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TOWN OF BOSCAWEN

ANNUAL REPORT

1996



BOSCAWEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Boscawen's students were once in one-room schools all over town, then the Plains and Main Street Schools; and now have a state-of-the-art school building — the envy of many!

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

17 High Street, Boscawen NH 03303; Phone 796-2426; Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thomas Danko; Douglas R. Supry; Theodore J. Houston, Jr., Chairman; Sherlene B. Fisher, Adm.

Assist; Tracy Jo Hoar, Secretary

Selectmen's Meetings are held at 17 High Street on the 2nd and 4th Wed. of each month at 4:00 PM.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

16 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303

Kenneth Marshall, Chairman Robert Knowlton, Zoning Officer; Phone 796-2105; Office phone 796-2478; Tammy Miner, Secretary; 796-2426;

Secretary hours Wed-Thurs 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Town Office, Zoning Board Meetings are held at 16 High St. on 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM

PLANNING BOARD

16 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303

Greg Placy, Chairman; Phone 796-2439

Office phone 796-2478; Tammy Miner, Secretary; 796-2426; Secretary hours Wed-Thurs 8:00 AM-12:00 PM at Town Office.

Planning Board Meetings are held at 16 High Street on 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM

TREASURER-BOOKKEEPER

Patricia Knight; Office phone: 796-2343

TAX COLLECTOR

Phyllis Hewey, 17 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303; Phone 796-2426; Office hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM and 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

TOWN CLERK

Anne Hardy, 17 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303; Phone: 796-2426; Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM and 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM and Wed. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Richard Hollins, 13 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH 03303 Phone: 796-2207

BOSCOWEN TRANSFER STATION

Marlboro Road; Hours: Wednesday and Saturday 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM (Dump sticker required - obtained at the Town Office)

POLICE DEPARTMENT

David Croft, Chief, 19 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303; Phone: 796-2277; Norma Houston, Clerk/Dispatcher; Phone 911 (Emergency)

HEALTH OFFICER

John Dagata; Phone 796-2609

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Earl Houston; Phone: 796-2316

HUMAN SERVICES OFFICER

Evelyn W. Beaully; Phone: 796-2426

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Roland "Joe" Bartlett, Chief, 17 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303
Burning Permits - Contact: Joe Bartlett, 796-2157; Ray Fisher, 796-2498

TOWN MODERATOR

Rick A. Trombly

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Stanley Ford, Chairman; Virginia Irwin; Carl S. Glover, Sr.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Barbara Keegan, Librarian

Main Library, 248 King Street, Boscawen, NH 03303, Phone: 796-2442, Hours: Tuesday 1:30 PM - 6:30 PM and Thursday 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Branch Library, 71 North Main Street, Boscawen, NH 03303, Phone: 753-8576, Hours: Monday 2:30 PM - 6:30 PM and Wednesday 2:30 PM - 7:00 PM

BOSCOWEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Dawn Berry, Minister, 12 High Street, Boscawen, NH 03303; Phone 796-2565

POST OFFICE

Laura Lane, Postmistress; 228 King Street, Boscawen, NH 03303

Hours: Monday-Friday 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM; Saturday 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

LIFE SAFETY CODE OFFICER

Harold Hamilton; Phone 796-2426; or Phone 753-9451 (after 5:00 PM)

GENEALOGICAL/HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Dorothy Sanborn, 796-2582 (summer residence); 796-2211 (winter residence); Henrietta Kenney, 796-2960; Virginia Colby, 225-3122; Ronald Reed, 796-2236; Cynthia Houston, President Boscawen Historical Society, 796-2660

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Michele Tremblay, Chairperson
Conservation Commission Meetings are held at 16 High St. on 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM

PENACOOK-BOSCOWEN WATER PRECINCT

9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH 03303; Phone: 796-2206; Sheila Gagnon, Bookkeeper; Office hours: Wednesday 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM; Laura Lane, Secretary; Kathryn Reed, Treasurer

TOWN MEETINGS

Held 2nd Tuesday of March, Boscawen Town Hall

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

POLICE 911

FIRE/RESCUE 911

Town

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Boscawen

Annual Report

DEDICATION



PATRICIA C. KNIGHT

Pat Knight was elected Town Treasurer in 1975 and appointed Town Bookkeeper or accountant in 1973. Her accuracy in maintaining precise records of the Town's finances has been shown by positive comments by the auditing firm when conducting the yearly audits. She has carefully guarded our resources with a diligent eye and pen. When we were in need of money, she would shop around and obtain the cheapest possible rates for our TAN (Tax Anticipation Notes). On more than one occasion, she has let the Board of Selectmen know what the correct procedure or practice is. Her guidance will be missed as will her ready smile.

We are pleased to dedicate our 1996 Annual Report to her.

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TOWN OFFICERS 1996

MODERATOR	Rick Trombly
SELECTMEN	
Theodore J. Houston, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1997
Thomas Danko	Term expires 1998
Douglas R. Supry	Term expires 1999
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	Sherlene Fisher
SELECTMEN'S SECRETARY	*Jodi Dube Tracy Jo Hoar
TOWN CLERK	Anne Hardy 1996
TREASURER	Patricia Knight 1996
COLLECTOR OF TAXES	Phyllis Hewey

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Stanley Ford, Chairman
Virginia Irwin
Carl S. Glover, Sr.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief David Croft	Sergeant Peter Shephard
Officer Timothy Beers	Officer Scott Leppard

Special Officers:

George Cushman	Robert Bunnell
James Lavery	Peter Brigham
Brendan Merchant	
PD—Clerk/Dispatcher	Elizabeth N. Houston

HEALTH OFFICER	John Dagata
HUMAN SERVICES OFFICER	Evelyn W. Beaully
LIFE SAFETY OFFICER	Harold Hamilton

* Resigned

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Norma Glover	Term expires 1997
Todd West, Chairman	Term expires 1997
Mary Weeks	Term expires 1998
Dorothy Sanborn	Term expires 1999
Alma Dean	Term expires 1999

FOREST FIRE WARDEN Roland Bartlett—Appointed

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Ray Fisher	**Robert York
Mark Bailey	Peter Kenney
Timothy Kenney	Gus Swenson

OFFICIAL WEIGHERS

Robert A. Davis	Fred Supry
Agnes M. Marshall	

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Charles Brown	William Bailey, Jr.
Fred Egounis	

FENCE VIEWERS

Ray Fisher	Douglas R. Supry
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TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Kathryn Reed	Term expires 1997
Cynthia Houston	Term expires 1998
Elaine Lavery	Term expires 1999

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Jack W. Pillsbury	Term expires 1997
William Bevans	Term expires 1998
James F. Colby	Term expires 1998
William Heinz	Term expires 1998
Sandra Brodeur	Term expires 1999
Denice DeStefano	Term expires 1999
Ronald Reed, Chairman	Term expires 1999

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR	Richard Hollins—Appointed
Dean Hollins	Timothy Welch
Joel Lorden	

Part time

Bill Calkins	Charlie Westgate
Stanley Ford	

** Retired

SEXTON OF CEMETERIES Richard Hollins—Appointed

TRAILER PARK INSPECTOR Robert Knowlton

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR Earl Houston

PLANNING BOARD

Thomas Danko	Member ex-officio
Katherine Schneider	Term expires April 10, 1997
Robert Knowlton	Term expires May 31, 1997
William Urbach	Term expires June 19, 1997
Denice DeStefano, Vice Chairman	Term expires April 14, 1988
James Aznive	Term expires July 22, 1998
Greg Placy, Chairman	Term expires June 20, 1999

Alternates

William Caswell	Term expires July 17, 1998
Rhoda Hardy	Term expires July 22, 1998
William R. Lambert	Term expires April 18, 1999
Planning Board Secretary	Tammy Miner

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

David Larochelle	Term expires May 6, 1997
Roger Sanborn	Term expires May 6, 1997
Lyman Cousens, Vice Chairman	Term expires October 19, 1998
Kenneth Marshall, Chairman	Term expires May 9, 1999
Maureen Jackson	Term expires August 15, 1999

