

TOWN OF OSSIPEE NEW HAMPSHIRE



Grant Hall — Ossipee Historical Society Building

ANNUAL REPORT 1998

SELECTMEN OF OSSIPEE

Patricia H. Jones

Joseph G. Skehan, Jr.

Harry C. Merrow

PHONE LISTINGS

Ambulance / Fire / Rescue.....	911
Emergency Management Operations Center.....	539-2011
CAP (Community Action Program).....	539-4165
Courts	
Ossipee District Court.....	539-4561
Probate Court.....	539-4123
Superior Court.....	539-2201
OCC (Ossipee Concerned Citizens).....	539-6851
Senior Meals Program.....	539-6851
WIC Program.....	539-6821
Child Care / Preschool.....	539-6772
Police Department	
Ossipee.....	539-2011
Sheriff's Department.....	539-2284
Tamworth, Troop E Registry.....	323-8326
Schools	
Superintendent of Schools.....	569-1658
Ossipee Elementary.....	539-4589
Effingham Elementary.....	539-6032
Kingswood Middle School.....	569-3689
Kingswood High School.....	569-2055

*For additional phone
listings and office hours
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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the Town Officers

OSSIPEE New Hampshire

Tax Rates
\$24.40 per \$1,000.00
Ration 107%

<i>Unit of Government</i>	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Unit of Government</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Municipal	5.89	Ctr. Ossipee	1.46
County	.85	West Ossipee	1.77
School	17.66	Ossipee Corner	1.33

For the Fiscal Year Ending
December 31, 1998
Vital Statistics for 1998



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**DEDICATED TO
Ray M. Leavitt, Jr.**

Ray grew up in Quincy, Massachusetts, then attended Barrington Christian College in Rhode Island. While studying for his Bachelor's Degree, he met Betty, who he would marry during his Senior year. They have been together for forty years and during that time raised three children of whom they are most proud.

After College, Ray did an assortment of things. He pastored a church in Meriden, NH, then at two English speaking churches in Trinidad, West Indies. Ray then returned to his Alma Mater to manage the bookstore while serving as interim pastor for several area churches.

In 1989, Ray and Betty moved to Ossipee and accepted a part time position with the Barnstead Parade Congregational Church. He began attending the First Congregational Church of Ossipee and started a program involving visitations of seniors in hospitals, nursing homes, and at their private homes.

It was in October 1989, that Ray Leavitt started working part-time for the Town of Ossipee by recording minutes and performing duties for the various Boards and

Commissions. Additionally, he serves today as Deputy Moderator at Town Meetings and Elections, which entails a great abundance of "behind the scenes" activity. That our elections go "without a hitch" is in part a tribute to Ray.

For the last ten years, we have been fortunate to have such a hard-working individual on our team. It's his behind the scenes activities and 100% commitment, which is seen by the people he works with. Ray goes to the Town Hall every day to check the mail for the various committees. It is Ray who tends to matters while other Board members are at their workplaces. His presence has been critical to the functioning of any board he has served on. After meetings, it is Ray who stays late and completes the minutes. Smiles come to our faces when we hear the old manual typewriter churning out letters and minutes. He's been offered use of a computer, but you know the saying about old habits . . .

The Town of Ossipee is a better community because of Ray Leavitt. We have all come to rely on his steady pace and consistent service to not only the Moderator, Planning Board, Town Clerk and Conservation Commission, but to the greater community as well. Because of his services and dedication to the people of the Town of Ossipee, we are proud to dedicate this town report to Ray M. Leavitt, Jr.

1998 ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

Three Member Board of Selectmen

Joseph G. Skehan, Jr.	Term expires 3/99
Patricia H. Jones	Term expires 3/00
Harry C. Merrow	Term expires 3/01

Moderator

Donald N. Meader	Term expires 3/00
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Treasurer

Thomas L. Galante	Term expires 3/00
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Three Member Board of Trustees of Trust Funds

June C. Loud	Term expires 3/99
George F. Lynch	Term expires 3/00
Joan E. Bishop	Term expires 3/01

Three Member Board of Cemetery Trustees

Pamala S. Harvey	Term expires 3/99
Peter A. Olkkola	Term expires 3/00
Ernest Baker	Term expires 3/01

Five Member Board of Library Trustees

Mary E. Buswell	Term expires 3/99
Elizabeth S. Rouner	Term expires 3/99
John E. Fogarty III (Resigned 3/31/98)	Term expires 3/00
Wanda L. Rines (Resigned 6/26/98)	Term expires 3/00
Elizabeth H. Sanders (Appointed 5/11/98)	
Catherine D. Ziegler	Term expires 3/01

Six Member Board Budget Committee

Bruce E. Williams	Term expires 3/99
Keith J. Brown	Term expires 3/99
Mark E. Wright	Term expires 3/00
Beverly A. Loud	Term expires 3/00
Belinda W. Cullen, Chm.	Term expires 3/01
George H. Libby (Resigned 10/28/98)	Term expires 3/01
Ann L. Johnson (Appointed 10/28/98)	

Representatives

Bert Pendarvis	Ossipee Corner Light and Power
(Vacant)	West Ossipee
Sandra Drew	Center Ossipee
Harry C. Merrow	Selectmen's Representative

Three Member Board Supervisors of the Checklist

Priscilla E. Nudd	Term expires 3/00
Laurence M. Brownell	Term expires 3/02
Frances E. Pinkham	Term expires 3/04

Town Clerk/TaxCollector

Barbara R Adams Term Exp 3/2001

Six Member Planning Board

David L. Haag	Term expires 3/99
James F. Rines (Resigned 11/11/98)	Term expires 3/99
Bruce C. Morse	Term expires 3/00
Boyd "Bucky" Parker (Resigned 1/14/99)	Term expires 3/00
Gilbert C. Adams Jr., Chairman	Term expires 3/01
Ellis "Milton" Dow	Term expires 3/01
Ray M. Leavitt, Secretary	
Patricia H. Jones, Selectmen's Representative	

Three Member Water/Sewer Commission

(1998 First Year Elected Board)

Tyler B. Phillips Jr. (Appointed 5/18/98)	Term expires 3/99
Frederick E. Sawyer	Term expires 3/00
June C. Loud	Term expires 3/01

Five Member Zoning Board of Adjustment

(Third of Three-year Plan to Complete Elected Board)

Mark E. McConkey, Chairman	Term expires 3/99
David L. Babson Jr.	Term expires 3/99
Sandra P. Martin	Term expires 3/00
Joseph H. Deighan	Term expires 3/00
Stanley N. Brothers	Term expires 3/01
W. Robert Burton, Alternate	
Eleanor Prudholme, Secretary (Appt'd Alternate 1/12/99)	

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

Administrator

Thomas R. Gaydos

Assessing Department

Municipal Resources, Inc., (MRI)

Joseph Lessard, Assessor Barbara Ramsay, Technician

Board of Health

Thomas R. Gaydos, Administrator

Boat Tax Collectors

Barry Rollins, Ward's Boat Stephen Morrissey, Expo North

Chief of Police

Richard H. Morgan

Conservation Agent

John E. Smith

Seven Member Conservation Commission

Peter A. Olkkola, Chairman	Term expires 3/00
Greg C. Bossart	Term expires 3/99

Maria S. LaGuardia	Term expires 3/01
John E. Smith	Term expires 3/01
Ralph R. Buchanan Jr. Vice-chairman	Term expires 3/99
Thomas W. Dodge	Term expires 3/00
L. Randy Lyman	Term expires 3/99
Ray M. Leavitt, Alternate / Secretary	Term expires 3/01

Ossipee Dam Authority

John P. Picard, Chairman Leon P. Taylor, Town Rep. (Resigned)
Patricia H. Jones Joseph G. Skehan Harry C. Merrow

Dog Warden

James B. Elcock

Fire Department Chiefs

Center Ossipee - Roland C. Stockbridge
Ossipee - Robert C. Short Jr.
West Ossipee - Bradley W. Eldridge

Forest Fire Warden

Keith J. Brown John E. Smith, Deputy

Librarian

Lindalee Lambert (Resigned 1998)
Yvonne Fisher (Appointed 1998)

Mt. Washington Valley Economic Development

David L. Babson Patricia H. Jones, Alternate

Ossipee Economic Development

Patricia H. Jones

Ossipee Recreation Department

Peter J. Waugh, Director

Ossipee Rescue Advisory Committee

Richard H. Morgan, Chairman Roland C. Stockbridge
Bradley W. Eldridge W. Robert Burton

Water and Sewer Department

Roland C. Stockbridge, Superintendent

Zoning Enforcement Officer

Maurice "Bud" O'Donnell

Highway Foreman
Charles O'Sullivan

MINUTES OF OSSISPEE TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, March 11, 1998
(Abridged)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM my Moderator Donald Meader and we joined him with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roland Stockbridge gave the invocation with emphasis on our appreciation of the years with Rodney White. The Moderator expressed his appreciation for members who helped prepare for this meeting.

A tribute to Rodney White was read by our Moderator, followed by a moment of silence in his honor.

Rules of the meeting were read and the voter card explained. With no objections from the body, Marge Webster, non-voter, will speak on Article 15 and also Administrator Tom Gaydos will be speaking.

The Moderator introduced the Board of Selectmen, Administrator, and Town Clerk, while Belinda Cullen, Chairman of the Budget Committee introduced members present.

The result of Tuesday's Town and School elections were read and it was announced that the swearing in of new officers would be Monday, March 16, 1998 at 5:45 PM.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) to RECONSTRUCT BRIDGE NUMBER 235/133 GRANITE ROAD OVER THE PINE RIVER, provided the Town receives from the State, project funding approval with 80% of the project cost to be reimbursed by the State. (\$240,000.00 State reimbursement, \$60,000.00 Town share) (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)(Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 3 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) for use with Block Grant money to repair a portion of Chickville Road. Said sum to be expended only if what is earmarked for the project is insufficient, and any portion unused is to be returned to the taxpayers. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 4 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty six thousand dollars (\$36,000.00) for the purpose of removing and disposing of four underground fuel storage tanks and replacing three tanks and fuel distribution systems. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 5 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty two thousand dollars (\$32,000.00) for the purpose of paying down a note obligation of the Ossipee Housing Trust which is guaranteed by the Town of Ossipee. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 6 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund established pursuant to Article 13 of the 1995 Town Meeting for the purpose of

repairing State-owned roadways within the Town under a two for one matching State aid program and to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 7 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purchase and development of the property identified as lot 54 on Ossipee tax map 48, located at the corner of Main Street and Huckins Road in Center Ossipee and was formerly the site of the Center Ossipee Inn. The purpose is to reclaim the lot and create a park and parking area in the central part of the Center Ossipee Village. The project would be under the direction of the Conservation Commission. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded.

Vote to cease debate passed.

Hand count voted: Yes, 42 - No, 51

Article 8 DEFEATED

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purpose of funding the Town's share of the January, 1998 storm related expenses and to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 9 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purpose of repairing the Mill Pond Dam. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 10 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of making capital improvements and repairs to the Town Hall. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 11 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for the construction of a tennis court and soccer field at Constitution Park. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 12 PASSED AS READ

Joe Skehan motioned to not reconsider Article 3 through 12.

MOTION PASSED

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand forty six dollars (\$6,046.00) representing a twenty five percent (25%) match of a Federal Grant for the purpose of hiring a new Police Officer. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded.

Secret Ballot: Yes, 63 - No, 39

Article 13 PASSED AS READ

INTERIM

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three year lease-purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing a police cruiser, and to raise and appropriate the sum of forty nine hundred dollars (\$4,900.00) for the first years payment for that purpose. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)(Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 14 PASSED AS READ

Moderator announced the results of Article 13 Secret Ballot: Yes, 63 - No, 39

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million four hundred forty five thousand six hundred sixty four dollars (\$2,445,664.00) for general municipal operations. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded

Selectmen's Salaries.....	\$12,200.00
Town Clerk / Tax Department.....	88,814.00
Selectmen's Office.....	195,674.00
Trustee of Trust Funds.....	2,500.00
Election and Registration.....	5,200.00
Treasurer's Office.....	7,925.00
Dam Authority 4,400.00 (amended)	4,100.00
Legal	25,000.00
Planning Board	5,980.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	4,479.00
Zoning Officer.....	12,000.00
Government Buildings.....	55,000.00
Cemeteries.....	13,434.00
Insurance.....	140,000.00
Animal Control	7,505.00
Police Department 281,333 (amended)	278,333.00
Police Grant	19,405.00
Ambulance	61,000.00
Fire Warden.....	14,405.00
Rescue Squad	38,200.00
Highway Department	430,539.00
General Highway	36,000.00
Highway Block Grant	110,123.00
Street Lights	2,600.00
Incinerator	205,671.00
Health Department 53,902 (amended)	52,170.00
OCC.....	10,000.00
Wolfeboro VNA	20,882.00
CC Mental Health.....	4,188.00
CAP.....	8,500.00
Red Cross	500.00
Health Care	2,200.00
Ossipee Children's	3,000.00
Starting Point	500.00
Family Support Program	1,000.00
Ossipee Preschool	1,000.00
Library.....	67,430.00
Recreation	96,538.00

Welfare.....	20,000.00
Patriotic Purposes	700.00
Conservation Commission	1,700.00
Conservation Agent	2,000.00
Tax Anticipation Notes	20,000.00
Economic Development Committee	700.00
Long Term Debt - Principal	133,112.00
Long Term Debt - Interest	55,226.00
Water Department.....	133,510.00
Sewer Department.....	81,459.00

Vote on amended total PASSED - \$2,440,632.00

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) for the support of the Mount Washington Valley Economic Council. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 16 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund established pursuant to Article 18 of the 1997 Town Meeting for the purpose of computerizing the collection of Library materials and automating the circulation system of the Ossipee Public Library. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) (Majority vote required).

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 17 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Law, passed in 1976 which prevents the moving of waste into our town, by adding after the words "waste materials" the following: "excluding sawdust, wood shavings, bark mulch, wood slabs, and wood ash." (Submitted by Petition)(Majority vote required)

Article read, moved and seconded. Article 18 PASSED AS READ

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the Library for any public purpose, provided however, that no acceptance of personal property by the Library Trustees shall be deemed to bind the Town or the Library Trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property. (Majority vote required).

This article was not acted on as it was found to be voted on last year. Article 19 PASSED OVER

ARTICLE 20: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers thereto.

No response.

ARTICLE 21: To conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Moderator thanked Selectperson Sandra Martin for her three years of service to the Town of Ossipee.

There being no other business, the Moderator received motion to adjourn meeting and it was closed at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams, Town Clerk

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
COUNTY OF CARROLL, TOWN OF OSSIPEE
TOWN WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Ossipee in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Center Ossipee, in said Town of Ossipee on the second Tuesday in March next, being the 9th day of March, 1999 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 A.M.) of said day.

To act on the Articles, the polls to remain open until seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 P.M.) of said day.

ARTICLE 1: To elect all necessary officers Town Officers for the ensuing year as follows: to choose one (1) Selectman for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Trustee of the Cemetery for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Budget Committee Member for a term two (2) years; two (2) Budget Committee Members for a term of three (3) years, one (1) Library Trustee for a term of one (1) year; two (2) Library Trustees for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Planning Board Member for a term of one (1) year; two (2) Planning Board Members for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Zoning Board of Adjustment Members for a term of three (3) years; and one (1) Water & Sewer Commissioner for a term of three (3) years.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the government of the police of the Town of Ossipee be entrusted to a police commission? (Submitted by Petition)

YES NO

ARTICLE 3: If the Town of Ossipee shall vote in favor of the preceding article to establish a police commission, shall such police commission be chosen by (a) popular election at town elections or (b) appointment of the Governor with the consent of the Executive Council? (Submitted by Petition)

(a) Popular Election (b) Appointment of the Governor

ARTICLE 4: Polling hours in the Town of Ossipee are now eight o'clock in the morning (8:00 A.M.) to seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 P.M.). Shall we place a question of the state election ballot to change polling hours so that polls open at ten o'clock in the morning (10:00 A.M.) and close at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 P.M.) at all regular state elections beginning in the year 2000 ?

YES NO

You are notified to meet at the Town Hall on the second Wednesday of March next, being the 10th day of March, 1999, at 6:30 o'clock in the evening (6:30 P.M.) to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$41,800.00) for the purpose of paying down a note obligation of the Ossipee Housing Trust which is guaranteed by the Town of Ossipee. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for the purpose of repairing, upgrading, and maintaining Town roads. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee 4-2) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of reimbursing the Town of Tamworth for costs associated with the repairs to the Lake Road located in that Town. (Submitted by Petition) (Not Recommended by Selectmen, 2-1) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Highway Equipment, established by Article 19 of the 1993 Town Meeting, said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal (estimated to be \$13,600.00) to be transferred to the municipal general fund. (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of acquiring a front end loader and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand six hundred dollars (\$13,600.00) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This appropriation will be offset by general fund revenue in an amount equal to the discontinued Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of acquiring a one ton highway plow truck complete with plow, dump body and sander and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand nine hundred dollars (\$13,900.00) for the first year's payment for that purpose. (Not Recommended by Selectmen, 2-1) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 5-1) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of removing and disposing of four underground fuel storage tanks and replacing two tanks and fuel distribution system. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into two - three year lease purchase agreements for the purpose of acquiring two police cruisers to replace a 1995 Chevrolet Caprice and a 1996 Chevrolet Lumina, and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand one hundred nine dollars (\$13,109.00) for the first year's payments for that purpose. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty eight thousand eight hundred fifteen dollars (\$28,815.00) for the purpose of purchasing a Utility Truck for the Ossipee Rescue Service. (Not Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.00) for the purpose of acquiring and installing a networked computer system for the police department. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 15: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven

thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) to be combined with a matching amount from the Conservation Commission Fund, for a total appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purchase and development of the property identified as lot 54 on Ossipee tax map 48, located at the corner of Main Street and Huckins Road in Center Ossipee and was formerly the site of the Center Ossipee Inn. The purpose is to reclaim the lot and create a park and parking area in the central part of the Center Ossipee Village. The project would be under the direction of the Conservation Commission. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) for the purpose of removal and disposal of the old Mill Pond electrical generating building along with the connecting water pipe. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of funding the Ossipee Historical Society in their effort to preserve historical Ossipee artifacts. (Submitted by Petition) (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 18: To see if the meeting will approve of the additional cost items contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and AFSCME Local 534 covering the period between April 1, 1999 and March 31, 2002; those additional cost items totaling fifteen thousand seven hundred eighty dollars (\$15,780.00) in the first contract year; eleven thousand nine hundred twenty seven dollars (\$11,927.00) in the second contract year; and nine thousand six hundred forty eight dollars (\$9,648.00) in the third contract year; and to make appropriation for the additional cost items of fifteen thousand seven hundred eighty dollars (\$15,780.00) in said first year. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee 5-0-1) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million four hundred seventy thousand ninety two dollars (\$2,470,092.00) for general municipal operations. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority Vote Required) (Budget Committee Recommendation, when different than Selectmen's, appears to the right of Selectmen's recommendation)

	Selectmen	Budget Com.
Selectmen's Salaries	\$12,200.00	
Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Office.....	99,807.00	
Election & Registration	4,588.00	
Treasurer	7,925.00	
Selectmen's Office.....	204,266.00	
Economic Development	1,750.00	
Dam Authority	4,800.00	
Legal Expenses	20,000.00	
Planning Board	5,964.00	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	4,260.00	
Government Buildings.....	60,900.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	3,100.00	
Cemeteries	14,434.00	
Insurance	149,233.00	

Police Department	309,894.00	
COPS Grant	11,036.00	
Animal Control	7,505.00	
Fire Warden	15,663.00	
Zoning Enforcement	12,000.00	
Highway Department	457,679.00	
General Highway Expense	40,000.00	
Street Lighting	2,600.00	
Incinerator	207,121.00	
Health Department	51,197.00	\$50,697.00
Rescue Squad	45,600.00	44,100.00
Ambulance Service	61,000.00	
Welfare	22,000.00	
Recreation Department	99,958.00	
Library.....	73,582.00	
Patriotic Purposes	700.00	
Conservation Commission.....	1,700.00	0.00
Conservation Agent.....	2,000.00	
Long Term Notes - Principal.....	149,564.00	
Long Term Notes - Interest	49,087.00	
Tan Anticipation Note Interest.....	20,000.00	
Water Department.....	136,962.00	
Sewer Department.....	100,017.00	
TOTAL	\$2,470,092.00	\$2,466,392.00

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for maintenance and repairs to Town Hall. (Approved by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for improvements to Constitution Park and the YMCA Field. (Approved by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 4-2) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to twenty one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00) to computerize the collection of Library materials and automate the circulation system of the Ossipee Public Library and to authorize the withdrawal of up to twenty one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund established for that purpose by Article 18 of the 1997 Town Meeting. (Recommended by Selectmen, 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee, 6-0) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to turn Duncan Lake Road into a Scenic Road according to New Hampshire Statutes Title XX., Transportation Chapter 231:157 Cities, Towns and Village District Highways Scenic Roads Designation. (Submitted by Petition) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to designate the entirety of Circuit Road, located in the Granite section of Ossipee, a Scenic Road in accordance with RSA 231:157. Such designation would require a Public Hearing before the Planning Board prior to any cutting of trees or removal of stone walls except in the case of emergency. (Submitted by Petition) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify a portion of the Marble

Road, presently a Town road Class VI to a Class V road, beginning at the residence of Bernie White, and proceeding westerly a distance of .4 miles to the junction of the road along White Brook, where there is a turnaround. (Submitted by Petition) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to maintain the previous status quo of Elm Street Extension (prior to April 1st of 1997) until proper classification of the road is legally determined and surveyed. (The Town of Ossipee has not maintained this road on any level since accepted as a subdivision road in 1976). (Submitted by Petition) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to limit the weight of any vehicle using Elm Street Extension to six (6) tons. (Submitted by Petition) (Majority Vote Required).

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify the entirety of Thompson Mill Road from a Class V Town road to a Class VI Town road. (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue approximately 185 feet of Newman Drew Road consisting of approximately .15 acre located at its intersection with Route 16, and further to authorize the Selectmen, for nominal consideration, to convey title, by quitclaim deed, in the discontinued road bed to one or more of the abutters thereto. (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to convey by quitclaim deed a narrow strip of land lying on and between property of Courthouse Square Realty Trust (Tax Map 57, Lot 16) on the easterly side of the traveled portion of Old Route 28 to Courthouse Square Realty Trust, subject to flowage rights of the Town and the rights of the Town to maintain Old Route 28 and catch basins, culverts, and the like. (Submitted by Selectmen) (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to abandon and/or convey by quitclaim deed for nominal consideration all of its property interests, if any, in and to the old Ossipee Water System inlet station and dam on property located on Valley Road as shown on Ossipee Tax Map 8, Lot 92. (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 32: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers thereto.

ARTICLE 33: To conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 8th day of February, 1999

The Board of Selectmen, Town of Ossipee

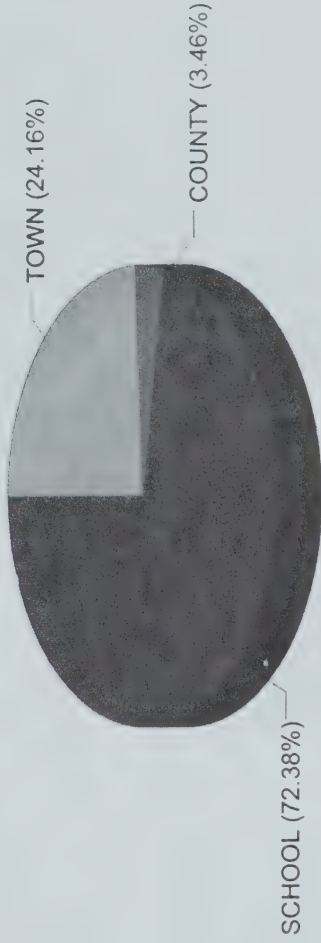
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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, CARROLL SS:

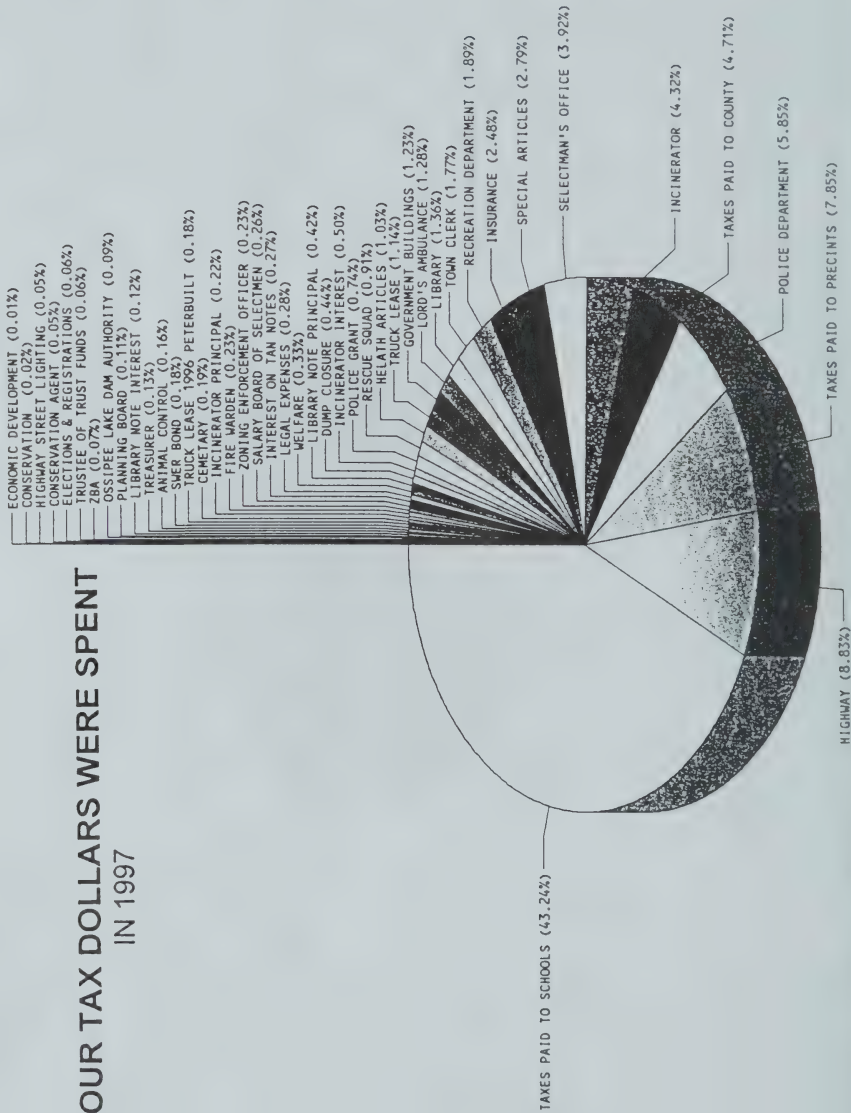
Personally appeared the within named Joseph G. Skehan, Jr., Patricia H. Jones, and Harry C. Merrow, known to me to be the Selectmen of the Town of Ossipee, and made oath that the foregoing statements by the subscribed, are true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

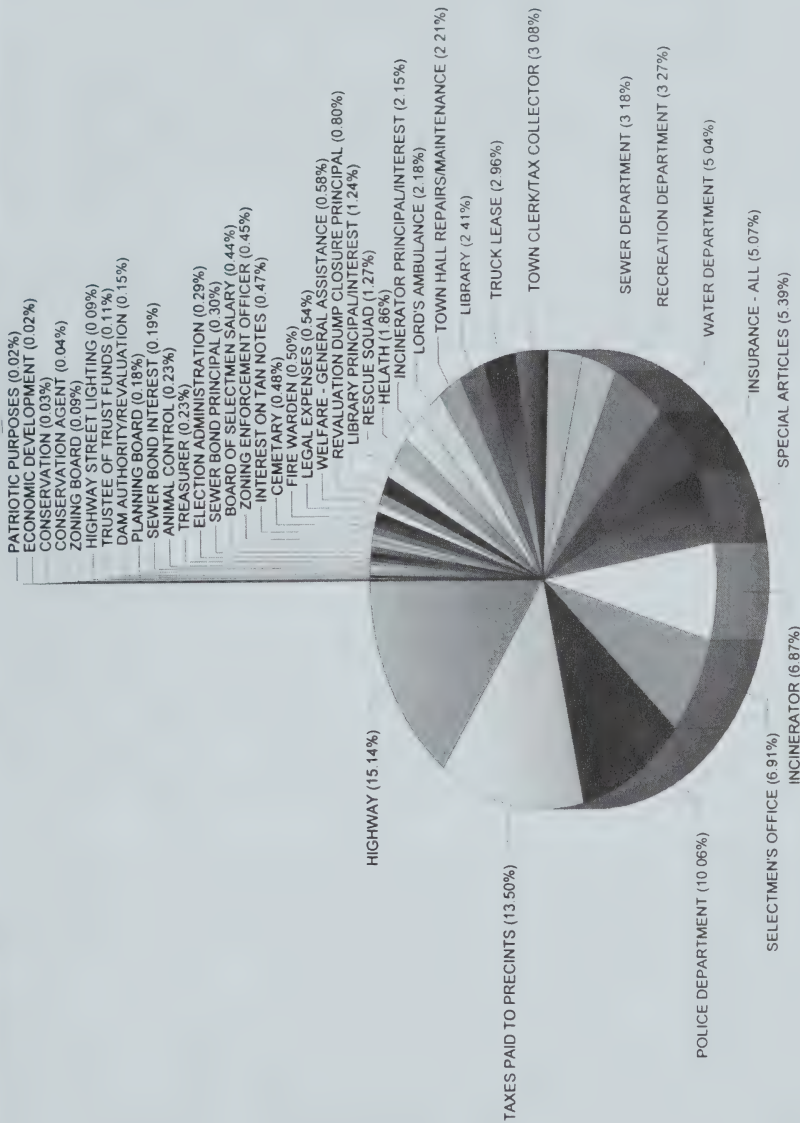
Before me,
Martha B. Eldridge
Justice of the Peace

WHERE YOUR TAX DOLLARS WENT IN 1998



HOW YOUR TAX DOLLARS WERE SPENT IN 1997





HOW YOUR TAX DOLLARS WERE SPENT IN 1998

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Ossipee as of and for the year ended December 31, 1998 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.

Except as discussed in the following paragraphs, we conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Government Accounting Standards Board Technical Bulletin 98-1, *Disclosures about the Year 2000 Issues*, requires disclosure of certain matters regarding the year 2000 issue. The Town of Ossipee has included such disclosures in the Notes to Financial Statements. Because of the unprecedented nature of the year 2000 issue, its effects and the success of related remediation efforts will not be fully determinable until the year 2000 and thereafter. Accordingly, insufficient audit evidence exists to support the Town of Ossipee's disclosures with respect to the year 2000 issue made in the Notes to Financial Statements. Further we do not provide assurance that the Town of Ossipee is or will be year 2000 ready, that the Town of Ossipee's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the Town of Ossipee does business will be year 2000 ready.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Ossipee has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. 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, along with the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to examine evidence regarding year 2000 disclosures, as noted above, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Ossipee, as of December 31, 1998, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our

report dated February 10, 1999 on our consideration of the Town of Ossipee's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations contracts and grants.

Our audit was made for the propose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Ossipee taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules 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 Ossipee. 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.

February 10, 1999

Gregory A. Colby, CPA
PŁODZIK & SANDERSON
Professional Association

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

(NOTE: This information was omitted in error from the 1996 report)

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

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Ossipee for the year ended December 31, 1995, 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.

During the course of our review, the following conditions were noted that were considered to be material weaknesses as defined above:

GENERAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

A cursory review of the Town's general ledger and financial reports disclosed a significant number of classification errors that were not detected in the normal course of operations by accounting or management personnel. For example, transfers to and from the capital reserve funds were netted against expenditure accounts causing credit balances in those accounts. Also, balance sheet accounts were not in balance with the Treasurer and Tax Collector records.

While much effort has been made to reconcile accounts during the year, the bookkeeper requires close supervision in order to recognize unusual variances or the lack of recorded information. To assist the Town, we spent considerable time developing a checklist of items that were to be reconciled in connection with the production of monthly financial reports which were to be prepared and sent to us for review.

Further attention of management is required in order to establish clear priorities and expectations of accounting personnel and to monitor financial information. We are happy to continue to provide management and accounting

support as needed. However, with the growing complexities associated with grants received, the Town must be aware of the continuing weaknesses in its accounting system.