Alternates

Marie Sherman	Term expires April 16, 1999
Christopher Seufert	Term expires May 9, 1999
Joseph Colby II	Term expires August 23, 1999
Zoning Board Secretary	Tammy Miner

ZONING OFFICER Robert Knowlton

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jack Gagnon	Term expires March 23, 1997
Derek Sawyer	Term expires August 31, 1997
Tammy Pepler	Term expires October 28, 1997
Joel White, Chairman	Term expires May 27, 1998
Susan Earnshaw	Term expires June 1, 1998
William Lambert	Term expires April 22, 1999
James Moore	Term expires May 6, 1999
Thomas Danko	Member ex-officio

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Charles Jaworski	Term expires 1997
*Charles Niebling	Term expires 1997
Norman LaPierre	Term expires 1997
James F. Colby	Term expires 1998
Adrian Pouliot	Term expires 1998
Michael Jette	Term expires 1998
Michele Tremblay, Chairperson	Term expires 1999
Ray Powelson	Term expires 1999

Alternates

John A. Colby	Term expires 1997
James MacCartney	Term expires 1999

POLICE COMMISSION

Claire Clarke, Chairperson	Term expires 1997
Norma Heinz	Term expires 1997
Donald F. Welcome	Term expires 1998
John Lemeris	Term expires 1999
Edward Maloof	Term expires 1999
Douglas R. Supry	Member ex-officio

RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Brenda Bartlett	Term expires 1997
Thomas Danko	Term expires 1997
Sandra Brodeur	Term expires 1998
Ray Powelson	Term expires 1998
George Flanders	Term expires 1999
Rhoda Hardy	Term expires 1999
Janet Moore	Term expires 1999

BOSCAWEN CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Donald F. Welcome, Chairman	Term expires 1997
William J. Amaral	Term expires 1998
Dorothy Sanborn	Term expires 1999

UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Michele Tremblay	Term expires 1997
Stephen L. Landry	Term expires 1998

BOSCAWEN'S REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

Kenneth Marshall
169 North Main Street
Boscawen, NH 03303
753-4269

Stephen DeStephano
7 Sharon Drive
Bow, NH 03304
224-3377

Eric Anderson
4 River Road
Bow, NH 03303
228-0448

Patricia Krueger
1 Tenney Hill Road
Dunbarton, NH 03045
774-4554

*resigned

The State of New Hampshire
TOWN WARRANT

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00 AM TO 7:00 PM

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Boscawen in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Boscawen on Tuesday, the Eleventh day of March, 1997, at Eight of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To see what action the Town will take with respect to the proposed amendments to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:
 - A. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 1, to the Zoning Ordinance as follows: add the words "except when granted by special exception" to the first sentence of Article 6.01(b) such that the section would read "Where a commercial or industrial use abuts a parcel of land zoned AR, R1, or R2, no commercially or industrially used building shall be located within fifty (50) feet of the abutting land zoned AR, R1, or R2 except when granted by special exception. The amendment would allow the Zoning Board of Adjustment to reduce the 50 feet setback to as little as 10 feet when the Board finds that the setback is unnecessary or serves no purpose. (Ballot Vote) The Planning Board recommends this amendment.
 - B. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 2, submitted by petition to the Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Boscawen such that Lot 123 of Map 79, located at 85 Daniel Webster Highway (also known as "Jim's Place and Shady Pines"), owned by James Jones and Mary Nolette, would be changed from the Residential 1 (R1) zone district to the Industrial (I) zone district. (Ballot Vote) The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

You are further notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Boscawen on Tuesday, the Eleventh day of March, next at 7:30 PM to act upon the following subjects:

3. To see if the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,304,296 which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special articles addressed. (Majority vote required)
Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$21,800 for the purchase of a police cruiser. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

5. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Highway Dump Truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be placed in this fund. (Majority vote required).

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

6. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovations to the Town Hall and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in this fund. Such renovations to include the kitchen, ceiling replacement and painting. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

7. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for a Generator to operate the Fire, Police and Town Office in case of emergency and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in this fund. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Town Tennis Courts Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for improvements to the Historical Society Buildings. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$19,500 to help support the Penacook Rescue Squad for its emergency medical services and rescue operations for the Town. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$6,489 for the services of Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$3,976 for services to low-income residents of Boscawen through the Concord Area Center Community Action Program, Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$3,800 toward the operating expenses of the Penacook Community Center. (Majority vote required)
Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
15. Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Boscawen, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years \$10,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$15,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$20,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$19,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$28,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. (Ballot vote) (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Selectmen.
16. 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)
17. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to N.H. RSA 41:11-a, to ratify a long-term (more than one year) lease ("The Lease") of Town-owned property entered into between the Selectmen (on behalf of the Town) and Bell Atlantic NYNEX Mobile ("BANM") The Lease is of a portion of Town-owned property near the top of Knowlton Hill sufficient to locate a 350 square foot equipment shelter, along with a wireless communications tower to be constructed by BANM together with access to the facility. There shall be up to a 5,000 square foot fenced compound to secure the tower and accompanying equipment storage. The tower structure shall also be used for Town communications needs at no rental charge to the Town, with excess space to be leased to other tower users. Lease and sublease revenues due to the Town will be earmarked for the Town's general fund to reduce taxes. (Majority vote required)
18. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety six.

SELECTMEN OF BOSCAWEN

Douglas R. Supry
Thomas Danko
Theodore J. Houston, Jr.

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

SELECTMEN OF BOSCAWEN

Douglas R. Supry
Thomas Danko
Theodore J. Houston, Jr.

11th March, 1997

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the Inhabitants within named, to meet at time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the Town Hall, Town Office and Carey's Market being a public place in said Town, on the 11th day of February, 1997.

SELECTMEN OF BOSCAWEN

Douglas R. Supry
Thomas Danko
Theodore J. Houston, Jr.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The saying goes something like “what goes around, comes around” and that is what happened in Boscawen this year. In August, Old Home Day “came around” after a two year absence. It came back with a great parade, an ice cream social/open house at the Historical Society and many activities, presentations and awards at the Community Park throughout the afternoon and evening. Hopefully, the activities will continue this year — we understand bigger and better things are in the works.

On the front cover of this report, you have a picture of the new award-winning Boscawen Elementary School. The children will have been in this great place to learn one year as of March 4th. This facility has been a great improvement for your children to grasp the many skills necessary to be successful in the 21st century. The volunteer effort spearheaded by Grappone Auto Junction added a super playground to the site.

In real estate they say the main factors in selling a house are “location, location, location”. In solid waste they should be “recycle, recycle, recycle”. In spite of some continued recycling and very little population change, our tonnage shipped to the incinerator continued to increase from 1991-1995 by about 200 tons or approximately \$1,560.00 annually. The recycled glass, paper and cans totalled 86 tons in 1996 or approximately \$3,354.00 saved in tipping fees. With more recycling of paper, glass and cans, we could realize considerable savings, your help will save us and you many dollars.

Hopefully we will continue our plan of putting aside money in capital reserve accounts for expenditures that would otherwise cause us to have “spikes” in year to year budgets. With the advanced allocations we are able to make necessary expenditures with comparatively level budgets. The most recent result of capital reserve funding is the new 1996 Ford Public Works Dump truck that was purchased last summer and was in the Old Home Day parade. This truck replaced a 1976 which had given many hours and miles of service and has been a great addition.

You will notice that in the Police budget there is a line item to accept a federal grant that would pay 75% of an additional police officer's expenses over 3 years (100% the first year). We feel that this is the time for the Town to become a five man force.

The number of calls for service and the need to become proactive as opposed to reactive brings the Board strongly behind the request for acceptance of this proposal.

Our Town employees are the backbone of providing services to us all and are what makes things click. We have lost or are going to lose three of our long time employees. Elizabeth N. (Norma) Houston is retiring after 9 plus years as Clerk/Dispatcher at the Police station. Patricia Knight has had 25 plus years as Accountant/Treasurer and Robert York with over 40 years with the Boscawen Fire Department most recently serving as Deputy Chief. As was recently said to one of them, “there may be someone put in your

position but **you can't be replaced**".