WATER PROJECT - GRANT ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND ACCOUNTS NOT IN THE CUSTODY OF THE TOWN TREASURER

During the course of our audit, it became apparent that only a portion of the activity for the water project was recorded on the Town's accounting system. Activity relating to a line of credit was not booked. We assisted the bookkeeper in recording this activity so that 1996 beginning balances were correct and have recommended that all project activity be recorded in the future. To facilitate this process, an appropriate system should be developed to communicate all transaction data to accounting personnel. We recommend that all project activity be recorded on the Town's accounting system, including overall project and grant budgets so that accounting records are supportive of financial reports made to selectmen, grant administrators and oversight agencies.

Upon further review of the line of credit activity, it was noted that the Selectmen were authorizing payments from the line of credit and that the Treasurer was not involved in these transactions. As with other Town Funds, only the Treasurer should be allowed to have custody of line assets and to authorize the disbursement of funds with the approval of the Selectmen. This situation is a significant weakness in internal accounting controls and potentially a violation of State Laws. Appropriate action should be taken immediately to change the line of credit authorizing only the Treasurer to disburse funds.

Also, the following conditions were noted that we do not consider to be material weaknesses:

PRECINCT PAYMENTS

In reconciling precinct payments, auditors noted that the Town had paid the precincts in excess of their net appropriations. Also, prior year overpayments were not taken into consideration when paying current year assessments over to the precincts. As a result, some \$18,000 is due back to the Town at December 31, 1995. We reviewed our findings with accounting personnel and have recommended that these findings be taken into consideration in making 1996 payments to the precincts.

PUBLICATION OF AUDIT MANAGEMENT LETTER

The auditor's management letter was not published in the 1994 Town Report as required by RSA 21-J:21. Both the current and prior year letters should therefore be published in the current year's report.

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.

January 31, 1996

Plodzick & Sanderson Professional Association

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

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

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Ossipee as of and for the year ended December 31, 1998, and have issued our report thereon which was qualified as indicated therein dated February 10, 1999. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurances about whether the Town of Ossipee's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants; noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Ossipee's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements 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. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of the management and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

February 10, 1999

Gregory A. Colby, CPA,
PLODZIK & SANDERSON
Professional Association

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT, 1998

DEBITS

	<i>Levy for 1998</i>	<i>Prior Levy (1997)</i>	<i>(1996)</i>
UNCOLLECTED TAXES			
BEGINNING OF YEAR			
Property Taxes		\$892,713.80	
Yield Taxes		9,792.87	
Utilities	\$7,809.25		
TAXES COMMITTED			
THIS YEAR			
Property Taxes	\$6,506,992.00	56.00	
Yield Taxes	109,569.74	3,858.77	
Utilities	188,212.37		
Adjustment		208.00	
OVERPAYMENT			
Property Taxes	\$6,705.24	\$322.15	\$6.45
Utilities	247.00		
Collect. Interest, Late Taxes	7,160.69	64,954.55	
Penalties (Utilities)	1,695.00		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$6,828,391.29	\$971,906.14	\$6.45

CREDITS

	<i>Levy for 1998</i>		<i>1997</i>
REMITTED TO TREASURER			
Property Taxes	\$5,630,930.71		\$890,982.80
Yield Taxes	79,218.97		13,342.80
Utilities	172,927.28		
Interest	7,160.69		64,954.55
Penalties (Utilities)	805.00		
Conversion to Lien (Utilities)	3,439.50		
ABATEMENTS MADE			
Property Taxes	\$9,129.66		1,787.00
Resident Taxes (Adjustment)			208.00
Yield Taxes	981.54		308.84
Utilities	1,343.42		
Overpaid	6,705.24		322.15
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	2,720.00		
UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR			
Property Taxes	\$864,211.63		
Yield Taxes	29,369.23		
Utilities	19,448.42		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$6,828,391.29		\$971,906.04

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF OSSISPEE

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999

Purpose of Appropriation (Warrant Article)	Approved Appropriation 1998	Actual Expenditures 1998	Selectmen's Budget 1999	Budget Committee Recommended Not Recommended 1999 1999
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Executive	\$299,188	\$295,914	\$319,373	\$319,373
Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	5,200	8,171	4,588	4,588
Financial Administration	7,925	6,512	7,925	7,925
Legal Expense	29,100	18,976	24,800	24,800
Planning & Zoning	22,459	20,164	22,224	22,224
General Government Buildings	55,000	62,027	60,900	60,900
Cemeteries	13,434	13,387	14,434	14,434
Insurance	140,000	138,068	149,233	149,233
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police	305,243	326,520	328,435	328,435
Ambulance	61,000	61,000	61,000	61,000
Fire	14,405	14,000	15,663	15,663
Other (Incl. Communications)	38,200	35,755	46,600	44,100
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				\$1,500
Highways & Streets	576,662	545,772	497,679	497,679
Street Lighting	2,600	2,637	2,600	2,600
SANITATION				
Solid Waste Disposal	205,671	192,433	207,121	207,121
HEALTH AND WELFARE				
Health Agencies & Hops. & Other	52,170	52,170	51,197	50,697
Administration & Direct Assistance	20,000	16,158	22,000	22,000
CULTURE AND RECREATION				
Parks & Recreation	96,538	91,544	99,958	99,958

Library	67,430	67,430	73,582	73,582
Patriotic Purposes	700	556	700	700
CONSERVATION				
Administration & Purch. of Nat. Resources	1,700	1,027	1,700	0
Other Conservation	2,000	914	2,000	2,000
Economic Development	700	613	1,750	1,750
DEBT SERVICE				
Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	133,112	132,435	149,564	149,564
Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes	55,225	53,918	49,087	49,087
Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	20,000	13,089	20,000	20,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT				
To Enterprise Fund - Sewer	81,459	88,975	100,017	100,017
To Enterprise Fund - Water	133,510	141,296	136,962	136,962
SUBTOTAL 1	\$2,440,631	\$2,401,461	\$2,470,092	\$3,700

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Purpose of Appropriation	Prior Yr.	Actual expenditure	Selectmens Appropriations recommended	Budget Committee recommended not recommended
SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES 1998				
State Highway Match (7)	\$25,000	\$25,000		
Library Automation (17)	1,000	1,000		
SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES 1999				
Tamworth Reimburse (7)			\$5,000	\$5,000
Historical Society (17)		\$1,000		\$1,000
Library Automation (22)		2,100		2,100
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED	\$26,000	\$26,000	\$5,000	\$5,000

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Purpose of Appropriation	Prior Yr.	Actual expenditure	Selectmens recommended	Appropriations not recommended	Budget Committee recommended not recommended
INDIVID. WARRANT ARTICLES 1998					
Granite Bridge (3)	\$300,000.00				
Chickville Road (4)	40,000.00	\$34,661.20			
Fuel Tank Replacement (5)	36,000.00	2,482.00			
Housing Trust (6)	32,000.00	45,487.60			
Ice Storm Expense (9)	15,000.00	15,000.00			
Mill Pond Dam Repair (10)	15,000.00	14,696.10			
Town Hall ADA (11)	10,000.00	7,674.34			
Constitution Park (12)	10,000.00	12,238.50			
COPS Grant (13)	6,046.00	6,046.00			
Police Cruiser Lease (14)	4,900.00	4,900.00			
Economic Development (16)	1,200.00	1,200.00			
INDIVID. WARRANT ARTICLE 1999					
Housing Trust (5)			\$41,800.00		\$41,800.00
Town Roads (6)			250,000.00		250,000.00
Front-End Loader (9)			13,600.00		13,600.00
One-Ton Truck (10)				\$13,900.00	13,900.00
Fuel Tank Replacement (11)			30,000.00		30,000.00
Police Cruiser Lease (12)			13,109.00		13,109.00
Rescue Utility Truck (13)				28,815.00	28,815.00
Police Computer (14)					
Land Purchase (15)			9,000.00		9,000.00
Mill Pond Clean-up			15,000.00		15,000.00
Labor Agreement (18)			6,000.00		6,000.00
Town Hall Repairs (20)			15,780.00		15,780.00
Constitution and Y Field (21)			10,000.00		10,000.00
			10,000.00		10,000.00
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED	\$470,146.00	\$144,385.74	\$414,289.00	\$42,715.00	\$413,189.00
					\$43,815.00

SOURCE OF REVENUE

Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year
TAXES			
Land Use Change Taxes	\$1,500		\$114,000
Timber Taxes	75,000	\$113,120	600
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	1,500		
Int. & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	204,300	165,385	176,000
Excavation Tax (\$.02/cu. yd)			35,000
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	375,000	427,824	440,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	28,830	35,343	36,000
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenues	94,000	94,000	94,000
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	36,000	36,000	36,000
Highway Block Grant	107,165	110,113	111,000
State & Fed. Forest Land Reimbursement	6,847	6,847	6,800
Other (Including Railroad Tax)	950	799	600
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	81,999	95,118	103,900
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Sale of Municipal Property	35,000	13,488	15,000
Interest on Investments	12,000	12,188	12,200
Other	45,000	50,911	51,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			
From Enterprise Funds - Sewer (Offset)	81,459	88,975	100,017
From Enterprise Funds - Water (Offset)	133,510	141,296	136,962
From Capital Reserve Funds			2,100
From Trust & Agency Funds			7,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$1,320,060	\$1,391,407	\$1,478,679

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Selectmen	Budget Committee
Appropriations Recommended		
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$2,470,092	\$2,466,392
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	3,100	3,100
	414,289	413,189
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED	\$2,887,481	\$2,882,681
Less Estimated Revenues & Credits	1,478,679	1,478,679
ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$1,408,802	\$1,404,002

— TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS —

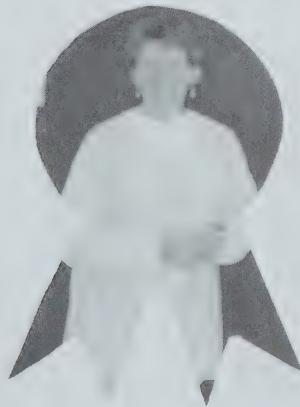
DEBITS

	<i>Levy for 1998</i>	<i>Levy 1997</i>	<i>Levy 1996</i>	<i>Prior</i>
Unredeemed Liens beginning of year			\$294,517.39	\$173,358.83
Liens Executed During Year	\$448,728.92			
Interest & Costs Collected after Lien Execution		9,467.00	27,498.85	56,272.60
Utilities		3,491.50		
TOTAL DEBIT	\$461,687.42		\$322,016.24	\$229,631.43

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:				
Redemptions	\$148,759.02	\$126,803.40	\$148,574.73	
Interest & Costs Collected after Lien Execution		9,467.00	27,498.85	56,272.60
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	1,794.30	1,013.31	10,779.40	
Liens Deeded to Municipality	6,507.01	5,899.94	11,358.88	
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year		295,160.09	160,800.74	2,645.82
TOTAL CREDITS	\$461,687.42		\$322,016.24	\$229,631.43

Barbara R. Adams
Tax Collector



10th Anniversary
Trish Hodge

REPORT OF THE TAX DEPARTMENT

1998

Thanks to insurance coverage, we installed new computer equipment to replace units damaged by the electrical storm last September. The transition was not easy, as it came with the up-and-coming Windows 98 program that meant frustrating self-training.

In January we will be upgrading our tax software to prevent the Year 2000 dilemma. The new program will offer improved reports and information. We hope learning the new program goes smoothly.

One tax change in 1998 involved the deeding process. Property owners now have up to a three-year period to purchase their deeded property back. The town can sell, lease, or rent the property within the three years, but former owners must be given notice prior to selling. Of course, this comes with substantial penalty and fees, but the opportunity is there.

As you will note below, tax billing is up and tax liens have declined. This is primarily due to more individuals escrowing their taxes and mortgage companies following up on unpaid accounts. We continue to hear about credit agencies searching the Registry of Deeds for liens and attaching them to individuals' credit histories. More often than not the history will stay on the record for two or three years *after* it is paid.

Overall, in spite of power blackouts, equipment damage, and learning curves, Tracy, Trish, and I survived 1998.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams, Tax Collector

TAX BILLING HISTORY

Year	Taxes Billed	Parcels Liened	Amount (Prin. only)
1988	\$3,561,633.17	324	\$204,596.12
1989	\$4,150,387.86	415	\$335,401.92
1990	\$5,003,752.21	473	\$487,744.40
1991	\$5,353,022.63	541	\$566,466.62
1992	\$4,934,869.00	525	\$526,086.05
1993	\$5,176,996.00	469	\$505,069.58
1994	\$5,382,628.45	463	\$540,699.74
1995	\$5,704,118.00	428	\$440,640.97
1996	\$5,670,781.00	464	\$467,726.70
1997	\$6,234,204.00	423	\$411,544.84

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION, 1998

	1998 Assessed Valuation	Ctr. Ossipee	W. Ossipee	Ossipee Cor.
Value of Land Only				
Current Use (21,162 acres)	\$1,973,214	\$494,825	\$540,009	\$938,380
Residential (15,159 acres)	79,610,000	43,720,000	14,505,500	21,384,500
Commercial/Industrial (3,605 acres)	12,754,700	3,445,900	4,621,700	4,687,100
Total of Taxable Land	\$94,337,914	\$47,660,725	\$19,667,209	\$27,009,980
Tax Exempt and Non-taxable (\$6,725,400)				
Value of Buildings Only				
Residential	\$119,518,400	\$51,609,600	\$33,489,900	\$34,418,900
Manufactured Housing (RSA 674:31)	9,428,800	3,438,500	3,306,500	2,683,800
Commercial/Industrial	24,743,400	7,102,600	6,926,600	10,714,200
Total of Taxable Buildings	\$153,690,600	62,150,700	43,723,000	47,816,900
Tax Exempt and Non-taxable (\$12,139,600)				
Public Utilities				
Electric (and other)	\$6,328,400	\$2,202,494	\$1,935,428	\$2,190,478
Valuation before Exemptions	\$254,356,914	\$112,013,919	\$65,325,637	\$77,017,358
Blind Exemption (2 @ \$15,000)	30,000	(1) 15,000		(1) 15,000
Elderly Exemption (85 @ various amounts)	2,440,000	(35) 1,090,000		(29) 830,000
Physically Handicapped Exemption (2, various)	20,518	(1) 19,500		(1) 1,018
Solar/Windpower Exemption (2 @ \$1,500)	3,000			(2) 3,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions				
Ossipee (\$2,493,518) \$2,277,418* (* Exemptions > Value = \$216,100)				
Ctr. Ossipee (\$1,124,500) \$1,029,600* (* Exemptions > Value = \$94,900)				
West Ossipee (\$520,000) \$469,000* (* Exemption > Value = \$51,000)				
Ossipee Corner (\$849,018) \$778,818* (* Exemption > Value = \$70,200)				
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$252,079,496	\$110,984,319	\$64,856,637	\$76,238,540

REVENUES RECEIVED IN LIEU OF TAXES

State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land	\$2,455
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TAX CREDITS

	Limits	Number	Est. Tax
Disabled Veterans	\$700/\$1,400	15	\$21,000
Other War Service Credits	\$50/\$100	270	27,000
Vet. (2@200 & 1@50)		<u>3</u>	<u>450</u>
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		288	\$48,450

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT

Age	Number	Amount	Total
65-74	37	\$20,000	\$740,000
75-79	22	\$30,000	660,000
80+	<u>26</u>	\$40,000	<u>1,040,000</u>
TOTAL	85		\$2,440,000

ELECTRIC, GAS, & PIPELINE COMPANY

Boston/Maine RR	\$67,000
NE Telephone	316,600
NH Electric Cooperative	2,234,300
Public Service of NH	<u>3,710,500</u>
TOTAL	\$6,328,400

CURRENT USE REPORT

Farm Land	527 acres
Forest Land	19,963 acres
Unproductive Land	13 acres
Wetland	<u>659 acres</u>
TOTAL	21,162 acres

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT

Farm, forest, unproductive land and wetlands receiving assessment	00.00
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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
Voted by the Town of Ossipee - 1998

<i>Purpose of Appropriation</i>	<i>Warrant Article(s)</i>	<i>Amount</i>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Executive	15	\$20,125
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	15	5,200
Financial Administration	15	286,988
Legal Expense	15	25,000
Planning & Zoning	15	22,459
General Government Buildings	15	55,000
Cemeteries	15	13,434
Insurance	15	140,000
Other General Government	15	4,100
PUBLIC SAFETY		
Police	13, 15	303,784
Ambulance		99,200
Fire		14,405
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		
Highways and Streets	4,7,9,15	656,662
Bridges	3	300,000
Street Lighting		2,600
SANITATION		
Administration		205,671
HEALTH		
Pest Control	15	7,505
Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	15	52,170
WELFARE		
Administration & Direct Assistance		20,000
CULTURE AND RECREATION		
Parks & Recreation	15	96,538
Library	15,17	68,430
Patriotic Purposes	15	700
CONSERVATION		
Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources	15	3,700
REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING		
	6	32,000
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
	15,16	1,900
DEBT SERVICE		
Princ. Long Term Bonds & Notes		133,112
Interest Long Term Bonds & Notes	15	55,226
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	15	20,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
Land & Improvements	12	10,000
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	5,14	40,900
Buildings	11	10,000
Improvements other than Buildings	10	15,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		
To Enterprise Fund - Sewer	15	81,459
To Enterprise Fund - Water	15	<u>133,510</u>
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		\$2,936,778

1998 TOWN CLERK REPORT

Item	Transactions	Total
Automobile Decals	3,235	\$6,470.00
Registrations	5,679	419,897.50
Titles	740	1,480.00
Boat Taxes	50	26,272.66
Certified Copies	222	1,650.00
Dog - Late Fees	252	252.00
Officer Fines	8	196.50
Registrations	716	4,715.00
Fax Charges	2	4.00
Filing Fees	6	8.00
Interest, Checking Tax/Clerk		1,613.96
Misc. - Returned Checks, etc.		- 539.00
Photocopies & Supplies	70	247.91
Pole License	1	10.00
Postage Receipts	7	20.32
Returned Check Charges & Fees	7	119.62
UCC Filings	205	3,297.00
Wedding Applications	35	1,575.00
Wetland Applications	7	70.00
TOTAL	11,242	\$467,360.47

Notes from the Clerk's Office . . .