There is no better way to say it than was said last year so we'll repeat it. The volunteer spirit is alive and well in Boscawen. Many tasks would not be accomplished if not for volunteers to maintain our strengths and gains. The numerous boards and committees continue to seek replacements. New ideas and differences in opinion are always welcome. Do not hesitate to share them. You can do this by contacting one of the Selectmen, a board or committee member or by coming into the Town Office. As always we seek and appreciate your help.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Danko
Douglas R. Supry
Theodore J. Houston, Jr., Chairman

1997 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN

	Appropriations 1996 (1996-97)	Actual Expenditures 1996 (1996-97)	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year (1997-98)
General Government			
Executive	91,828	88,503	99,626
Elec., Reg., & Vital Stat.	23,768	23,396	21,966
Financial Administration	46,801	46,402	47,425
Legal Expense	18,000	14,592	18,000
Personnel Administration	136,000	128,236	128,000
Planning and Zoning	14,455	12,161	14,595
General Government Building	8,008	9,176	7,862
Cemeteries	4,800	3,998	2,300
Insurance	38,000	31,320	36,000
Advertising and Reg. Assoc.	2,300	2,142	2,300
Public Safety			
Police	193,937	195,217	234,821
Fire	62,496	64,077	66,422
Building Inspection	2,546	2,283	2,459
Emergency Management	1,790	1,758	2,725
Highways and Streets			
Admin., Highways and Streets	194,072	197,654	202,702
Street Lighting	14,500	13,668	14,500
Sanitation			
Solid Waste Disposal	120,200	115,951	119,900
Solid Waste Collection	30,000	30,000	30,000
Health			
Admin. & Pest Control	2,020	2,215	2,072
Welfare			
Admin. Direct Assistance	2,600	2,632	2,672
Vendor Payments & Other	25,000	17,253	25,000
Culture and Recreation			
Parks and Recreation	11,765	8,954	16,990
Library	21,069	22,864	20,059
Patriotic Purposes	1,900	1,782	1,900
Conservation			
Admin. & Purchases	1,000	306	1,000
Debt Service			
Interest on TANs	25,000	13,183	20,000

1997 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN

	Appropriations 1996 (1996-97)	Actual Expenditures 1996 (1996-97)	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year (1997-98)
Operating Transfers Out			
To Enterprise Fund			
Sewer	163,000	163,000	163,000
Subtotal	1,256,855	1,212,723	1,304,296
Police Cruiser	21,750	21,750	21,800
Historical Soc. Improv.	2,000	2,000	3,000
Penacook Rescue	19,500	19,500	19,500
Visiting Nurse Assn.	6,489	6,489	6,489
Community Action Pro.	3,976	3,976	3,976
Penacook Comm. Ctr.	3,800	3,800	3,800
Subtotal			<u>58,565</u>
Hwy. Dump Truck	61,500	61,255	15,000
Renova.-Town Hall	12,000	10,830	4,000
Generator			4,000
Fire Truck	20,000	20,000	20,000
Town Tennis Courts	15,000	15,000	15,000
Subtotal			<u>58,000</u>

**1997 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN
SOURCES OF REVENUE**

	Estimated- Revenue Prior Year (1996-97)	Actual Revenue Prior Year (1996-97)	Estimated Revenue Ending Year (1997-98)
Taxes			
Land Use Change Taxes	2,500	11,000	6,000
Resident Tax		30	
Yield Taxes	8,000	13,790	11,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	191,244	330,219	64,460
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	22,000	18,958	18,900
Licenses, Permits and Fees			
Business Licenses and Permits	50	40	40
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	270,000	289,462	300,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	9,000	9,427	9,000
From State			
Shared Revenue	55,021	55,021	55,021
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	51,493	51,493	56,379
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	729	729	729
Other (Including Railroad Tax)	670	1,489	28,729
From Other Governments	500	232	200
Charges For Services			
Income from Departments	10,000	14,594	10,000
Other Charges	2,400	2,345	2,400
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	500	850	500
Interest on Investment	8,000	9,822	9,800
Other	43,032	50,784	21,370
Interfund Operating Transfers In			
Special Revenue Funds	16,385	25,871	25,871
Enterprise Fund			
Sewer	163,000	163,000	163,000
Capital Reserve Fund	30,000	31,921	0
Trust & Agency Funds	700	950	950
Other Financing Sources			
Amounts Voted From "Surplus"			300,000
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		200,000	
Total Revenues & Credits	885,224	1,282,027	1,084,349
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			\$1,420,861
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes			1,084,349
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School & County Taxes)			336,512

BOSCAWEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF

Roland D. Bartlett

DEPUTY CHIEFS

Ray R. Fisher

**Robert York

Mark Bailey

Captains

Peter Kenney

Gus Swenson

Lieutenants

Timothy Kenney

Dix Bailey

Engineer

Ronald McDaniel

Clerk/Treasurer

John Ayers

Joshua McKerley

William G. Bailey, IV

Joshua Nixon

Timothy Beers

Paul O'Keefe

**Lester Colby

Alan Perkins

Jon S. Dymont

Craig Perkins

Frederick Egounis

Eric Pouliot

Daniel Fisher

Shawn Stevens

Michael Fisher

Jeffrey S. Sweeney

Peter Fisher

*Michael T. Sweeney

Carl S. Glover, Jr.

**Michael W. Sweeney

*Alain Godbout

Gregory R. Taylor

Carlos Goncalves

James Tomlin

Thomas Gullage

Corey Welcome

*John A. Hill

*Richard Young, Jr.

Reginald LaClair

*Resigned

**Retired

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

February 10, 1997

The Budget Committee met on two occasions to review the 1997 proposed budget, to discuss the budget requests of the Department Heads, and to review the Town Warrant. These meetings resulted in the proposed budget and warrant as printed in the annual report.

The Selectmen and the Department Heads submitted very conservative budgets for the coming year and few changes were suggested. The highlights of the 1997 proposed budget are as follows:

- On average, a 3% salary increase following the step guidelines of the Town's salary scales.
- A new copier for the Town Office.
- Addition of a 5th police officer. Federal grant monies have been requested by the Police Chief to cover the majority of the costs of the 5th officer for a three year period.
- Body work on one fire engine to repair rust.
- The purchase of a new riding lawn mower for the town park, cemeteries, etc.
- Continued maintenance on the Library buildings.

The 1997 operating budget represents an increase over last year's budget of \$47,441 or 4.3%. However, when including the special articles, it represents a decrease of 1% from last year's figures. The 1997 operating budget is supported fully by the Budget Committee.

Three other topics of discussion at this year's meetings are worthy of inclusion in this report. First, the credits received in 1996 from the operation of the Transfer Station totaled over \$26,000. These credits consisted of approximately half from recycling income! Then, when you take into account not having to pay tipping fees on the recycled trash, this amounts to an additional \$10,000 in avoided expenses! It pays to recycle!

The second topic of discussion surrounded the Town Library. The Budget committee applauded the efforts of the Library Trustees for their pro-active building maintenance. These two town buildings are looking great. In 1998, as the maintenance expenses return to their normal level, the Library Trustees were urged to look at offering new services, such as books on cassette and educational videos, as well as beginning to computerize the library collection. To the Library Trustees: "Keep up the good work!"

Lastly, in 1996, the Town moved forward with the renovation of the bathrooms at the Town Hall. This was a long overdue and much needed renovation. Now we need to focus on the remainder of the Town Hall facility. The kitchen, ceiling, and walls are in desperate need of

updating. For this purpose a warrant article has been included to establish a capital reserve fund to save for this renovation. We recommend your support of this article.