A great election staff assisted us through a busy year with two Primary Elections, Town/School, and General Election.

In October we presented a certificate to Trish Hodge commending her ten years service to our town.

The State will be issuing new passenger number plates in 1999. In light of this change, as of October, our office staff has been trained and equipped to issue passenger, trailer, tractor, and motorcycle plates. This service costs \$2.50, or you may save the fee and go to Tamworth for your plates. In 1998 we issued over 3,000 decals, which added \$6,000 to the town income.

The town report binding project is doing well. Mark Winkley has spent many hours sorting and locating missing books. Our completed sets go back to 1880. The hunt is on; we are missing the following books: 1861-1879, with the exception of 1877. We have 1859 and 1860, so we presume there were editions printed between 1861-1879. If you have any of these, we would like to duplicate them to complete our set.

Once again, Trish Hodge, Tracy Hartwell, and I thank you for your support.

Barbara R. Adams
Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT
Reconciliation of Cash Books and Bank Balances
Year Ending December 31, 1998

GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand January 1, 1998	\$139,632.81
Receipts During Year	<u>12,967,155.26</u>
	\$13,106,788.07
Less Disbursements 1998	<u>12,929,921.63</u>
Balance in Account December 31, 1998	\$176,866.44

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

Balance in Account December 31, 1998	\$926,055.73
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TOTAL OF CASH BALANCES	\$1,102,922.17
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PROOF OF BALANCES

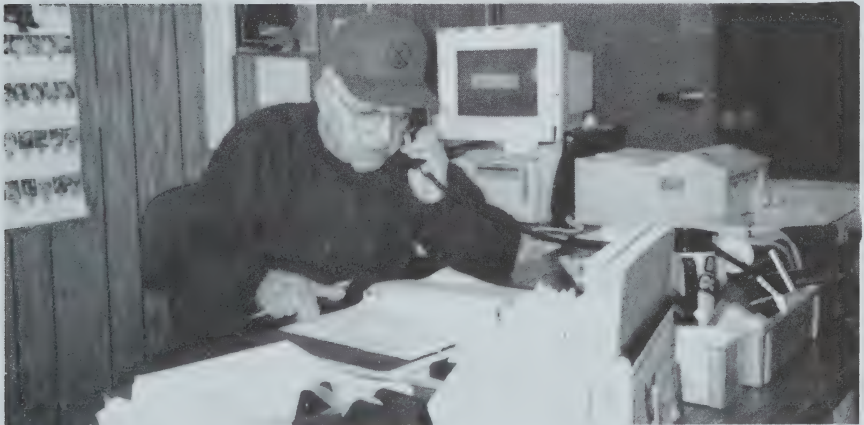
BALANCES OF ACCOUNTS

BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Balance on Hand Gen. Checking Acct.	\$143,103.05
Add Deposits in Transit	<u>69,221.42</u>
	\$212,324.47
Less Outstanding Checks	<u>35,458.03</u>
Balance Checking Account Dec. 31, 1998	<u>\$176,866.44</u>
Balance Money Market Account	926,055.73

TOTAL OF RECONCILED BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 1998	\$1,102,922.17
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Respectfully submitted,
 Thomas L. Galante, Treasurer
 Elizabeth Gliesman, Deputy Treasurer



1998 REPORT OF THE OSS�PEE CEMETERY COMMISSION

The Ossipee Cemetery Commission had a busy year. I would like to thank Nan Egan for the time that she put into helping with the cemeteries. I would like to welcome a new member, Pamela Harvey, to the commission.

Major work was done at two of the cemeteries: the one behind Ames Department Store on Route 28 and a cemetery on Route 16 in the Ossipee Corner section of town. Repair and realigning of some stones was done, as well as other types of work to over twenty-five stones. This work was done at the Water Village Cemetery, Route 171. I would like to thank Ralph Brownell and Frank Riley for their help in laying out the lots in that cemetery. Throughout the town there are at least one hundred more stones that need to be repaired. Some stones are beyond repair; the commission is looking for ways to mark these sites. This is a costly project, but one that needs to be done.

The Cemetery Commission would like to get the townspeople involved in an "adopt a cemetery" program in the coming year.

Respectfully,
Peter A. Olkkola, Chairman
Ossipee Cemetery Commission



This photo of the Chickville Meeting House was taken looking through the "old section" of Chickville cemetery. Today, a newer section of the cemetery is located to the right of the church.

Photo courtesy of Longpre

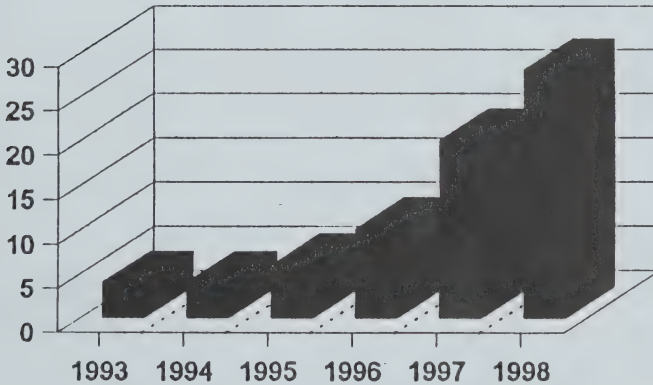
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 1998 Annual Report

On this and the following pages you will find the report of the trust funds of the Town of Ossipee. We list the basic funds, their principal and interests amounts, and the income and expenditures of those funds. We include all trusts and capital reserve funds that have been placed in the hands of the trustees.

In order to protect the funds to the full coverage of the FDIC (maximum of \$100,000) we maintain accounts in two local savings institutions and the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Program. In general, the funds are placed in savings accounts, certificates of deposit, money market funds, and U. S. treasury bills. The funds with PDIP are spread among strong mutual fund investment portfolios.

In 1998, \$28,000 was distributed to Ossipee students graduating from high school and going on to college. Also, \$10,000 was distributed to the Ossipee cemetery trustees for cemetery maintenance.

Title of Chart



The above chart represents the change in the distribution of funds from the Lyford Merrow Scholarship Fund. In the years prior to 1995, the fund distribution was handled by a large banking institution. From 1995 to the present, the fund has been handled by your trustees of trust funds, and as you can see, more students have been helped in a more positive way as they seek higher education.

Your trustees will continue to pursue a safe and proper plan for action for the Town of Ossipee and its citizens.

George F. Lynch, Chairman
June Loud, Trustee
Joan Bishop, Trustee

**TOWN OF OSS�PEE TRUST FUNDS - SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL, INCOME, AND INVESTMENTS
for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1998**

	PRINCIPAL			INTEREST			Total Principal & income
	Beginning Balance	Income	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Ending Balance	
NON EXPENDABLE TRUSTS							
Cemeteries	\$74,410.96	\$2,560.12	\$76,971.08	\$25,966.10	\$3,175.66	\$18,891.76	\$95,862.84
Library Funds	1,312.53	0.00	1,312.53	351.84	60.40	412.24	1,724.77
Meeting Houses	597.50	0.00	597.50	1,841.16	14.68	1,855.84	2,453.34
High School Funds	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,239.55	92.06	1,331.61	3,331.61
TOTAL COMMON FUND	\$78,320.99	\$2,560.12	\$80,881.11	\$29,398.65	\$3,342.80	\$22,491.45	\$103,372.56
Lyford Merrow Scholarship "A"	\$100,000.00	0.00	\$100,000.00	\$16,631.38	\$5,687.55	\$22,318.93	\$122,318.93
Lyford Merrow Scholarship "B"	462,530.23	0.00	462,530.23	63,538.75	27,794.46	67,333.21	529,863.44
Lyford Merrow Scholarship "C"	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,018.00	25,000.00	17,243.00	17,243.00
TOTAL MERROW SCHOLARSHIP	\$562,530.23	0.00	\$562,530.23	\$91,188.13	\$58,482.01	\$106,895.14	\$669,425.37
Lyford Merrow Hospital	\$10,000.00	0.00	\$10,000.00	\$1,718.00	\$859.02	\$2,577.02	\$12,577.02
TOTAL MERROW HOSPITAL	\$10,000.00	0.00	\$10,000.00	\$1,053.45	\$1,523.57	\$2,577.02	12,577.02
Carol E. Duchesne Scholarship	\$25,820.00	0.00	\$25,820.00	\$2,484.60	\$1,598.39	\$3,082.99	\$28,902.99
TOTAL DUCHESNE SCHOLARSHIP	\$25,820.00	0.00	\$25,820.00	\$2,484.60	\$1,598.39	\$3,082.99	\$28,902.99
TOTAL NON-EXPENDABLE FUNDS	\$676,671.22	\$2,560.12	\$679,231.34	\$124,124.83	\$64,946.77	\$135,046.60	\$814,277.94
EXPENDABLE TRUSTS							
Library (CapRes)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00	\$39.92	\$39.92	\$2,039.92
Center Ossipee Fire	31,970.37	14,452.02	46,422.39	0.00	501.92	501.92	46,924.31
Highway Dept (CapRes)	11,625.00	0.00	11,625.00	1,258.68	280.31	1,538.99	13,163.99
Highway Dept (Match)	60,481.81	25,000.00	85,481.81	3,589.42	2,694.59	6,284.01	91,765.82
OssCrrnL&P (CapRes)	0.00	3,455.25	3,455.25	0.00	159.59	159.59	3,614.84
OssCrrnL&P (Maintenance)	2,942.13	0.00	2,942.13	317.17	72.41	389.58	3,331.71
West Ossipee Fire	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	1,371.21	216.70	(0.00)	(0.00)
TOTAL EXPENDABLE TRUSTS	\$115,519.31	\$43,907.27	\$151,926.58	\$6,536.48	\$3,985.44	\$8,914.01	\$160,840.59
TOTALS	\$792,190.53	\$46,467.39	\$831,157.92	\$130,661.31	\$68,912.21	\$55,612.91	\$975,118.53

Respectfully submitted,
George F. Lynch, Chairman; June Loud and Joan Bishop, Trustees

OSSIPEE PUBLIC LIBRARY 1998 Report

RECEIPTS

Balance Forwarded		\$2,528.07
Town of Ossipee	\$24,821.99	
Gov. Wentworth Arts Council	100.00	
AT&T	25.00	
Total Receipts		\$24,946.99
Salaries		35,115.29

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$35,115.29	
Fuel	1,320.68	
Books	6,341.12	
Periodicals	432.23	
Videos	275.00	
Water & Sewer	168.55	
Dues	140.00	
Telephone	1,112.79	
Miscellaneous	401.75	
Programs	333.72	
Postage	164.35	
Maintenance & Repairs	1,587.74	
Furniture & Equipment	0.00	
Education	140.00	
Supplies	886.97	
Mileage	408.89	
Electricity	2,414.98	
Auditing	350.00	
Total Expenditures		\$51,594.06
Balance in Checking Acct. 12/31/98		\$10,996.29

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS - RECEIPTS

Balance Forwarded		\$3,046.35
Fines	\$1,037.76	
Out-of-Town Patrons	340.00	
Fundraisers	140.00	
Trust Fund	25.00	
Donations	65.00	
Copy Machine	388.25	
Sale/History Books	554.70	
Fax Machine	7.00	
Replace Books	57.95	
Total Receipts		\$5,662.01

EXPENDITURES

Withdrawal (gift)	\$63.10	
Total Expenditures		\$63.10
Balance in Savings Account 12/31/98		\$5,598.91

NEW HAMPSHIRE INVESTMENT POOL

Balance 12/31/97		\$13,106.39
1998 Interest		687.63
Balance 12/31/98		\$13,794.02



The Lord Memorial Library, built in 1922 in memory of Frank S. Lord.

OSSIPEE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

Circulation Statistics:

Adult Fiction	6,634
Adult non-Fiction	2,370
Children's Fiction	3,423
Children's non-Fiction	1,516
Young Adults	182
Magazines	426
Videocassettes	1,622
Audio Tapes	1,069
Misc./Realia	<u>12</u>
TOTAL	17,254

New Patrons — 347

Internet access has become available, which has contributed to the increase in the use of the facilities available at the library

Borrowing and loaning books to and from other libraries has increased by 354%.

The following are new additions to the Library:

Young Adult book section.

Children's books on tape.

Videos and Audios through CCLC (Carroll County Library Co-op).

One computer with free Internet access from Worldpath Internet Services.

Storytelling from Americorp volunteers.

Computer tutoring.

Homework assistance.

Appreciation and thankfulness go out to a large group of wonderful people who give of themselves to enrich the lives of others. They make your Library what it is today.

Respectfully submitted,
Yvonne Fisher, Library Director
Elizabeth S. Rouner, Chairman, Board of Trustees
Catherine D. Ziegler, Secretary, Board of Trustees
Mary Buswell, Treasurer, Board of Trustees
Elizabeth H. Sanders, Board of Trustees
Eileen Leavitt, Board of Trustees

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Town of Ossipee certainly had its share of surprises in 1998. An ice storm struck the entire state in early January. Ossipee was struck particularly hard and entire neighborhoods were sealed off by falling trees coated with a thick layer of ice. Utility poles were snapped in half making restoration of electrical service extremely hazardous and difficult. Some areas were over a week without power. Volunteerism in Ossipee again proved our strength as a multitude came forth, led by the three Precinct Fire Departments, with trucks and chainsaws to assist their neighbors during this disaster. The Emergency Management Team organized the efforts and coordinated with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to control the situation and ensure everyone's safety. Soon, the storm was over and we quickly realized the devastating extent of tree damage throughout the region. We will feel and see these effects for years to come.

In June, Ossipee experienced heavy rains: about 12 inches within a week. Water drained from the mountains, filled wetlands, and caused rivers to spill their banks. Ossipee Lake swelled in size in spite of early opening of the dam gates. Homes and campgrounds were evacuated and untold thousands of dollars were lost in the flood. Again, Ossipee people volunteered their help and opened their homes to those flooded out.

In August, a fast moving electrical storm swept through Ossipee late one afternoon. High winds toppled trees onto a home by the Wakefield border and lightning struck two homes, igniting fires which caused considerable damage. Lightning also struck the 100-year-old White Pine in front of Town Hall. Everyone mourned as the old "Pineland" landmark was taken down. A four inch cross section of its mighty base was sliced off by the UNH Cooperative Extension Service and preserved for future generations. It will be on display in the Ossipee Central School this Spring.

Work continued during all this excitement. Road construction on Chickville Road began and about 3,500 feet was completely removed and replaced with new gravel. Paving will begin once the road bed has settled. The Selectmen have also embarked on a long-term road repair strategy for 1999 that includes replacement of the Granite Road bridge, more work on Chickville Road, and resurfacing the County Farm Road. The commitment to replacing highway equipment is continuing with the planned purchase of a front-end loader in 1999. Other capital projects include removal of the old electrical generating building at the Mill Pond Dam this year and planned grouting completion of the upstream side of the dam in 2000.