- Ronald Reed, Chairman
- William Bevans
- Sandra Brodeur
- James Colby
- Denice DeStefano
- William Heinz
- Jack Pillsbury

**BOSCAWEN TOWN MEETING
MARCH 12, 1996**

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Moderator Rick Trombly, who read the warrant and declared the polls would stay open until 7:00 PM.

A motion was made by Thomas Danko to hold action on Articles 3 through 17 until the ballots were counted in the evening.

Ballot Clerks were Marie Sherman, Earl Houston, Mary Weeks and Barbara Holmes.

Polls closed at 7:00 PM. The votes were counted and the results were:

Selectman - 3 years	Douglas Supry	178
Town Clerk - 1 year	Anne S. Hardy	192
Town Treasurer - 1 year	Patricia C. Knight	193
Supervisor of Checklist - 6 years	Carl S. Glover, Sr.	193
Trustee of Library Funds - 3 years	Alma M. Dean	157
Trustee of Library Funds - 3 years	Dorothy Sanborn	157
Trustee of Trust Funds - 3 years	Elaine Lavery	127
(write-in)		
Moderator - 2 years	Rick Trombly	194
Cemetery Trustee - 3 years	Dorothy Sanborn	181
Town Clerk 3 year term	Yes	167
(special ballot)	No	31

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 202

Regular Ballots: 201; Absentee Ballots: 1

Town Clerk Term: 198

The evening meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Moderator Rick Trombly, who gave the results of the balloting.

The Moderator announced the rules for the meeting. He noted that Roberts Rules of Order would be followed.

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

Official Weighers. Douglas Supry moved to re-elect the incumbents as listed in the Annual Report. Roland Bartlett seconded. Motion passed.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber. Ronald Reed moved to re-elect the incumbents as listed in the Annual Report. Claire Clarke seconded. Motion passed.

Fence viewers. Roland Bartlett moved to re-elect the incumbents as listed in the Annual Report. Ronald Reed seconded. Motion passed.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to change the term of the Town Clerk from one year to three years. (Special ballot)

YES 167

NO 31

ARTICLE 3. To see if the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,259,031 which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special articles addressed. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Michele Tremblay moved to accept Article 3 as read. Claire Clarke seconded.

Dorothy Sanborn amended the article by reducing the sum by \$2,176. The \$1,726 is automatic because the new secretary would be, of course, starting at the lower figure. The \$450 to be paid to the Trustees of Trust Funds is an insult to the 65 other volunteers. There are 65+/- people serving on town boards giving their time and expertise and not too many thank you's. I thought the Budget Committee was an astute group and that they would have picked up on that, maybe they didn't know anything about it. Therefore, my motion is to amend the 1996 budget by reducing it by \$2,176. Donald Welcome seconded.

Rick Trombly made note that the new budget figure would be \$1,256,855. Article 3 was adopted as amended.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$21,750 for the purchase of a police cruiser. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Claire Clarke moved to accept Article 4 as read. Donald Welcome seconded. There being no discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$61,500 to purchase a Highway Dump Truck and authorize the withdrawal of \$30,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of \$31,500 is to come from general taxation. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Ronald Reed moved to accept Article 5 as read. Ray Fisher seconded. There being no discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacing a fire truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in this fund. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Douglas Supry moved to accept Article 6 as read. Ray Fisher seconded.

Alan DeStephano wanted to know what the approximate time this figure is for a new truck? Roland Bartlett responded 10 years. Rick Trombly

clarified purchase date or cost? Roland Bartlett responded probably about \$250,000. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of reconstruction of the Town Tennis Courts and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be placed in this fund. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Bruce Grey moved to table Article 7. Motion defeated. Joel White moved to accept Article 7 as read. Tammy Pepler seconded.

Bruce Grey was just trying to figure out why we needed to spend \$45,000 to reconstruct new ones when he understands we're not taking care of the ones we already have. The whole situation down there is not being taken care of. Even all-weather nets need to be taken in, the basketball nets are all torn up, and how many people actually use the facilities? Why does this type of money need to be spent?

Douglas Supry deferred the question to Joel White, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, who has been doing the study on the program.

Joel White answered that the tennis court is a dubious term because it's not just tennis courts. There are two tennis courts, a basketball court and a larger common area that is used for a variety of activities and by a variety of people. As far as an actual count, we don't have a specific number because nobody is down there counting. However, I can tell you that throughout last summer our park and recreation program had 101 children involved that used it on a daily basis. At any time during the summer you can find people down there using those courts for tennis and basketball. Kids are down there playing street hockey and shovel it off to play in the winter. The purpose for reconstruction is because the courts were built in 1979, 17 years ago. They were built with matching funds from a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Because of the NH weather of freeze and thaw we have potholes and cracks in the courts. The problem is actually with the underlayment and not necessarily with the surface. In 1988, Vermont Tennis Courts resurfaced the courts and gave us a quote in November of 1994 of \$40,000 to reconstruct the area. This reconstruction would consist of tearing up the old and constructing as new, as construction has changed dramatically over the last 20 years. If we leave the cracks as is then the water will start to erode the sand underneath. There are also boulders underneath which may shift. It would actually be reconstructed much more modern than when originally built. In terms of the all weather nets, we purchased new ones in 1988 and the manufacturer told us that there is no need to take them in for the winter. Basically, instead of continuing to bandage what we have, which would cost \$20-22,000 and last 3-5 years with no guarantee, we want to reconstruct for \$40,000

which would last 15-25 years. Also, if the freeze is lifted by the Federal Government regarding grants from the NH Department of Resources and Economic Development, we could apply and have some money granted to us as they have a vested interest because we provide open recreation to the general public.

Rick Trombly asked that Joel White make himself available after the meeting for any questions. Douglas Supry moved the question. Ray Fisher seconded. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to pave the Fire Station area and to resurface the Town Office parking lot. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Roland Bartlett moved to accept Article 8 as read. Ray Fisher seconded.

Michele Tremblay asked if this cost included striping? Douglas Supry answered no. Dorothy Sanborn wondered why it was costing so much. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., responded that this was to include paving from the south end of the fire station to in front of the town office and police station to take care of problems such as settling and take care of every bit of paving around the town complex. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to do rest room area renovations at the Town Hall. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Ronald Reed moved to accept Article 8 as read. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., seconded.

Sandra Hardy wondered why it's going to cost so much to do over those tiny little bathrooms. They just put in a new bathroom and didn't spend that much. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., stated there was a diagram on the back wall and if you've ever gone in to either of these and really looked, they are in dire need of something. The problem is that when they start to tear out there is no idea of what problems they may find. While we are doing them, we should have one handicapped accessible, therefore, should meet any ADA requirements. People have looked to some extent and they are concerned as to what they will find when they go even further. The \$12,000 includes material that is necessary to redo them completely and give us a handicapped facility.

Michele Tremblay further wanted to know if one could remain intact for historical reasons. Douglas Supry answered that because of the size and layout of the existing rooms, it would be nearly impossible to renovate one and not disturb the other. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., added that it has been a considerable challenge to people to look at this area

and try to figure how they're going to get one handicapped bathroom in such a small space. But, we think we have a plan that will work.

Jeff Jones wondered if the \$12,000 estimate was close to the actual cost? Theodore J. Houston, Jr., responded that it would go out to bid, but it should be close to the \$12,000 figure.

Ronald Reed just wanted to say that the budget committee supports this and has talked about it for 3 years and is glad to see it finally in here. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$19,500 to help support the Penacook Rescue Squad for its emergency medical services and rescue operations for the Town. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Michele Tremblay moved to accept Article 10 as read. Dorothy Sanborn seconded. There being no discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$6,489 for the services of Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Claire Clarke moved to accept Article 11 as read. Donald Welcome seconded. There being no discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$3,976 for services to low-income residents of Boscawen through the Concord Area Center Community Action Program, Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Donald Welcome moved to accept Article 12 as read. Denise DeStefano seconded. There being no discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$3,800 toward the operating expenses of the Penacook Community Center. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Joel White moved to accept Article 13 as read. Claire Clarke seconded. There being no discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$2,000 for improvements to the Historical Society Building. Selectmen and a majority of the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Dorothy Sanborn moved to pass over. Motion defeated. Ronald Reed moved to accept Article 14 as read. Tammy Pepler seconded.