Town office workers have also been busy learning new computer systems. When lightning struck the tree at Town Hall, it also shorted the assessing and tax collecting computer systems. Our insurance policy replaced the systems with state-of-the-art computers complete with new software that had to be learned. We're very pleased with our employees' dedication during this time of transition.

As always, the incinerator and recycling facility will sponsor "Earth Week" and the Hazardous Waste Collection Day. Participation in these events has grown in recent years and we are proud our citizens support protection of our environment.

We are looking forward to 1999 and your support to continue programs that

keep Ossipee's infrastructure and services strong. We are also looking forward to the citizen participation which is such an important part of everything we do. From Planning and Zoning Board members to Baseball coach, it's volunteers who make the difference and keep vitality in our town. To you we say thanks and look forward to seeing you in 1999.

Sincerely,
Board of Selectmen



OSS�PEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report, 1998

1998 was a very busy year. At last years Town Meeting, the matching funds were approved for a grant from the Federal C.O.P.S. program, which allowed us to hire an additional full time officer. Eddie Shannon, who was previously part time, was hired for this position, and completed the Academy in Concord in the late Fall. The addition of this position will allow us to further expand the patrol hours, as well as give us the ability to send officers to more training without compromising patrol coverage.

This year, this department logged over 129,000 miles and consumed over 8,900 gallons of gasoline. The following pages contain a breakdown of activity and arrests for 1998.

As of this writing, there is a move under way to establish a police commission in Ossipee. While my reasons for opposing the formation of a commission are too numerous for this report, I would like to convey to you that my door is always open for anyone who has any concerns or questions regarding the Police Department. I further pledge that regardless of which political body oversees this department, we will continue to serve the people of Ossipee to the absolute best of our ability.

All of the members of this department continue to serve this community above and beyond what is expected of them, and I thank them for their loyalty and dedication. I further thank the departments around us for their help this past year, the fire departments, rescue, and ambulance for their help and cooperation at the many emergency scenes, the staff at Town hall, and the many businesses, organizations, and people in Ossipee who support us throughout the year.

ACTIVITY, 1998

Assault	68	Criminal Restraint	1
False Imprisonment	1	Interfere w/Custody	2
Robbery	1	Criminal Threats	39
Arson	1	Attempted Arson	1
Burglary	38	Attempted Burglary	4
Shoplifting	9	Theft	101
Forgery	4	Fraud	1
Unauthorized Use	1	Receiving Stolen Property	2
Criminal Mischief	70	Possession of Controlled Drugs	12
Bad Checks	101	Disorderly Conduct	3
Security Checks	960	Medical Aid	49
Assist other Agency	120	Alarms	107
Unlocks	58	Welfare Checks	18
Paper Service	6	Misc. Complaints	196
911 Hang-ups	31	Vehicle Accidents	158
M/V Warnings	671	M/V Summonses	111
DWI	34	Protective Custody	134
Child Abuse	8	Unlawful Poss. Alcohol	13
Open Container	44	Juvenile Runaway	11
Criminal Trespass	16	Untimely Death	4
Attempted Suicide	10	Missing Person	3

Recovered Property	5	Domestic Disturbance	47
Habitual Offender	2	Operating after Suspension	30
Conduct after Accident	8	Dog Complaints	5
Bench Warrants	12	Contribute to Minor	2
Resisting Arrest	5	Fugitive	1
Attempted Abduction	1	Unregistered Vehicle	1
Misuse of Plates	1	Reckless Operation	1

TOTAL CALLS AND INCIDENTS FOR 1998 - 3,348

ARRESTS, 1998

Operation after Suspension	34	Open Container	44
Protective Custody	137	Shoplifting	7
Suspended Registration	1	Truancy	1
Bad Checks	69	Contribute to Minor	2
Assault	30	Resisting Arrest	6
Criminal Trespass	4	Criminal Threats	10
Disorderly Conduct	1	Disobey Officer	3
Reckless Conduct	3	Failure to Appear	1
Conduct after Accident	2	False Imprisonment	1
Burglary	7	Prohibited Sales of Alcohol	4
Theft	4	Fugitive	1
Operating w/o License	2	DWI	34
Indecent Exposure	1	Harassment	1
Misuse of Plates	1	Misuse of Horsepower	1
Reckless Operation	2	Receive Stolen Property	1
Unregistered Vehicle	2	Forgery	1
Possession of Controlled Drugs	7	Violation of Protective Order	5
Bench Warrants	9	Habitual Offender	2
Theft of Service	1	Taking without Consent	1
Possession of Alcohol	13	Criminal Mischief	21
Manufacture of Drugs	2	Miscellaneous	13

TOTAL ARRESTS FOR 1998 - 492

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Morgan, Chief of Police



THE TOWN OF OSS�PEE RESCUE SERVICE 1998

The Ossipee Rescue Service was again very active throughout the year. The Service responded to well over 300 calls for help in Ossipee as well as assisting in many calls for mutual aid to surrounding towns.

Our membership has continued to remain high. We now have twenty active members of which all but three are Nationally Registered Emergency Technicians. This past year our members have continued their education and training. We had five members complete and receive their Emergency Medical Technician Certification this past year. We now have more active Nationally Registered EMTs on the Ossipee Town Service, as volunteers, than any other Service in the Ossipee Valley Mutual Aid association.

All of the above allows us to serve you, the Town of Ossipee citizens, better. We thank you for your continued support and wish all a safe and prosperous year ahead.



EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR'S REPORT

Report to the Towns and Cities in District One

by Councilor Ray Burton

As one of your elected officials, I am honored to report to you as a member of the New Hampshire Executive Council. This five-member elected body acts much like a board of directors of your New Hampshire State Government in the Executive Branch.

In my twentieth year representing this district with 98 towns and four cities, there are many changes I've seen and been a part of in the past. My focus in this report to you is toward the future and some suggestions on how you as citizens might be encouraged to participate in the future.

The following are some ideas and suggestions. The Governor and Council have a constitutional and lawful duty to fill dozens of boards and commissions with volunteer citizens. If you are interested in serving on one or more of these volunteer posts, please send me your resume at the State House and I'll see that it is passed on to Kathy Goode, Governor Shaheen's liaison to the Executive Council, or you may wish to send them directly to the Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301

Other resources available to your town/city/county include 10 million dollars (\$10,000,000) through the Community Development Block Grant program at the **Office of State Planning**. Call Jeff Taylor at 271-2155 to see if your town or area qualifies.

Annually there is available some 10 million dollars (\$10,000,000) available through the **New Hampshire Attorney General's Office** for innovative programs for drug and law enforcement, stress programs dealing with youth at risk, assistance to victims, and special programs for victims of domestic violence. For information call Mark Thompson at 271-3658.

Communities may request assistance through the **NH National Guard Army**, General John Blair's Office, for services such as a Drug Detection Dog, Community Presentations on Drug Demand Education, and Career Direction Workshops. Telephone number is 225-1200.

The **Office of Emergency Management** at telephone number 1-800-852-3792 is the proper call when an emergency develops in your area such as floods, high winds, oil spills, and ice jams.

State and Federal Surplus items may be purchased at minimum cost. Call Art Haeussler at 271-2602 for a list and newsletter.

In **New Hampshire Correctional Industries**, there are many products and services of use to towns, cities, and counties such as street signs, vehicle decals, printing, car repair, furniture, and data entry services, including web page development. Call Peter McDonald at 271-1875.

People and businesses looking for work - vocational rehabilitation, job training programs should call **NH Employment Security** at 1-800-852-3400.

NH Department of Environmental Services has available 20% grants for water/waste water projects and landfill closure projects, revolving loans for water/waste water and landfill closure, and also money for Household Waste Collection days. Call 271-2905. State Revolving Loans has available around 35 to 50 million dollars (\$35,000,000 to \$50,000,000) per year. For information call 271-3505.

Oil Funds - There are five petroleum funds which cover oil spill cleanup and emergency response, reimbursement for cleanup by owners of motor fuel underground and above-ground tanks, heating oil facilities (primary home owners), and motor oil storage facilities (service stations and automobile dealers). For information call 271-3644. Further, there is a municipal grant fund for construction of used oil collection facilities and operator training. For information call 271-2942.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days - Annual grants to cities and towns for collection of household hazardous waste provide dollar-for-dollar matching funds up to a total of 50% of the costs incurred. For further information call 271-2047.

NH Health & Human Services Department has numerous divisions, providing a variety of services and assistance . . . mental health, public health, children and youth, etc. All of these may be obtained by calling 1-800-852-3345.

All of your New Hampshire State Government can be accessed by the general phone number at 271-1110 and through the State Webster Internet <http://www.state.nh.us>. Your New Hampshire Government is at your service, please call my office anytime I can be of help. (271-3632 and e-mail: rburton@gov.state.nh.us).



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To the SELECTMEN and RESIDENTS of the Town of OSSIPEE:

The Carroll County Community Contact office is a private, non-profit subdivision of Tri-County Community Action. Tri-County Community Action was incorporated in 1965 with a mission that includes "to make the entire community more responsive to the needs and interests of the poor by mobilizing resources and bringing about greater institutional sensitivity." The Carroll County Community Contact office was established in and has operated from our base at 5 Folsom Road, Center Ossipee since 1984. We presently have nine regularly scheduled satellite office sites located throughout Carroll County.

The Carroll County Community Contact office has provided services for 1,441 of Ossipee's citizens, processing 472 fuel applications, 80 being elderly and 95 disabled, and linked 794 with other Community Action Programs.

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION HAS SPENT \$132,939.54 ON
OSSIPEE CITIZENS BETWEEN JULY 1,1997 AND JUNE 30,1998.

Community Contact is dependent upon funding from your town and neighboring communities county-wide to provide necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in our communities. The local funds are combined with the Community Services Block Grant, Fuel Assistance, New Hampshire Emergency Shelter Grant, Homeless Programs, FEMA and private and corporate benefactors. We also are the conduit through which the USDA Surplus Food gets distributed to the 11 food pantries and 4 dinner bells throughout Carroll County in order to serve our residents.

Carroll County Community Contact has many links to local families. The Fuel Assistance and Weatherization programs are a major gateway for low-income households to interact with our staff in completing applications and receiving benefit. We use FEMA and McKinney Funds in our Homeless Prevention Program.

Carroll County Community Action will be working with TANF recipients in job retention support and post-employment services. Our office is one of six sites statewide for the Family Empowerment and Advocacy Services Program. We also have effective working relationships with energy providers, electric utilities, town welfare officials and other community services and resources.

Carroll County Community Contact is known as a family friendly agency. Our staff has the trust of the entire county. We are able to successfully partner with individual families and assist them with achieving greater self-sufficiency. We generally work with families one-on-one to identify barriers blocking the way to

self-sufficiency and the resources to overcome these barriers. We provide information and referral and assisted with advocacy for more than 6,500 households in Carroll County last year.

We have greatly appreciated the support, cooperation and partnership with your elected officials and staff, as well as other social service agencies, residents and our clients.

Much appreciation,
Marge Webster
Carroll County Community Contact Director

OSSIPEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Annual Report, 1998

The Ossipee Historical Society is a non-profit organization which has two goals: to promote awareness of the history of Ossipee and to preserve the artifacts and records connected with that history.

1998 was a year of outreach and growth as the society increased its efforts to expand membership and make ourselves open and available to the public. We began the year by renaming the museum the Museum of Ossipee History and planning for a first annual Ossipee History Day on June 27th. Planning and publicity preceding this event, as well as hard work by society volunteers, produced a day that exceeded expectations. More than 40 visitors crowded the museum to view our exhibits which Doris Ashton had arranged, and the special exhibits of spinning and civil war memorabilia. As part of the program, we awarded the first-ever Ossipee Historical Society prize (\$100.00) for excellence in history to Phillip Loud, an Ossipee senior at Kingswood High School. All in all, it was an exciting day in which the public and members saw the museum as a place that was accessible and that had something to offer.

After our opening day, visitors continued to come to the museum as we expanded our hours to three days and one evening a week. Arletta Paul coordinated the volunteers, who enthusiastically worked at the museum. They were rewarded with about 175 visitors (as compared with 100 last year). The museum houses more than 7,000 Ossipee artifacts, some 4,000 of which have been catalogued by Arletta Paul.

Earlier in the year, we had a highly entertaining first regular meeting, concentrating on Water Village. Five panelists talked about various aspects of the village and musicians entertained us with folk music on dulcimers and other old instruments. In May, we journeyed to the Freedom Historical Society to see their museum. Memorial Day weekend, we had a well-attended yard sale. The rest of the regular meetings drew from 40-50 people. The programs were: In June, focus on Granite, given by Doris Ashton; July Governor Wentworth (played by Deane Phillips) and Fred Foley, Trustee of the Wentworth House Plantation in Wolfeboro; August: Alan Stolz, reminiscing about summer camps in the Ossipee area; September: A civil war soldier's journal, given by Arletta Paul and Barry Hill. In August, we also had our annual service at the Early Settlers Meeting House, coordinated by Doris Ashton.

Much of the year was devoted to improving the physical environment at the museum. Besides a new sign, we are in the process of installing a bathroom. We hope that this will be completed soon, making the museum much more comfortable for visitors and volunteers alike. Our maintenance of the Early Settlers Meeting House continues, including some needed structural repairs.

One of our major efforts was to increase the readership and scope of the quarterly newsletter. The compliments and requests for additional copies we have received show that we are meeting this challenge.

All of this effort and activity produced, I believe, a renewed spirit of enthusiasm in the Ossipee Historical Society itself and a new awareness and respect for the society with the general public. This was shown by an increase in membership and contributions, the number of inquiries received about Ossipee history and of course, the increase in visitors to the museum. 1998 was a year in which we can truly say that we made real progress in accomplishing the purposes of the society.

Respectfully submitted,
Barry Hill, President

OSSIPEE PLANNING BOARD 1998 Annual Report

The Planning Board met regularly on the first and third Tuesdays at 7:00 PM at the Ossipee Town Hall, with additional meetings or work sessions held when necessary. We reviewed and approved seventeen site plans of non-residential uses. We approved three subdivisions and eight boundary line adjustments, two excavation permits, and six plans of land were placed on file.

Our board encourages applicants to meet with the Zoning Enforcement Officer. This will ensure they are in compliance with all zoning issues before coming before the Planning Board for final approval. With the help of our Zoning Enforcement Office, Bud O'Donnell, we can expedite the procedure.

Selectman Representative, Patricia Jones, is currently working with the Lakes Region Planning Commission and is tabulating the results of the survey mailed this year. This is part of the project of upgrading the Master Plan.

In November, Ossipee residents, business people, and property owners spent a day brainstorming at OCC to set the agenda for the Town's Community Corridor Planning Initiative and the Town Master Plan update.

Ossipee is the first of four communities to undertake their own community corridor initiative. Technical assistance and funding was provided through the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, the New Hampshire Office of State Planning, and two Regional Planning Commissions. The object was to set the direction for Ossipee's Planning and Corridor Initiative throughout the Town. These priorities for improved Corridor transportation and land use in Ossipee grew out of the workshop:

- Concentrate Corridor development at "nodes" at Routes 16 & 28 and 16 & 25.
- Manage and limit combined access points along Route 16 between those nodes.
- Enhance recreation opportunities, particularly biking and pedestrian paths.
- Rest and information center and a park-and-ride facility along the corridor.

These topics were the focus of a community "charrette"—a design brainstorming session which took place in Ossipee on Saturday January 23rd. Design professionals, Ossipee residents, and property owners explored specific design and regulatory solutions within these priorities, developed a set of proposals to be presented at a later date to town and state boards and agencies.

With regret, we accepted the resignations of James Rines and Boyd Parker. They were outstanding members who served our community well. Their expertise was greatly appreciated.

Once again we express our appreciation to our secretary, Ray Leavitt. Through his efforts our board functioned smoothly.

It is with pleasure we serve our community.

Gilbert C. Adams, Jr., Chairman	Bruce "Bud" Morse
E. Milton Dow, Vice Chairman	David Haag
Patricia Jones, Selectmen Representative	
Ray Leavitt, Secretary (non-member)	

Respectfully submitted,
Gilbert C. Adams, Jr., Chairman

REPORT OF THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The following is the Codes Enforcement Officer's Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1998:

Building /Zoning Permits issued	114 each
Building Permit fees paid to Town	\$3,275.00
Sign Permits issued	17 each
Total Correspondence issued	219 letters
Violations of Ordinances cited	40 letters
Denial of Building/Zoning Permit	39 letters

The majority of the permit denials were later rescinded and permits issued as the result of subsequent appeals to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and its issuance of Special Exceptions, Variances, or other appropriate relief.

Most of the violations were corrected by appropriate corrective action by the property owners involved, however there remain SEVEN (7) outstanding violations which are in various stages of negotiation, appeals, or corrective action.

As requested meetings of the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, and Zoning Board of Adjustment were attended for testimony, and to discuss violations and other matters related to the Town's Ordinances.

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice H. O'Donnell
Zoning Enforcement Officer

OSSIPEE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 1998 Annual Report

The Ossipee Economic Development Committee generally meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall. This group of volunteers includes Rev. Bill Shafer, Terri Cotton, Virgil Abbott, Sen. Carl Johnson, Tom Gaydos, Hon. Randy Lyman, Paul Henle, Hon. David Babson, and Pat Jones, Chairman. New members are always welcome.

The OEDC reviewed its goals and objectives and developed the following mission statement:

MISSION STATEMENT

The Ossipee Economic Development Committee seeks to promote and support economic vitality in Ossipee by providing service for existing businesses, and supporting opportunities for technical training.

The Ossipee Economic Development Committee fosters organized growth utilizing human and natural resources in a responsible way.

The Ossipee Economic Development Committee seeks to provide an organic process for evaluation and reassessment of this Committee and its goals. It seeks to educate and involve the community in its work.

The majority of the committee's efforts were spent working with the New Hampshire Community Technical College to provide courses in Ossipee. Unfortunately, low enrollment caused the courses to be canceled.

Because of great interest in the community for computer instruction, a grant was written and received from the New Hampshire Charitable Trust Fund for \$16,000 to purchase computers for vocational instruction in Ossipee.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia H. Jones, Chm.

MT. WASHINGTON VALLEY ECONOMIC COUNCIL

The mission of the Mt. Washington Valley Economic Council, "to improve and diversify the economic vitality in the Mt. Washington Valley Region," continues to serve as a guiding light for all the activities that the Board of Directors advocates. Helping businesses with legislative issues, providing information such as the "Safety Plan Workshop," "Electric Coop Forum," and the ongoing Business Leader's Breakfasts and technology sessions, "Bits, Bytes and Business," as well as the "Industrial Roundtables" are all examples of the ways the Council works for business and the community at large. The recent Northland Shoe closing, although located in Fryeburg, did impact area business and employees, and the Council responded immediately. We were instrumental in the success of the NH Job Council's Machine Tool Training Program. Our revolving loan fund, having provided four loans to area businesses, continues to grow, and the interest from these loans will help contribute to the Council's sustainability over time.

The Council will continue to explore the possibility of lowering electric costs, which will ultimately benefit all citizens and businesses in the Mt. Washington Valley. With your help MWVEC can continue to work to strengthen the economies of the twelve towns we serve.

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

LRPC, with a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, and Grafton Counties, is one of nine regional planning agencies established by state statute. We continued to have a very busy year. Our work program remains diverse with activities such as local planning assistance, circuit rider planning, regional information systems & mapping, transportation planning, economic development, and natural resources planning. We are funded through multiple sources including local dues contributed by member municipalities. LRPC was called upon many times each day to provide local technical advice, and to respond to requests for service. We have also continued to maintain a regular dialogue with those state agencies that depend on us for a linkage to the communities in the Lakes Region. Our goal remains to provide support and leadership to the region, its governments, businesses, and citizens.

A few of our accomplishments over the past year are as follows:

- Co-hosted and organized three public Municipal Law Lectures, a public workshop on excavation taxes, and a workshop on the dollars and sense of conservation open-space zoning. Attended many local meetings for technical planning assistance.
- Initiated a comprehensive outreach effort to identify preferences for areas of local natural, historic, and cultural significance in our 31 communities. Responded to two requests under the Developments of Regional Impact statute.
- Prepared a report on trends in commercial, industrial, and residential development permits in the Lakes Region from 1992 to 1996.
- Approved transportation enhancement projects for consideration by the NH Dept. of Transportation. Completed the first of a two-year Scenic Byway Plan for the Lakes Region Tour. Staffed the Route 16 Corridor Study. Created a video on Access Management using computer simulation.
- Coordinated the 13th annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection (HHW), the largest single day, multi-site collection in New Hampshire. Renewed efforts to include a permanent HHW Collection Center.
- Guided area economic development policy as a board member of the Belknap County Economic Development Council and the Newfound Economic Development Corp.
- Served as the Lakes Region's data clearinghouse for U.S. Census, demographic and statistical data. These data are available to community officials and the public. Updated sections of the regional land use map using geographic information system technology. Responded to requests from all member communities.
- Amended LRPC's Bylaws to ensure that commissioner membership and meetings would include geographic balance throughout the region.
- Represented the region before the International Forum of Coastal Communities on Tourism and the Environment.
- Provided support to the U.S. Americorps staff working with local landowners for water quality and land management. Staffed the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee. Conducted reviews of flood plain ordinances.

We look forward to serving Ossipee in the future. Feel free to contact the LRPC at 279-8171 for additional information or whenever we can be of assistance.

OSSIPEE CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1998 Annual Report

The Ossipee Conservation Commission functioned this year under the leadership of Peter Olkkola, Chairman, and Ralph Buchanan, Jr., Vice chairman. Other members were Greg Bossart, Thomas Dodge, Maria LaGuardia, Randy Lyman, John Smith, and Ray Leavitt, Alternate.

Seven dredge and fill applications were processed through the New Hampshire Wetlands Bureau.

In cooperation with the US Forestry Service and NH Fish and Game, the Commission sponsored a program on bears in New Hampshire. This excellent presentation was attended by about forty people.

The forestry subcommittee oversaw the timber harvest at the Sumner Brook Forest. The income produced for the Conservation Fund was approximately \$25,000. This successful cut leaves a pleasant appearance for visitors coming to and passing through our community.

Under the guidance of Maria LaGuardia, the Commission entered a float in the Fourth of July parade. Recycling was the theme of this prize winning float.

In spite of the defeat at town meeting of our request for funding for the purchase of the former Center Ossipee Inn property, the Commission continues to pursue other options for the accomplishment of this project. The intent is to provide a green area in the center of the village, as well as spaces for parking. At the 1999 town meeting the legislative body will be asked to appropriate \$7500 which will be matched by \$7500 from the Conservation Fund to cover the purchase price of \$15,000. This project will contribute to the present and future economic viability of the village.

Thanks to the efforts of Ralph Buchanan, Sr., two recycling bins have been built and placed in strategic locations for the collection of cans and bottles.

As you entered the Ossipee landfill this year, perhaps you noticed the Burma Shave type signs. These, along with other directional signs at the landfill, were provided through the Commission.

The Ossipee Conservation Commission meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall in Center Ossipee. All meetings are open to the public and your participation is encouraged. The Commission is a member of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Olkkola, Chairman

OSSIPEE OLD HOME WEEK 1998 Annual Report



The 5th Annual Ossipee Old Home Week, 1998, was a great success once again!

The nine-day celebration, June 27 through July 5, was full of over forty events that provided something for all ages and interests. The Old Home Week Committee worked extremely hard putting all of the events together.

Nonprofit organizations, civic groups, individuals, neighborhoods, and the town departments all worked together to make the 1998 Old Home Week one of the best yet! It is a testament to the citizens of Ossipee that we are all able to work together to put on something as grand as the Old Home Week. Many people commented on how close-knit the community is and how they wish that their communities would do the same. We all should be proud of what we have accomplished through the Ossipee Old Home Week.

The cost of putting Old Home Week on, including the fireworks (the best in Carroll County!) was over \$12,000. Every penny used to pay for the events was raised by the committee and through the generous donations of many businesses, individuals, and organizations. The committee is an all-volunteer group dedicated to planning an enjoyable fun-filled event for the citizens of Ossipee. The committee welcomes your input for future plans. We meet Wednesday evenings at the Police Station (refer to the newspaper for specific dates) at 7:00 pm.

Plans for Ossipee Old Home Week, 1999, are well underway. The dates for the 1999 Old Home Week are June 26 through July 4. We will also be sponsoring another Carnival the week of July 12. The committee is also working hard on plans for Old Home Week, 2000, including a special event each month of the year in 2000!

The committee remains dedicated to promoting community pride through the Old Home Week and in celebrating the 4th of July in style and in the celebrations leading up to the 4th.

As chairperson of the 1998 Ossipee Old Home Week, I would like to thank all of the committee members for their hard work, and all of the members of this community who have been so very supportive.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Waugh, Chairperson
Marge Vacca, Co-Chairperson

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1998



To the Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Ossipee:

Do you recognize anyone in the picture? It was taken during the Summer Day Camp this past summer. This is just one of the many activities, classes, programs, and special events that the department plans and coordinates throughout the year. The department's goal is to offer a wide range of activities for all ages, designed to meet the needs of the community, and to encourage healthy use of your leisure and recreation time. The Summer Day Camp fulfills part of that goal. Your participation in that and other activities also helps to fulfill that goal. Here is a list of the opportunities that were available to you in 1998:

CHILDREN/YOUTH: Summer Day Camp (ages 6-12), Youth Soccer (grades 1-6), Field Hockey (gr. 4-6), L'il Pros (sports for ages 4-7), Squeaky Sneakers (ages 18 mos.-3 yrs.), Basketball (grades 1-6), Cheerleading (gr. 4-6), Super Sluggers (gr. 1-3), Softball (gr. 4-6), Gymnastics (ages 4 - gr. 6), Swimming Lessons (ages 4-12), Archery Camp (ages 7-12), T-Ball (ages 6-7), Skating Lessons (gr. K-6), Flag Football (gr. 4-6), Tumblebugs (ages through 24 mos.), Holiday Crafty Critters (gr. 1-3), Game Day (gr. 4-6), Karate (age 6-12), and Ceramics (age 8-12).

TEEN/YOUTH: Volunteer Program, Karate, Volleyball, Open Gym. Teen Activity Nights, February and April Vacation Activities, Ceramics, Swing and Ballroom Workshops, Foxtrot and Waltz Workshops, Socials, Cake Decorating Classes, Red Cross CPR and First Aid Certification, Red Cross Babysitter Certification, Aerobics, Archery Camp, Snowboard Lessons, and Floor Hockey.

ADULT/SENIORS: Oil Painting, Rug Hooking, Volleyball, Ceramics, Open Gym, "Over-the-Hill" Basketball, Swing and Ballroom Workshops, Foxtrot and Waltz Workshops, "Fleet Feet" Walking Program, Karate, Tai Chi, Aerobics,

Country Line Dancing, Country Clogging, Cake Decorating Classes, "55 Alive" Safe Driving Course, Woman's Open Gym, Archery Camp, and Red Cross CPR and First Aid Certification.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Snicker's Kick Center Soccer Clinic, NYSCA Coaches Certification Clinics, Turkey Shoot, Halloween Party, Halloween Social, OCS Graduation Social, Boston Pops Holiday Concert, Portland Pirates Hockey Game, Portland Sea Dogs Baseball Game, Breakfast with Santa, Sports Awards, Ossipee Lake Ice-Out Contest. Gary the Silent Clown, March for Parks, Duncan Lake Workday, WGME 13 Awesome Auto Tour, Holiday Gift Basket/Centerpiece Classes, Make a Wreath Class, Gingerbread House Class, Snowmobile Safety Course, NH Boaters Safety Course, Adopt-a-Highway Cleanups, Lawnmower Safety Class, Fish Casting Clinic, Fleeer Diamond Skills, Concerts on the Lawn, Shinguard/Cleat/Ice Skate/In-line Skate Swap, Ink/Laser Jet Cartridge Recycling Program, and Escorted Group Tours.

The department also continues its cooperative efforts with area businesses to provide additional programs. These cooperative ventures are a benefit both to the department and to the respective businesses.

Weekly updates in the local newspapers and occasional announcements on Channel 3 on Cable TV are sent to keep you up-to-date on what is happening with the department. In addition, a program brochure is published on a quarterly basis (Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter) that serves as a handy resource for people who inquire about the many offerings of the department. Its size and content has expanded greatly over the past year. Due to the expansion, the Spring 1999 brochure will be totally reformatted. It is my hope that the new format will make it easier for you to read and understand. I continue to participate in the NRPA Program Brochure Exchange Program. Ossipee's brochure is sent to over 160 recreation departments in the United States, Canada, and Guam. In return, they send their brochures to Ossipee. We share ideas and network on programs and activities. Also, a trail map of the wonderful trails at Constitution Park is available at the department office and in the Town Hall. These trails are short and scenic—perfect for a relaxing lunch hour!

The Ossipee Recreation Department maintains its membership with: The National Recreation and Park Association, The New Hampshire Recreation and Parks Association, The National Arbor Day Foundation, The National Youth Sports Coaches Association, The National Alliance of Youth Sports, and The Carroll County Recreation Director's Association. Membership in these organizations provides valuable resources and input on a national, state, regional, and local level. The department is also actively involved in the organization of the Annual Ossipee Old Home Week and the Ossipee Winter Carnival.

The department was also recognized again by the New Hampshire Recreation and Parks Association at its Annual Awards Banquet. The department was recognized for excellence in programming with the Shellnut/Perkins Program Excellence Award for our Turkey Shoot.

Regarding projects, the basketball court located at the YMCA Field in Ossipee Corner was completed and has been used extensively. I hope that we will be able to continue additions to the fields at Constitution Park and begin work on the YMCA Field in 1999.

A special "Thank You" is extended to all coaches, referees, umpires, instructors, and volunteers who generously shared their time and expertise, which greatly enhances the quality of the activities and programs. Without your help,

guidance, and support, the department could not accomplish what it does. I would also like to show my deep appreciation to all of the businesses, civic groups, individuals, and the other Town of Ossipee departments for their support of the Recreation Department. Through your financial contributions and your individual efforts, many residents of the town (young and old) have been able to participate in department activities. Thanks also to Peter Olkkola and Lawrence Brownell for keeping the fields and Mill Pond looking sharp, to Jim Sheehy and Jim Waugh for keeping the Town Hall shipshape and set up for the various activities, to Harold and the Highway Department for keeping the ice rink free of snow, to Ernie Hayford for lining the fields and keeping the ice rink nice and smooth, and to Sam Martin for all her hard work on the brochure.

Remember, Recreation is more than just sports! Recreation is what you do in your leisure time! Recreation is defined as the "act of creating anew," and "to refresh by means of relaxation and enjoyment, to restore or refresh physically and mentally." What will you and your family do this year to recreate? Try something totally new as a family and see how much of an impact it has on all of you!

For a little town, we have a lot to offer. It is a joy to serve as your recreation director. If you have an idea for something new, or just want to chat, please stop by the office!

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Waugh, Recreation Director



OSS�PEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY

The following is an actual report of the expenses of the Dam Authority for the 1998 year.

1997 Remaining Balance		\$22,626.70
1998 Appropriations		
Ossipee		4,092.18
Freedom (Freedom short \$6.38 of request)		3,274.74
		\$29,993.62
Less Expenses		
Bell Atlantic Monitoring Circuits	\$396.79	
AT&T Monitoring Circuits	76.35	
NH Water Res. Com. (Gauges)	4,800.00	
New below-dam gauge construction	680.44	
PSNH	140.74	
Dam Operator's Salary	2,000.00	
Secretary/Treasurer's Salary	500.00	
Aleska Construction (Snow plowing)	288.00	
PO Box	12.00	
Postage	19.20	
Skehan Home Center	<u>6.46</u>	
		\$8,919.98
Income		
Interest		\$269.29
		\$21,342.93
1999 Appropriations		
Ossipee		\$4,798.29
Freedom		3,858.78
1999 Beginning Balance		\$30,000.00

Respectfully submitted,
William O. Cutler
Secretary/Treasurer

REPORT OF THE DOG WARDEN 1998

In the year of 1998 there were 712 dogs licensed in the Town of Ossipee. I responded, on call, to 452 calls, traveling 2,808 miles, for a total of 316.5 man hours. Over all, 31 dogs were impounded for running at large. There were seven bite cases with seven quarantined dogs, all of which received a clean bill of health, 24 Summons issued for nuisance complaints, 78 dogs were found and returned to their owners, and one dog was taken into protective custody. There were no confirmed canine rabies cases in Ossipee this year.

In July of 1998 I attended classes at University of New Hampshire held by the S.P.C.A. for one week. The classes were most informative and covered a variety of animal handling and capture procedures, one of which was the euthanasia and tranquilization of aggressive animals. I am looking forward to attending again in July of 1999 to continue my expertise in the field of canine control.