Dorothy Sanborn mentioned that if we give money to the Historical Society, which is not a town owned property, then what's to stop

Egounis', Carey's, the Art Association and others from wanting money for improvements? Theodore J. Houston, Jr., noted that it is not a town building, but insurance coverage can cost \$1,200. Ronald Reed mentioned that if the society ceased to collect, then the town would receive everything in it. Most of the items have been donated by residents and other town groups. Dorothy Sanborn said that it doesn't consider bylaws and is not in any town agreement. I'm against it. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept Depot Street, recently upgraded and reconstructed by the State of NH, as a Class V Highway to be owned and maintained by the Town of Boscawen. Selectmen recommend this article.

Roland Bartlett moved to accept Article 15 as read. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., seconded.

Donald Welcome wanted to know what the town cost would be? Theodore J. Houston, Jr., replied that there is no cost to the town. The state put \$200,000 into 2/10 of a mile of road and we should accept it. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purposes, as permitted by RSA 31:19.

Claire Clarke moved to accept Article 16 as read. Douglas Supry seconded.

Dorothy Sanborn stated that this has been in the town report forever and a day. It doesn't take up much space and it doesn't take time to vote on it, she'd like to see it left in. There being no further discussion, the Article was adopted.

ARTICLE 17. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Michele Tremblay deferred to the Selectmen.

Thomas Danko mentioned that on March 18, there would be an Old Home Day committee meeting. The Parks and Recreation Committee is trying to steer the effort. We welcome anyone to come who is interested in helping.

Thomas Danko also introduced Tracy Jo Hoar, the new secretary/receptionist.

Douglas Supry apologized for the errors in the Town Report. Page 88 has "deceased" instead of "child". The printer has agreed to reprint the page with correct terminology.

James Colby asked about the Tipping Fee figure on page 59. Douglas Supry commented that was an error and decimal point should be moved over to read \$75,000.

Theodore J. Houston, Jr., stated that on page 58 New Construction or Resurface should read \$32,000. (no decimal point in report). On page 43 the printer left out Balance Sheet for Summary of All Other Funds.

Charles Niebling asked for clarification on Payment in Lieu of Taxes. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., stated that according to Mrs. Fisher and our Tax Collector, the main reason we didn't come close to the estimate of \$164,000 is the payment made from Elektrisola didn't make the cut off date of December 31, 1995. We actually only received \$59,000. It doesn't always happen, but did this year.

Michele Tremblay made note that there was a thank you to the town employees for all their efforts and no thank you to the volunteers this year. As Dorothy Sanborn pointed out, there are a lot of people who give a lot of time. Theodore J. Houston, Jr., informed her that she had to read a little further because it is on page 16.

Michele Tremblay also noted that they are trying to revitalize the Heritage Trail. The litigation is over for the railroad corridor and the Conservation Commission is looking to form a subcommittee for all recreational intent such as horseback riding, mountain biking, hiking, snowmobiling and basically any use of the trails. There will be a speaker at the April meeting and anyone interested in the Trail is welcome to come. More details in the Boscawen Newsvine. They could certainly use some help.

Roland Bartlett moved to adjourn the meeting. Donald Welcome seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM, Tuesday, March 12, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne S. Hardy
Town Clerk

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$ 91,828
Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	23,768
Financial Administration	46,801
Revaluation of Property .....	.0
Legal Expense	18,000
Personnel Administration	136,000
Planning and Zoning	14,455
General Government Building	8,008
Cemeteries	4,800
Insurance	38,000
Advertising and Regional Associations	2,300

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	193,937
Ambulance	19,500
Fire	62,496
Bldg. Inspection	2,546
Emergency Management	1,790

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Highways and Streets	194,072
Street Lighting	12,000
Care of Trees	2,500

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	120,200
Sewer-Storm Drains	30,000

HEALTH

Pest Control	100
Health Agencies and Hospitals (VNA)	6,489
Administration	1,920

WELFARE

Intergovernmental Welfare Payments (CAP)	3,976
Vendor Payments	25,000
Administration	2,600

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Parks and Recreation	11,765
Library	21,069
Patriotic Purposes	1,900
Penacook Community Center	3,800

CONSERVATION

Boscawen Historical Society	2,000
Administration	1,000

DEBT SERVICE

Int. TAN	25,000
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CAPITAL OUTLAY

Mach, Veh., & Equip.	83,250
Buildings (Town Hall Renov-Restrooms)	12,000
Improvements Other Than Buildings (Fire Station Parking Lot)	12,000

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

Sewer	163,000
To Capital Reserve Fund	35,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS 1,434,870

SOURCES OF REVENUE

TAXES

Land Use Change Taxes	2,500
Yield Taxes	8,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	191,244
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	22,000

LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES

Business Licenses and Permits	50
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	270,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees (Dogs, State Fees)	9,000

FROM STATE

Shared Revenue	55,021
Highway Block Grant	51,493
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	729
Other (Including Railroad Tax) & Target Block Grant	670

FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT

Intergovernmental Revenues (Fines)500

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Income from Departments10,000

Other Charges (Rent)2,400

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Sale of Municipal Property500

Interest on Investments8,000

Other (Insurance Dividends)43,032

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

Special Revenue Fund (Tipping Fees)16,385

Sewer—163,000

Capital Reserve Fund30,000

Trust and Agency Funds700

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Fund Balance Remaining to be Used to Reduce Taxes200,000

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS\$1,085,224

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Total Town Appropriations	+	1,434,870
Total Revenues and Credits	-	1,085,224
Net Town Appropriations	=	349,646
Net School Tax Assessment(s)	+	2,363,077
County Tax Assessment	+	212,203
Total of Town, School and County	=	2,924,926
DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax Reimbursement	-	82,927
ADD War Service Credits	+	27,100
ADD Overlay	+	50,642
Property Taxes To Be Raised	=	2,919,741

PROOF OF TAX RATE COMPUTATION

$$\text{\$102,447,056} \times 28.50 = \text{\$2,919,741}$$

TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property Taxes to be Raised	2,919,741
Less War Service Credits	27,100
Total Tax Commitment	2,892,641

MUNICIPAL TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

TAX RATES	Net Appropriation	Less BPT	Approved Taxes To Be Raised	Approved Tax Rate 1996	Prior Year Tax Rate 1995
Town	427,388	12,771	414,617	4.05	4.37
County	212,203	3,234	208,969	2.04	2.31
School Dist.	2,363,077	66,922	2,296,155	22.41	19.32
School Dist.		82,927		28.50	26.00

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Boscawen as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

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 Boscawen 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, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Boscawen, as of December 31, 1995, 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.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Boscawen. 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.

*Pladyk & Sanderson
Professional Association*

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Value of Land Only	Acres	1996 Assessed Valuation	Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct
A. Current Use			
(At Current Use Values)	10,464.88	\$ 753,456	\$ 168,337
C. Residential	2,736.48	28,459,000	20,868,095
D. Commercial/Industrial	189.04	3,992,300	3,889,316
E. Total of Taxable Land		33,204,756	24,925,748
Value of Buildings Only			
A. Residential		53,262,400	41,896,714
B. Manufactured Housing		4,843,300	4,728,100
C. Commercial/Industrial		10,063,600	9,872,919
D. Total of Taxable Buildings		68,169,300	56,497,733
Public Utilities			
A. Gas		182,900	182,900
B. Electric		2,156,600	1,777,772
C. Public Service		18,500	
Valuations Before Exemptions		103,732,056	83,384,153
Blind Exemption		30,000	15,000
Elderly Exemption		1,255,000	1,042,300
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		1,285,000	1,057,300
Net Valuations of Which Valuation is Computed		\$102,447,056	82,326,853
Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Taxes			
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land		654	
Other		164,000	

UTILITY SUMMARIES

	Gas	Electric
Concord Electric		2,156,600
Energy North	182,900	
Public Service		18,500
Total	182,900	2,175,100

1996 ELDERLY BREAKDOWN OF ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS

38 at 10,000	380,000
21 at 15,000	315,000
28 at 20,000	560,000
TOTAL	1,255,000

CURRENT USE REPORT

	Section A Granted in Prior Years No. of Acres	Section B Granted for Current Year No. of Acres	Section C Total for Sections A & B No. of Acres
Farm Land	1,817.722		1,781.602
Forrest Land	7,928.991	5.54	7,952.391
Unproductive Land	71.5		71.5
Wet land	658.382		659.382
Total Number of Acres Exempted Under Current Use			10,464.88
Total Number of Acres Taken Out of Current Use During Year			7.0
Total Number of Acres Receiving the 20% Recreational Assessment			7,303.185
Total Number of Owners Granted Current Use Assessment			241

Note: Farmland, Forestland & Wetland A & B do not = C due to reclassification.