Many hours are involved in keeping an updated list of currently licensed dogs, so if found they can be returned to their owners. It is required by law that any dog when outside, wear a collar with current license and rabies tag attached. I enter all records received from the town into a data base. This enables me to check a dog in many ways i.e., breed, color, address, licensed number, rabies number, or street/area of location, in an effort to locate an owner before impounding the dog at \$18.00 (plus) per day. This year I was fortunate to be able to returned 78 canines to their owners. I have heard from many owners that the tags keep coming off. The "S" type hooks that come with the tags apparently are at fault. A tip from the grapevine says that using a round type key ring, sold at the hardware store, keeps tags securely in place.

Yearly licensing will soon be here again, be sure to check your pet's rabies expiration date; dog licenses expire April 30, 1999. Licenses may be obtained at the Town Hall prior to April 30, 1999. A pet not currently vaccinated and licensed, in a bite situation could cost over \$2,500.00, plus impoundment fees and cost to the town.

Leash Law. The leash law says that an owner/keeper shall have control over their dog/dogs at all times. If a dog/dogs is with its owner/keeper and the owner/keeper calls it and it returns to them they have control over it. The key issue here is that the dog is under control of the owner/keeper; if the owner/keeper knowingly allows the dog to run free or leaves the area where the dog is known to be, then the owner/keeper is not in control of the dog. As of January 1, 1997 a law became effective requiring dogs to be tethered while in a vehicle. Please check into this law if you transport your canine by vehicle.

I would like to thank the citizens of Ossipee for their input and the Town of Ossipee for its support. I look forward to serving you to the best of my ability in the coming year.



Respectfully submitted,
Jim Elcock, Dog Warden

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION-HOSPICE OF SOUTHERN CARROLL COUNTY AND VICINITY, INC. 1998 Annual Report

The Visiting Nurse Association-Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity, Inc. (VNA-Hospice) is a not-for profit, free standing, Medicare certified provider of home care, hospice and out patient services to the residents of Alton, Brookfield, Effingham, Moultonboro, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield and Wolfeboro. In most of these towns the VNA-Hospice is the primary home care provider, while in others we supplement the towns own visiting nurses with specialized care such as hospice.

This past year has been especially challenging for the VNA-Hospice. Over 80% of our patients are on the Medicare program, and the passing of the Balanced Budget Act in September 1997 initiated a new system for reimbursing Medicare home care which actually threatened the viability of this Agency. The VNA-Hospice is a key component of the health care delivery system in this region, and we know that the care we provide to our residents is essential to their ability to remain independent and in their own homes. The ability to provide quality care to our patients has always been our mission and the reason for our existence. We had been successfully providing that care for over 50 years and we were determined to continue.

Many difficult decisions had to be made in order for this Agency to survive. The first and foremost goal was to continue with the Agency's work, patient care, insuring that the changes made did not impact the quality of care to our patients. We have always had an excellent reputation and rapport with our clients and our towns, and we did not want to do anything to jeopardize that. The Agency looked within itself and made drastic cuts to its operating budget by decreasing our office space, by changing many the status of many staff members and by cutting salaries, hours worked and benefits. These changes were not enough however, and we still had to turn to our community for support. The letters by you to our government representatives were important in getting the issues heard. The outpouring of Agency support letters, and a dramatic increase in donations this year in response to our fund drive was gratifying. The VNA-Hospice has always depended on our communities for support and to reimburse us for uncompensated services in the past, but 1998 was different. While we are still facing many fiscal constraints, because of the efforts of our staff and many of you, the VNA-Hospice will continue to be your home care provider. Thank-you!

The VNA-Hospice has experienced a 31% decrease in the total number of visits (37,000) made this year. The Agency's budget for 1998 will be approximately 2 million dollars with the primary payor continuing to be Medicare. These visits were made through our three programs which are the Home Health Care Program, the Hospice Program and the Outpatient-Maternal Child Health Program.

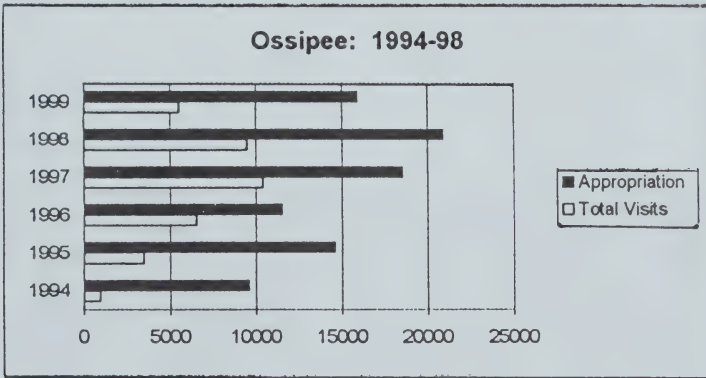
The VNA-Hospice made 5,498 visits to residents of the Town of Ossipee. We are requesting a reimbursement of \$15,885.00 to cover the actual amount of uncompensated care that we have provided to your residents during our fiscal year 1998. This represents a 23.9% reduction from last years request. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Marilyn A. Barba, MS, RN, CNA
Executive Director

FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1999 REFLECTING FY '98 ACTIVITY

9/9/98

Ossipee	Visits			Appropriation	Bad Debt	\$/visit
	Hospice	Home & other	Total Visits			
1994	0	942	942	\$ 9,583	n/a	\$ 10.17
1995	0	3481	3481	\$ 14,588	\$ 8,556	\$ 4.19
1996	486	6028	6514	\$ 11,497	\$ 1,881	\$ 1.76
1997	1754	8630	10384	\$ 18,517	\$ 2,588	\$ 1.78
1998	2062	7407	9469	\$ 20,882	\$ 7,006	\$ 2.21
1999	600	4898	5498	\$ 15,885	\$ 5,456	\$ 2.89



FY 1998 ACTIVITY

Total Visits 5,498 (14.8% of 1998 agency visits)

Town of Ossipee proportionate share of:

Child Health Program \$7,213

Home Care & Hospice 3,216

Unrecoverable (bad) debt 5,456

Losses specific to Ossipee \$15,885

FY '98 appropriation - \$15,885 - a reduction of 23.9%

FY '97 appropriation - \$20,882

This reduction in the appropriation request reflects a significant reduction in the number of annual visits and a reduction in unrecoverable (bad) debt.

OSSIPEE CONCERNED CITIZENS, Inc.

To the selectmen and citizens of the Town of Ossipee, Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. submits its annual report:

Image isn't everything. But it's a lot. How we see ourselves and our community at large, determines action. Which affects image. Which isn't everything. But it's a lot.

Over the years, the residents of the Town of Ossipee have taken action in support of services which improve quality of life. Programs that provide food, heat, childcare, public safety, recreation, and education are all essential to any community composition. In most cases the cost of that composite is negotiated annually.

Human services attempt to meet the basic needs of our citizens. The Meals-on-Wheels program does that by providing nutritious home-delivered meals and congregate meals to seniors who are sixty years or older. Total meals served for the last fiscal year increased to 43,867. And our senior population is growing rapidly.

WIC (Women, Infants, and Children nutrition/education program), with over 900 participants, provides food vouchers and information to eligible clients on a bi-monthly schedule.

The Ossipee Crossings Childcare Center, whose average number of children per day has increased from last year, provides a safe, educational, and happy environment for children whose parents need to work.

A program that we consider as invaluable as each of the above is the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP). This monthly food program offers a box of non-perishable foods to eligible WIC clients and to income-eligible elderly.

In addition, much of our time is spent on fundraising, which we consider integral to above-standard service. Hence, the Spring Fling, Harvest Fair, turkey suppers, catering, and weekly whist parties (which serve primarily as recreation).

Also, further activities include the Annual Christmas Fair (with profits assisting the Santa Project), senior shopping trips, rabies clinic (with Kindness Animal Hospital), monthly blood pressure and flu clinics by the VNA/Hospice of Southern Carroll County, senior trips, birdwatching, and nature trips. The VFW Post #8270 and Auxiliary, the Ossipee Police Department, and Ossipee Recreation Department combine with OCC to organize the Annual Winter Carnival, and OCC—again with the VFW—the Fourth of July Celebration.

Two major but essential detractions to our annual budget were roof improvement (to eliminate leaking) and the replacement of an existing furnace. Each purchase has eliminated ongoing problems to the daily functions of our agency.

We have also purchased a computer for senior access and are making plans for the development of an exercise area with equipment for senior use.

Our agency is extremely fortunate in having employees who give an extra part of themselves to insure program success. It is equally fortunate that volunteers, community organizations, local businesses, town officials, and hundreds of other individuals do the same.

For three decades, and not with disagreement, this community has taken strides to meet the challenges of a changing world. Its reflection reveals an

improved image. And although image isn't everything—it's a lot.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc., thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna E. Sargent, Executive Director



WELFARE Annual Report 1998

	Quarter				Total
	1	2	3	4	
Housing	\$1,225.88	\$4,071.00	\$4,060.42	\$2,517.40	\$11,874.70
Electric	0.00	1,041.11	1,229.01	696.87	2,966.99
Heat - Fuel	893.40	348.73	256.46	703.80	2,202.39
Medical	302.85	0.00	0.00	223.95	526.80
Food - Personal	35.10	278.36	94.40	80.54	488.40
Gas	17.50	30.00	0.00	25.00	72.50
Totals:	\$2,474.73	\$5,769.20	\$5,640.29	\$4,247.56	\$18,131.78

This year repayments totaling \$1,973.82 were made to the town.

This year liens totaling \$363.88 were made to the town.

This year a total of 99 applicants received assistance from the town.

OSSIPEE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

The Ossipee Water & Sewer Department has had another year of hardships and accomplishments. As our systems get older, mechanical, electrical devices, water lines, and valves will need to be repaired or replaced, raising havoc with our maintenance budget.

We started the year off with great hopes of selling bulk water from our proposed Sumner Brook well location. The sale of water would take all the problems out of our budget and eventually reduce rates and produce capital for expansion. Unfortunately, because of legal technicalities, we have not even come close to accomplishing this feat. We will, however, continue to work toward this goal.

Last summer we hired Ken Goode who came to us with 15 years experience at the Danvers, Mass., Water System. Although Ken had received very little training in the Ossipee water system at the time of Roland Stockbridge's tragic accident, with his vast knowledge and previous experience, he has been able to do an excellent job as acting superintendent in Roland's absence.

The new electronic gate installed at Camp David last summer has been working well. The gate records the hauler, truck, day and time of entry, which gives us much better control of billing.

Due to a malfunctioning meter at the Pine River pump station, we had a bacteria hit last summer, resulting in the necessity of purchasing a new \$2,300 replacement.

Many leaks have been repaired, a new hydrant has been installed on Dore Street, and we continue to maintain the systems.

Special thanks need to be given to Polly Templeton, our bookkeeper/right arm for her devotion to the department and the smooth handling of the office during a year of many changes

Looking into the future—but not too far off, we hope—we would like to run a water line down Route 16 to Route 28 up to Route 171, split off, and run south and north for service to all along the route with water as well as hydrants. We will apply for a government grant to accomplish this. This expansion would increase our base of income as well as encourage new business on Route 16.

Hopefully 1999 will be a year of our bulk water sales as well as other improvements to the system—without raising the rates.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Sawyer, Chairman
June Loud, Member
Tyler B. Phillips, Jr., Member

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Violations of RSA 227-L: 17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention, and training programs, as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271 - 2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. Early in 1998 we experienced an ice storm, which caused severe damage to forests of New Hampshire. This damage created a greater potential fire hazard as well as safety hazards to many areas of the state. Your local fire warden and Forest Rangers need your assistance in preventing wildfires in these hard-hit areas and throughout the State. If you need assistance or information dealing with ice damaged woodlands, please call 1-800-444-8978.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols, and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

1998 FIRE STATISTICS (All Fires Reported thru December 23, 1998)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY		CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED	
Belknap	44	Smoking	59
Carroll	89	Debris Burning	38
Cheshire	67	Campfire	29
Coos	18	Power Line	14
Grafton	43	Railroad	9
Hillsborough	232	Equipment Use	24
Merrimack	108	Lightning	16
Rockingham	121	Children	95
Strafford	64	OHRV	6
Sullivan	12	Miscellaneous	53
		Unknown	140
		Fireworks	6
		Arson/Suspicious	16
		Illegal	231
TOTAL FIRES	798	Rekindle	43
TOTAL ACRES	442.86	Disposal of Ashes	19

Robert E. Boyd, Forest Ranger

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Having completed my first year as Forest Fire Warden, I wish to thank all the deputies for their time and efforts, as well as the office staff at the Town Hall for their assistance. The year 1998 was somewhat quiet in the town; however, our wildland firefighters and equipment assisted our neighboring towns on numerous occasions. With the current fire load in our forested areas, we will most likely be calling on them this year.

The deputies and I continue to make prevention one of our top priorities. We all must work hard to keep our forested areas from being burned by wild fire. The townspeople have been very understanding during extremely dry conditions that cause days when no burning is allowed. Many issues are considered before that call is made, and it is sometimes not an easy decision to make. We always err on the side of caution.

I urge everyone in town to be extremely cautious with outdoor burning and to obtain a fire permit when needed. We face severe conditions for several years to come, and it will take everyone's effort to keep our town green and safe from wildfires. Contact me, your local deputy warden, or the Fire Station for information.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith J. Brown, Forest Fire Warden



OSSIPEE CORNER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report - 1998

To: The Ossipee Corner Light & Power Precinct Commissioners and Residents:

DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

Total calls: 153

Total man hours volunteered for calls, trainings and meetings: 3,055

Administrative hours (inspections, meetings, department operations): 1,404

YEARLY CALL TOTALS

Structure Fires: 16

Carbon Monoxide Alarms: 0

Vehicle Fires: 2

Wildland Fires: 7

Haz-Mat Incidents: 6

Alarm Activations: 16

Mutual Aid Assists: 31

Misc. Responses: 33

Chimney Fires: 0

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 50

Smoke Investigations: 5

Wires/Trees Down: 10

Bomb Threats: 0

Special Services: 8

The number of calls increased by fifty this year, with only eleven of these attributed to the January Ice Storm. Our membership stands at sixteen after the retirement of two senior members at year's end.

We accepted delivery in July of our new Freightliner Pumper/Tanker, that carries our new on board Vehicle Extrication Hurst Tools (Jaws of Life). After many hours of training, these life-saving tools were put into service. All of our other apparatus and equipment has been maintained on our regular maintenance program and is in excellent operating condition.

I would like to thank the officers and members of the department for the unselfish commitment that they have given to their community over the past year. I would also like to thank Mark Washburn for helping me make a smooth transition to Chief. Lastly, I would like to thank the Precinct Commissioners and residents for your continued support, and as always, we stand ready to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Short, Chief
Ossipee Corner Fire Department



FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Center Ossipee Firefighters have once again answered over one hundred calls for emergency service in 1998.

The Center Ossipee Fire Department operates under the command of Chief Roland Stockbridge; Assistant Chief Michael D. Brownell; and, Deputy Chief Bruce Williams. The captains, lieutenants and firefighters at the department total twenty. Several of the department members are certified in one or more of the following areas: ICS (Incident Command); Hazmat; Level One Firefighter; Career Firefighter; Level Two Firefighter; and, EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians). All members work very hard to complete whatever tasks that have been brought before them on a day to day basis. The fire department meets three times a month for a business meeting, officer meeting and a training session.

The chief's office has had an extremely busy season in the completion of several oil burner inspections ranging from new construction to replacement of existing systems. The completion of inspections is an important part of fire prevention by the fire department.

The fire department comes under more and more demand each year. Thus, the time put in by the firefighters increases each year. However, the demand for service has never been so high as the man hours used during the Ice Storm of 1998 and the 1998 floods. Firefighters were on duty around the clock during these incidents.

The Board of Commissioners has allowed the fire department to add and replace fire equipment as it has become necessary. This year the Commissioners made several changes to the fire station adding carpet and linoleum to the station and other maintenance items.

As the Assistant Chief of the Center Ossipee Fire Department, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the firefighters for their time which they have spent providing the highest level of fire protection to the Center Ossipee Precinct.

Lastly, I would like to thank the citizens of the town for their support of the fire department provided through their tax dollars. I would also like to thank the other agencies that provide service to others and who work together with the fire department to provide assistance when duty calls.