TOWN OF BOSCAWEN
Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures
1996

	1996 Appropriation	Receipts & Reimb.	Total Amount Available	1996 Expenditure	Balances Unexpended (Overdrafts)
Appropriations:					
General Government					
Executive	91,828	247	92,075	88,503	3,572
Election, Registration, Town Clerk	23,768		23,768	23,396	372
Financial Admin.	46,801		46,801	46,402	399
Legal	18,000		18,000	14,592	3,408
Personnel Admin.	136,000	15,904	151,904	126,166	25,738
Planning & Zoning	14,455		14,455	12,161	2,294
Buildings	8,008	100	8,108	9,176	1,068
Cemeteries	4,800		4,800	3,998	802
Insurance	38,000		38,000	31,320	6,680
Advertising & Regional Assns.	2,300		2,300	2,142	158
Public Safety					
Police Dept.	193,937	9,075	203,012	195,217	7,795
Penacook Rescue Squad WA #10	19,500		19,500	19,500	
Fire Dept.	62,496	3,575	66,071	64,077	1,994
Life Safety Code	2,546		2,546	2,283	263
Emergency Management	1,790		1,790	1,759	31
Highway & Streets					
Maintenance of Streets	194,072	8,224	202,296	197,654	4,642

Street Lighting	12,000	12,000	11,181	819
Care of Trees	2,500	2,500	2,487	13
Sanitation				
Solid Waste Disposal	120,200	120,200	115,951	4,249
Sewer—Storm Drains	30,000	30,000	30,000	
Health				
Administration	1,920	1,920	1,810	110
Pest Control	100	100	405	305
Other Health—VNA WA #11	6,489	6,489	6,489	
Welfare				
Administration	2,600	2,600	2,632	32
Vendor Payments	25,000	30,238	17,253	12,985
Community Action Program WA #12	3,976	3,976	3,976	
Culture & Recreation				
Parks & Recreation	11,765	11,765	8,954	2,811
Library	21,069	21,069	21,069	
Boscawen Historical Society WA #14	2,000	2,000	2,000	
Patriotic Purposes	1,900	1,900	1,782	118
Penacook Community Center WA #13	3,800	3,800	3,800	
Conservation				
Administration	1,000	1,000	306	694
Debt Service				
Interest—TANS	25,000	25,000	13,183	11,817
Capital Outlay				
Police Cruiser WA #4	21,750	21,750	21,750	
Highway Dump Truck WA #5	61,500	61,500	61,255	245
Restroom Renovations—Town Hall WA #9	12,000	12,000	10,830	1,170
Paving Fire Station & Town Hall Parking Lots WA #8	12,000	12,000	8,841	3,159

Operating Transfers Out
to Capital Resource Fund
re: Fire Truck WA #6
re: Tennis Courts WA #7

20,000
15,000

20,000
15,000

20,000
15,000

TOTALS	42,363	1,314,233	1,219,300	96,338	(1405)
				(1405)	
				94,933	

*Carryover
unexpended

BALANCE SHEET
General Fund
As of December 31, 1996

ASSETS	Beginning	End
Current Assets	of Year	of Year
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 558,478	\$ 756,825
Investments	2,603	1,413
Taxes Receivable	485,157	484,608
Tax Liens Receivable	221,095	202,278
Due from other Governments	27,345	25,275
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	104,904	0
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$1,399,582</u>	<u>\$1,470,399</u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Warrants and Accounts Payable	\$ 22,150	\$12,008
Due to School District	926,950	984,457
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$949,100</u>	<u>\$996,465</u>
 FUND EQUITY		
Unreserved Fund Balance	450,482	473,934
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	<u>\$1,399,582</u>	<u>\$1,470,399</u>

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
As of December 31, 1996

1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings M 81D L21	\$81,800.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
2. Libraries, Lands and Buildings M 81D L12	120,000.00
Furniture, Equipment & Clock	172,735.00
3. Lower End Library/Rescue Bldg. & Land M183C L81	177,200.00
Furniture and Equipment of Library only	65,850.00
4. Police Department M 81D L71	63,500.00
Equipment	50,000.00
5. Fire Department M 81D L71	260,000.00
Equipment	118,628.00
6. Highway Department, Land & Bldg. M 81D L44	84,500.00
Equipment	141,768.00
7. Town Office, Lands & Bldgs. M 81D L71	156,700.00
Equipment	52,000.00
8. Parks, Commons & Playgrounds M 81 L 01/02	239,500.00
9. Sanitary Landfill M 81D L 94	206,700.00
10. Oaklawn Dev. Recreation Area M 79 L 66	4,800.00
11. Greenspace M183C L122 X off Sweatt Street	2,800.00
12. Greenspace M183C L122 Z off Sweatt Street	2,900.00
13. Town Pound, North Water Street M 94 L 41 A	500.00
14. M 81 L 4 off E/S Route 3	7,800.00
15. M 47 L 38 N/S Water Street	30,700.00
16. M 81 D L 37 W/S Route 4 "Schoolhouse Lot"	32,100.00
17. M 83 L 48 A Armstrong Lot off Weir Road	18,800.00
18. M 94 L 19 Land Webster Town Line	1,800.00

19. All Land & Bldgs. Acquired—Tax Collectors Deeds:

M 43 L 2 Barnard/Eastman	105,900.00
M 49 L 13 Land between RR & River	10,000.00
M 49 L 14 off E/S Route 3	14,000.00
M 49 L 15 E/S Route 3	14,400.00
M 49 L 56 Land Off High Street	21,700.00
M 79 L 1 Land off W/S Route 3	9,000.00
M 79 L 87-1 Fairbanks Drive (Road)	1,100.00
M 81 L 17 Land Off E/S Queen Street	7,400.00
M 81 L 19-A Champagne Property	23,000.00
M 81 L 32 Land Queen Street	19,500.00
M 83 L 49 Weir Property	191,700.00
M 83 L 58 Land off W/S/ Queen Street	4,000.00
M183C L 38 S/S Eel Street	8,800.00
M183D L 31 Martin Property	1,200.00
M183D L133 Land off S/S Rte. 93 access	600.00
TOTAL	\$2,528,381.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996

3902	Auto Permits	\$285,300.00
418	Dog Licenses .....	.2,638.00
27	Marriage Licenses .....	.1,215.00
263	Vital Statistics .....	.1,906.00
8	Filing Fees .....	.5.00
145	UCC'S (Uniform Commercial Code) .....	.2,443.74
612	Title Applications .....	.1,224.00
2081	Motor Vehicle Agent Fees .....	.4,162.00
Paid to Treasurer		\$.298,893.74

VITAL STATISTICS

Births .....	.28
Marriages .....	.26
Deaths .....	.92

Anne S. Hardy
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

DR.

UNCOLLECTED TAXES	— Levies Of: —	
	1996	Prior
Beginning of Fiscal Year:*		
Property Taxes		\$454,795.05
Resident Taxes		640.00
Land Use Change		0
Yield Taxes		619.00
SEWER		29,179.25
Special Sewer Assessment		450.00
Taxes Committed this Year:		
Property Taxes	\$2,895,429.00	
Land Use Change	11,000.00	
Yield Taxes	13,171.00	
Sewer	173,425.00	
Special Sewer Assessment	600.00	
Overpayment		
Property Taxes	164.00	
Land Use Change	1,200.00	
Sewer Interest	341.70	2,568.54
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax	904.84	18,050.24
Collected Resident Tax Penalties		3.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$3,096,235.54	\$506,305.08

*This amount should be the same as last year's ending balance.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	CR.	— Levies Of: —
Remitted to Treasurer During		
Fiscal Year:	1996	Prior
Property Taxes	\$2,439,232.74	\$453,854.05
Resident Taxes	0	30.00
Land Use Change	12,200.00	0
Yield Taxes	13,171.00	619.00
Sewer	141,417.40	29,179.25
Special Sewer Assessment	600.00	450.00
Interest	904.84	18,050.24
Penalties	0	3.00
Sewer Interest	341.70	2,568.54
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	3,607.00	941.00
Resident Taxes	0	610.00
Land Use Change	0	0
Yield Taxes	0	0
Sewer	153.00	0
Curr. Levy Deeded	0	0
Uncollected Taxes —		
End of Year:		
Property Taxes	452,753.26	0
Sewer	31,854.60	0
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 3,096,235.54	\$506,305.08

**Summary of Tax Sales/Tax Lien Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996**

— DR. —

	Prior
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$221,094.59
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	233,745.19
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	<u>48,141.88</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$502,981.66

— CR. —

Remittance to Treasurer:	
Redemptions	\$241,900.56
Int. /Costs (After Lien Execution)	48,141.88
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	8,971.00
Liens Deeded To Municipalities	1,690.62
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	<u>202,277.60</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$502,981.66

TREASURER'S REPORT
January 1–December 31, 1996

Income From:	Amount
Property Taxes	2,893,087
Land Use Change Taxes	11,000
Resident Taxes	30
Yield Taxes	13,790
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	330,219
Other taxes: Special Sewer Assessments	1,050
Interest & Penalties on delinquent taxes	18,958
Tax Sales Redeemed	290,042
Bus. Licenses, Permits & Fees	40
Motor Vehicle Fees	285,300
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	4,162
Dog License Fees	2,638
State Fees: Marriage Licenses, Vital Stats.	6,789
Library Grant	1,314
Railroad tax	175
Rooms & Meals Tax	28,554
Shared Revenues Block Grant	109,394
Highway Block Grant	51,493
State & Fed'l Forest Fund Reimb.	729
Income from Trust Funds	3,005
Income from Departments	14,594
Mobile Home Inspection Fees	945
Tipping fees	25,871
Town Hall Security Deposits	2,325
Sale of Municipal Property (Cemetery Lots)	850
Interest on Investments	6,817
Rents of Property	2,345
Fines & Forfeits	232
Insurance Dividends & Reimbursements	50,784
New Trust Funds	950
Transfers From Capital Reserve Funds	31,921
Tax Anticipation Note	400,000
Sewer Users Receipts	208,570
Total Receipts	4,797,973
Cash on Hand 1/1/96	653,125
Total Available	5,451,098
Less: Selectmen's Orders Paid	4,389,403
Cash on hand 12/31/96	1,061,695

Patricia C. Knight, Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES — 1996

General Government

Executive

Salaries	\$ 58,971
Office Supplies	5,755
Utilities	1,895
Building Maintenance	143
Equipment	2,259
Equipment Maintenance	1,060
Telephone	2,451
Postage	3,000
Meetings & Travel	173
Computer Services	<u>12,549</u>
	\$ 88,256

Election, Registration, Town Clerk

Printing Town Reports	\$ 4,255
Election Costs, Meals	1,890
Salaries, Moderator Supervisors	910
Town Clerk Salary	15,331
Deputy Town Clerk	480
Meetings, Travel	275
Vital Records Preservation	<u>255</u>
	\$ 23,396

Financial Administration

Plodzik & Sanderson	\$ 4,500
Salaries	39,150
Equipment	2,375
Meetings & Travel	<u>377</u>
	\$ 46,402

Revaluation

Avitar	\$ 5,280
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Legal

Upton, Sanders & Smith	\$ 7,717
Merr. Cty. Registrar of Deeds	928
Mark R. Dunn	3,738
Concord Monitor	209
Merr. Ct. Atty's Office	<u>2,000</u>
	\$ 14,592

General Govt:

Personnel Administration

Health, Life Insurance	\$ 55,239
Workman's Compensation	16,766
Social Security Retirement	36,364
Hepatitis Shots, Drug Testing	1,782
Unemployment Comp. Fund	(482)
Education	<u>593</u>
	\$ 110,262

Planning & Zoning

Salaries	\$ 6,753
Office Supplies	797
Advertising	372
Printing	214
Building Maintenance	7
Utilities	792
Recording Fees	29
Dues—CNHRPC	<u>3,197</u>
	\$ 12,161

Town Hall

Salaries	\$ 1,808
Maintenance & Supplies	1,671
Utilities	2,539
Equipment, Floors	<u>3,058</u>
	\$ 9,076

Cemeteries

Operating Expenses	\$ 1,773
Equipment	140
Stone Repair	<u>2,085</u>
	\$ 3,998

Insurance, Not Otherwise Allocated

NHMA—Liability	\$ 31,320
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Advertising & Regional Associations

Dues	\$ 1,466
Advertising	<u>676</u>
	2,142

Tax Maps

CNHRPC	\$ 2,362
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Public Safety

Police Department

Salaries	\$ 136,379
Cruiser Maintenance	9,772
Radio Maintenance	1,636
Training & Dues	2,222
Photography Expenses	347
Telephone	7,346
Uniform Expense	1,512
Office Supplies	2,933
Equipment	1,286
Building Maintenance	2,748
Dispatch	18,981
DARE	<u>980</u>
	\$ 186,142

Penacook Civil Defense Rescue Squad

\$ 19,500

Fire Department

Salaries	\$ 29,600
Utilities	4,013
Radio Maintenance	5,276
Truck Operation, Repair	1,776
Turnout Gear Maintenance	3,045
Dispatch, Dues	10,500
Hose Appliance Maintenance	1,861
Training Forest Fires	223
SCBA Equipment, Equipment	2,326
Building Maintenance	<u>1,882</u>
	\$ 60,502

Life Safety Code Officer

Salary	\$ 1,751
Supplies	437
Dues/Professional Services	<u>95</u>
	\$ 2,283

Emergency Management

Salary	\$ 1,190
Radio Maintenance	530
Meetings, Mileage	<u>38</u>
	\$ 1,758

Highways & Streets

Salaries	\$ 104,010
Uniform Expenses	2,155
Gas	6,296
Utilities	2,208
Road Oil	10,587
Patch Materials	2,274
Street Signs	673
Repairs to Equipment	7,869
General Supplies	7,613
Salt	13,819
New Construction, Resurface	<u>31,926</u>
	\$ 189,430

Street Lighting

\$ 11,181

Other—Trees

W.M. Cook & Son	\$ 2,487
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Sanitation**Solid Waste**

Salaries	\$ 22,136
Equipment Maintenance	10,286
Utilities	1,836
Dues—NHRR, State Certif.	200
Groundwater Sampling	7,393
Tipping Fees	<u>74,100</u>
	\$ 115,951

Sewer—Storm Drains

\$ 30,000

Health**Administration**

Salary	\$ 1,720
Meetings, Mileage	<u>90</u>
	\$ 1,810

Pest Control

Dogs	\$ 405
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Other Health

Visiting Nurse Assn.	\$ 6,489
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Welfare**Administration**

Salary	\$ 2,400
Meetings, Mileage	232
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	\$ 2,632

Vendor Payments \$ 12,015

Intergovernmental Payments

Community Action Program	\$ 3,976
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Culture & Recreation