EMERGENCY CALLS

False Alarms	0	Wires and Fires	15
Bomb Threats	0	Chimney Fires	3
Special Service Calls	10	Miscellaneous Fires	18
Mutual Aid Calls	8	HazMat Calls	8
Station Stand-bys	6	Structure Fires	14
Smoke Investigations	6	Vehicle Fires	14
Fire Alarms	18	Wood and Brush Fires	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	Carbon Monoxide Calls	1

TOTAL CALLS 128

Respectfully submitted,
Michael D. Brownell
Center Ossipee Assistant Chief

BIRTHS REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF OSS�PEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

Name of Child	Date of Birth	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
Anderson, Madison Jade	10/11/98	David C. Anderson	Margaret Irene Owens	Wolfeboro
Arsenault, Chelsea Elizabeth	06/26/98	Paul Arsenault	Sheila Arsenault	Wolfeboro
Avery, Colt Jacob William	10/28/98	Lewis Avery	Kathleen Avery	Laconia
Billings, Savannah Rose	10/15/98	Conduct Moore Billings	Debra Ann Plummer	Laconia
Billings, Sheldon Ryan	10/15/98	Conduct Moore Billings	Debra Ann Plummer	Laconia
Corcoran, McKleary Dane	05/22/98	Robert Holmes Corcoran Jr.	Debra Elizabeth Esposito	Wolfeboro
Custeau, Frank Eli Jr.	11/30/98	Frank Eli Custeau	Anna Marie Baldwin	Wolfeboro
Dore, Skylia Morgan	09/17/98	George Lawrence Dore	Jennifer Anne Deal	North Conway
Drew, Courtney Frances	10/21/98	Daniel Steven Drew	Terri Lee Brooks	Wolfeboro
Eldridge, Hope Danielle	12/27/98	Jeremy Eldridge	Dorothy Eldridge	Wolfeboro
Flanders, Amethyst Rose	10/01/98	Donald Warren Flanders Jr.	Tressa Jean Custeau	Wolfeboro
Glidden, Gracie Marie	06/18/98	Robert James Glidden	Jessica Marie Short	Wolfeboro
Hill, Brycen Taite	01/18/98	Richard Wayne Hill	Starr Leita Seamans	No. Conway
Lehman, Benjamin James	07/14/98	James William Lehman	Maureen Patricia Russo	Wolfeboro
Marotta, Damon Richard II	12/19/98	Damon Richard Marotta	Emily Erica Bismarck	No. Conway
Mitchell, Steven Arthur III	08/29/98	Steven A. Mitchell II	Alicia Ruth Rudolph	Wolfeboro
Nason, Kaylee Shaye	08/17/98	Todd Michael Nason	Cynthia Lynette Maggard	Wolfeboro
Place, Hannah Rose	09/01/98	Harold Place	Janis Peterson-Place	Beverly, MA
Reed, Nathan Paul	05/22/98	Eugene L. Reed Jr.	Kimberly Estes	Wolfeboro
Rogers, Francesca Marie	06/24/98	Norman Foster Rogers	Gina Jo-Anna Barbaro	Rochester
Schwartz, Collin Raye	05/19/98	Peter Glen Schwartz	Angela Marie Champney	Wolfeboro
Seeley, Samuel Raymond	12/19/98	Raymond Harold Seeley	Susan Jean Gaudet	No. Conway
Swansburg, Nicholas Stephen	07/18/98	Stephen Gerard Swansburg	Sacha Miai Eldridge	No. Conway
Walker, Cordelia Grace	01/09/98	Charles Walker	Judith Walker	Rochester
Wilson, Bradley Brian	11/14/98	Brian Kevin Wilson	Terri Lea Carlton	Wolfeboro

MARRIAGES REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF OSSISPEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

Name of the Groom	Residence of the Groom	Name of the Bride	Residence of the Bride	Date of Marriage
Adjutant, Norman M.	Ossipee	Carpenter, Lisa M.	Ossipee	09/05/98
Beckwith, Brian Derek	Ctr. Ossipee	Brown, Lorale Ann Wedge	Ctr. Ossipee	12/24/98
Brown, Steven Lawrence	Effingham	Williss, Tammy Marie	Effingham	08/29/98
Coates III, Benjamin L.	Ossipee	White, Nancy Jean	Ossipee	06/27/98
Coates, Dennis John	Ctr. Ossipee	Billings, Toby Leigh	Ctr. Ossipee	03/28/98
Daniels, Kirk Michael	Ossipee	Ploof, Denise Cassandra	Ossipee	10/03/98
Fogarty, John Edward IV	Ctr. Ossipee	Demers, Juliann Marie	Ctr. Ossipee	09/19/98
Fournier, Michael A.	West Ossipee	Miller, Pamela J.	West Ossipee	10/24/98
Fuentes, Edwin	Williamantic, CT	Daley, Jennifer M.	Ossipee	04/03/98
Furlong, Edward Charles III	Bartlett, NH	Riley, Cheryl A. Feener	Ossipee	09/08/98
Gallant, Thomas Reed	Ctr. Ossipee	Grant, Meg Alissa	Ctr. Ossipee	10/31/98
Glidden, Robert J.	Wolfeboro	Short, Jessica Marie	Ossipee	03/28/98
Hansen, Neil Eric	Westbrook, CT	Fowler, Krisha Ann	Westbrook, CT	09/06/98
Hilbert, Mark Russell	Wolfeboro	Clifford, Wanda Lee Edwards	Wolfeboro	07/24/98
Hodge, Marcus John	Concord	Burton, Heather Renee	Concord	10/18/98
Holmes, Curtis J.	Intervale	Rhines, Cindy Lee	Ctr. Ossipee	04/18/98
Huckins, Wesley E.	Ossipee	Avery, Sharon Lyn	Ossipee	03/07/98
Jodlowski, Christopher Thomas	Tuckahoe, NY	Prudhomme, Sheila Marie	Tuckahoe, NY	10/09/98
Johnson, Dale Grover	Conway	Burby, Shawnda Lee	Conway	02/15/98
Johnson, Kevin Boyd	Ossipee	Huntress, Eliza Spring	Ossipee	07/25/98
Kelley, Francis Joseph Jr.	Ctr. Ossipee	Dansingburg, Julie Jo	Ctr. Ossipee	07/11/98
Larrabee, Clinton L. III	Sanbornville	Calderone, Gail M. Buss	Sanbornville	09/13/98
Letellier, Kevin Ronald	Manchester	Quinn, Patricia Jean	Ossipee	07/11/98
Little Elk, Myron S.	Weymouth, MA	Winn, Shelly J.	Weymouth, MA	10/23/98
McNally, Robert Norwood Jr.	Tacoma, WA	Pratt, Lara Meredith	Tacoma, WA	08/08/98
Meehan, Todd Leon	Ctr. Ossipee	Leach, Amelita Joyce	Ctr. Ossipee	06/05/98

Murphy, Daniel F.	Ossipee	Nardello, Lisa A.	Ossipee	01/30/98
O'Brien, David Robert	Belchertown, MA	Lanphear, Abby Beth	Belchertown, MA	04/18/98
Paraskos, Joshua David	Penacook	Duguay, Nicole Ann	Penacook	09/05/98
Pattison, David E. Jr.	Ossipee	Porter, Deborah A.	Ossipee	12/31/98
Pellerin, Gerald Joseph	Ossipee	Reynolds, Eleanor Marie	Ossipee	07/11/98
Perry, Donald John	Ctr. Ossipee	Fillipon, Donna Marie	Ctr. Ossipee	08/08/98
Plummer, Stephen Jon	Efingham	Jones, Melissa Eleanor	Ossipee	03/31/98
Rejda, Larry Keith	Ossipee	Allen, Jane L. Russell	Ossipee	10/24/98
Robacher, Steven James	Ctr. Ossipee	Morford, Holly Ruth	Ctr. Ossipee	05/23/98
Royea, Christopher Paul	Ctr. Ossipee	Byers, Tammy M. Lepelley	Ctr. Ossipee	10/24/98
Seamans, Robert Michael	Ossipee	Crapo, Stacy Lee	Freedom	09/12/98
Serpa, Michael Joseph	Ossipee	Ghelfi, Rebecca Jane Mahtesian	Ossipee	08/07/98
Shannon, Edwin Shirly	Tamworth	Coffey, Ellen Rachel Potter	Tamworth	07/24/98
Swansburg, Stephen G.	West Ossipee	Palmer, Sacha M. Eldridge	West Ossipee	05/22/98
Swearingin, James Edward	Tamworth	Guty, Carrie Grace Graves	Tamworth	12/26/98
Walsh, Joseph A. Jr.	Concord	Aiton, Elizabeth Glenn	Concord	09/26/98
West, Carl Stuart Jr.	Ossipee	Randall, Rebecca Lynne	Wolfeboro	05/02/98
Westfall, Kurt P.	Ossipee	Cheney, Darlene P.	Sanbornville	06/27/98
Wood, Jeffrey D.	Ctr. Ossipee	Steadman, Laura M. Chouinard	Ctr. Ossipee	06/18/98

DEATHS REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF OSSISPEE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1998

Name	Date of Death	Name of Father / Mother	Place of Death
Bennett, Gaynelle Ardenia	05/06/98	Lewis E. Bennett / Alice M. Stevens	Ossipee
Bickford, Eleanor Helen	02/02/98	Luther Kenney / Helen Lucy	Ossipee
Billings, Debra A.	10/15/98	Clarence R. Plummer Jr. / Louise Underhill	Laconia
Brasier, Margaret Ann	01/16/98	Stephen McDonald / Margaret Keenan	Medway, MA
Brolin, Charles	02/10/98	(Unknown) / (Unknown)	Ossipee
Champion, Walter	03/08/98	(Unknown) / (Unknown)	Natick, MA
Curtis, Katherin Anne	05/05/98	Joseph Champagne / Jaqueline Lassell	Ctr. Ossipee
DiBona, Helen Cheever	12/07/98	Frederick A. Lowell / Jennie Mae Conant	Ossipee
Dore, Lewis Alvah	02/05/98	Walter G. Dore / Alter Adjutant	Ctr. Ossipee
Drew, Philip William	01/29/98	William P. Drew / Lena M. Tappan	Wolfeboro
Duffy, Paul Joseph Jr.	05/20/98	Paul Joseph Duffy Sr. / Virginia Faye Duty	Ossipee
Edwards, John Woodroe	11/15/98	Charles Edwards / Augusta West	Ossipee
Fifield, Charles Russell Sr.	11/26/98	George Fifield / Blanche E. Penney	Ossipee
Flynn, Maynard Earl Jr.	03/22/98	Maynard Earl Flynn Sr. / Myrtle Lucy (Unknown)	Ctr. Ossipee
Foley, Gertrude Mary Theresa	08/04/98	Charles Mansfield / Lillian Buzzell	Ossipee
Frost, Arline Mable	12/22/98	Leonard Nowlin / Mildred Humphrey	Ossipee
Frost, Mildred Rita	09/27/98	Frank Barrett Nason / Henrietta McCarg Emery	Ossipee
Frye, Norman William	01/10/98	George Frye / Catherine Beyerle	Ossipee
Gourmas, Mary Fogg	04/21/98	Thomas Fogg / Edith Soderston	Ossipee
Guiliani, Bruno	02/21/98	Giuseppi (Unknown) Guiliani / Catherine Ardesinno	Ossipee
Hansen, Linda Jean	11/12/98	Chester Webster / Hazel Ames	West Ossipee
Hanson, Kenneth Roland	11/23/98	Lewis Hanson / Karen Canney	Wolfeboro
Harte, William Elliot	07/15/98	Carl John Harte / Mary Doherty	Wolfeboro
Hooper, Eleanor M.	10/28/98	A. Joseph Houle / Ethel M. Cassava	Wolfeboro
Hurd, June T	01/26/98	Leon Turner / Clara Jackson	Portland, ME
Hutchins, Walter Alan	02/08/98	Albert L. Hutchins / Hazel B. Charles	Ossipee
Knowlton, Marjorie Ellen	08/23/98	Grover Griffin / Alice Ruggles	Ossipee
Kusnierz, Mary E.	09/18/98	Byron Fickett / Jessie Hurd	Ossipee

LaFreniere, Anita Rachel	03/19/98	Rudolph Simard / Ernestine LaRoche	Wolfeboro
LaGasse, Rene A.	01/06/98	Alfred LaGasse / Philomene Bourget	Ossipee
Littell, Edith Aileen	01/07/98	Edward Athinson Ring / Rilla W. Clark	Ossipee
Loring, Violet Mae	01/12/98	William Colbroth / Minnie McLaughlin	Ossipee
Macomber, Harry Theodore	01/09/98	Harry P. Macomber / Minnie F. McNay	Ossipee
Magoon, Ethel Wiggan	03/23/98	John H. Harmon / Georgie Frost	Wolfeboro
Manning, Marian Anita	02/18/98	Charles Walker / Ann Baird	Ossipee
Marchand, Scott Eliot	12/31/98	Robert Edgar Marchand / Evelyn Pearl Minor	Ossipee
McDuffee, Martha Boyden	04/01/98	Elmer Nelson Boyden / Esther Butler	Ossipee
McKinnon, Patricia Violet	04/28/98	Everett Stuart / Agnes Shirriff	Ossipee
McLaughlin, Lois Cudhea	02/20/98	William Cudhea / Ruby Mae Sanders	Ossipee
Miller, Carroll C.	02/21/98	Archibald Miller / Elizabeth B. Olive	Ossipee
Miller, Doris H.	04/15/98	Albert W. Stewart / Sadie S. Burkett	Ossipee
Moore, Paul Frederick	05/11/98	Herbert Moore / (Unknown)	Manchester
Mylius, Marjorie	04/24/98	Louis Mylius / Ethel Crossley	Porter, ME
Nason, Doris L.	05/06/98	John Jewell / Emma Mae Thomes	Ossipee
Oxner, Helen Gertrude	01/27/98	Carroll Dunbar / Esther Curtis	Wolfeboro
Patch, Agnes	06/20/98	Albert Bellavance / Emelda Desbiens	Ossipee
Piper, Gary S.	02/06/98	Clinton Piper / Gloria Scott	(Unknown), FL
Reis, Manuel P.	09/25/98	Joseph Reis / Angilina Lopes	Wolfeboro
Ryan, Beatrice Mae	01/04/98	Harry J. Johnson / Alice M. Drake	Wolfeboro
Sanborn, Rebecca Josephine	11/29/98	Albert G. Pitman / Nellie Clough	Ossipee
Scott, Leslie James	12/16/98	John Jacob Scott / Margaret Hibbs	Ossipee
Simpson, Harry Austin Jr.	08/28/98	Harry Austin Simpson Sr. / Mary Cullen	Ctr. Ossipee
Smith, Marguerite Lillian	03/16/98	John Albert Eastman Smith / Florence Bertha Dearborn	Ossipee
Soanes, Albert Joseph	04/30/98	George Soanes / Catherine Murray	Ossipee
St. Louis, Henry Edward Sr.	09/22/98	Edward St. Louis / Eva Becotte	Ossipee
Stockbridge, Lavinia Affie	08/21/98	Earl T. Merrow Sr. / Flora Templeton	Ctr. Ossipee
Treamer, Percy Vincent James Valentine	08/09/98	Matthew George Treamer / Susannah Isabella Matthews	West Ossipee
Vittum, Merton Clark	11/29/98	Herbert Vittum / Alice Clark	Wolfeboro
Wiley, Beverly Sherwood	01/11/98	Walter Sherwood / Florence Moorhouse	Ossipee
Willard, Shawn Edward	05/15/98	Edward Willard / Rose Hamel	Ossipee

ASSESSING & SELECTMEN'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Fri 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Tuesday 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

(603) 539-4181

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

(603) 539-4181

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2nd Wednesday - 7:30 PM

(603) 539-4181

DOG WARDEN

James Elcock - (603) 539-4955

Ossipee Police Dept. - (603) 539-2011

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monthly Meetings - Tuesdays

(603) 539-4181

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

June 27 - September 12

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday - 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Thursday Evening - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

INCINERATOR

Mon - Sat - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

(Permit Fee \$10 - Selectmen's Office)

(603) 539-4121

LIBRARY

Monday - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday & Wednesday - 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday & Saturday - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

(Summer: Saturday - 9:00 AM - Noon)

(603) 539-6390

PLANNING BOARD

1st Tuesday - 7:00 PM - Formal Meeting

3rd Tuesday - 7:00 PM - Informal Meeting

2nd, 4th, 5th Tuesday - Work Sessions as Needed

(603) 539-4181

RECREATION DEPARTMENT HOURS

As needed - Answering Machine

(603) 539-1307

TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Fri - 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

(603) 539-2008

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT

(603) 539-7150

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

2nd Tuesday - 7:00 PM

(603) 539-4181

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mon. Evenings - 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

(603) 539-4181