Salaries	\$ 6,381
Maintenance/Purchases	291
Park/Programs	840
Utilities & Sanitation	942
Civic Program Support	500
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	\$ 8,954

Penacook Community Center \$ 3,800

Boscawen Historical Society \$ 2,000

Library \$ 21,069

Patriotic Purposes

Town Beautification	\$ 138
Old Home Day	1,500
Penacook Legion—Flags	144
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	\$ 1,782

Conservation**Administration**

Dues	\$ 175
Mapping & Research	16
Supplies	115
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	\$ 306

Debt

Principal—TANS	\$ 400,000
Interest on TANS	\$ 13,183

Capital Outlays**Machinery, Vehicles, Equipment**

Police Cruiser	\$ 21,750
Dump Truck—Highway Dept.	<u>61,255</u>
	\$ 83,005

Restroom Renovation—Town Hall

William Murphy	\$ 10,830
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Improvements other than Buildings

Paving—Fire Station/Town Parking Lot	
Lines Unlimited	\$ 200
Brox Industries, Inc.	8,395
Pike Industries, Inc.	<u>246</u>
	\$ 8,841

Operations Transfers Out

Capital Reserve Fund—Fire Truck	\$ 20,000
Capital Reserve Fund—Tennis Cts.	<u>15,000</u>
	\$ 35,000

Payments to Other Governments

Merrimack Valley School District	\$2,305,570
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Trustees of Trust Funds	\$ 950
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Conservation Committee—Curr. Use Penalties	\$ 5,500
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County of Merrimack	\$ 212,203
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Miscellaneous

Discounts, Refunds	\$ 1,931
Abatements, Overlay	31,408
Marriage License & Dog Fees	2,955
Mobile Home Permit Fees	945
Town Hall Security Deposits	2,100
Tax Lien	233,745
Wages Paid for Precinct	<u>1,361</u>

\$ 274,445

Total Payments All Purpose

\$4,383,246

BOSCAWEN POLICE DEPARTMENT
1996 Year End Report

The year-end statistics for the Boscawen Police Department were as follows:

	1995	1996
Total Calls for Service	6,353	6,834
Total Burglaries	11	20
Total Assault Cases	46	58
Total Theft Cases	54	58
Total Forgery Cases	61	53
Total Drug Cases	9	16
Total Adult Arrests	137	199
Total Juvenile Arrests	41	15
Total Motor Vehicle Accidents	53	81
Total Major Reports Taken	496	531
Total Motor Vehicle Summonses	393	350
Total Motor Vehicle Warnings	1,022	753

This year, the police department saw an increase in all types of activity from burglaries rising from (11) in 1995 to (20) in 1996, to adult arrests rising from (137) in 1995 to (199) in 1996.

Unfortunately I cannot give you any type of concrete reason for the amount of increase in the department's calls. However, statistics show that every year crime is slowly increasing within and around our community.

It has become evident to me in 1996, that our police department needs an additional police officer in order to maintain and meet the needs of our rapidly growing community. Currently your police department patrols from 8:00 am to 2:00 am. However, because of training, vacation, and sick leave, on the majority, there is not an officer out after 12:00 am at which time an officer is on call. If there is a need for a police officer between the hours of 12:00 am and 8:00 am, an officer is called out of bed. Depending on the weather and road conditions, the officer's response time varies and could be lengthy. With the ever increasing amount of calls for service and the ever increasing amount of activity within our community after 12:00 am, I feel the need to hire another full time police officer is imperative. Studies have shown that a

highly visible patrol vehicle has a positive affect on crime rate (ie: burglaries, thefts, etc.) declining.

The police department has seen it's calls for service over the last (3) three years go from 5,641 in 1994 to 6,834 in 1996. This is an increase of approximately 21.2% in just two years. With the increase in the amount of calls for service and the increase in the amount of reportable crimes (ie: burglaries, drugs, etc.), the amount of time available for officers to perform follow-ups to reportable crimes has drastically declined.

It was 1993 when the town approved the hiring of a 5th full time police officer. And it was in 1995 when I advised the town that I did not think there was a need at the present time for a 5th full time police officer. However, after being in the position of Chief of Police for over 3 years I can now state to each of you that the need is real and the need is now.

Knowing that cost is always an issue in the hiring of a new employee, I have applied for a federal grant which will pay for 75% of the total cost of a new police officer over a three year period. The remaining 25% is to be picked up by the Town. This grant will include the cost of all salaries and benefits. Because of the way in which I applied for this grant, it will mean that for the year 1997, the cost to the Town of Boscawen will be zero, with the remaining costs (25% of the total for 3 years) not taking effect until the 1998 and 1999 budgets.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who assisted us in any capacity this year, to include members of the Penacook Rescue and the Boscawen Fire Department for their assistance at numerous emergency calls.

In closing, I would like to remind each of you that the police department is here to serve you. If anyone observes any type of activity that appears suspicious to you, please don't hesitate to call us.

Sincerely,

David A. Croft
Chief of Police

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	1996	Actual	1997
Salaries: Chief	\$32,385.00	\$33,876.00	\$33,363.00
Sergeant	\$25,377.00	\$28,702.00	\$26,138.00
Patrolman #1	\$21,912.00	\$24,657.00	\$22,570.00
Patrolman #2	\$20,654.00	\$21,824.00	\$21,274.00
Patrolman #3	NA		\$27,641.00
Clerk	\$21,309.00	\$21,368.00	\$25,735.00
Holiday Pay	\$4,500.00		\$5,000.00
Overtime	\$7,500.00		\$8,500.00
Aux. Officers	\$8,000.00	\$9,828.00	\$9,000.00
Outside Detail	\$200.00		\$200.00
Sub Total	<u>\$141,837.00</u>	<u>\$140,255.00</u>	<u>\$179,421.00</u>
Cruiser Maintenance	\$10,000.00	\$13,971.00	\$10,000.00
Radio Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$1,636.00	\$15,000.00
Training & Dues	\$2,500.00	\$2,222.00	\$2,500.00
Photography	\$700.00	\$347.00	\$700.00
Telephone	\$8,000.00	\$7,346.00	\$8,500.00
Uniforms	\$1,500.00	\$1,512.00	\$2,000.00
Office Expense	\$2,900.00	\$2,933.00	\$3,200.00
Equipment	\$2,000.00	\$2,286.00	\$2,500.00
Building Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$2,748.00	\$3,500.00
Dispatch	\$19,000.00	\$18,981.00	\$20,000.00
D.A.R.E.	\$1,000.00	\$980.00	\$1,000.00
Sub Total	<u>\$52,100.00</u>	<u>\$54,962.00</u>	<u>\$55,400.00</u>
Total	<u><u>\$193,937.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$195,217.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$234,821.00</u></u>
Equip 1,000 OD 3876		(\$9,075.00)	
Cruiser Maint/ Grant 4199		<u>\$186,142.00</u>	
****Fed Grant/5th Officer \$27,641/Wash 1st YR 100% 3YR GRANT/75% OVER 3 YR			

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

General Maintenance - Street	1996	Actual	1997
Salaries: Public Works Director	\$35,763.00		\$36,835.00
Employee #1	\$23,049.00		\$22,073.00
Employee #2	\$22,378.00		\$21,382.00
Employee #3	\$19,882.00		\$18,812.00
Part-Time Employee	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
Overtime & Weekend Duty	<u>\$10,500.00</u>		<u>\$10,500.00</u>
Total	\$116,572.00	\$104,010.00	\$114,602.00
Less Cost Charged To Solid Waste	(5,000.00)		
Less Cost Charges To Cemeteries	<u>(2,500.00)</u>		
	<u>\$109,072.00</u>	<u>\$104,010.00</u>	<u>\$114,602.00</u>

Uniforms and Safety Equipment	\$2,300.00	\$2,155.00	\$2,300.00
Maintenance/Summer & Winter			
A. Gas (including Diesel fuel)			
(includes F.D.)	\$7,000.00	\$7,037.00	\$7,300.00
B. Utilities	\$2,500.00	\$1,772.00	\$2,000.00
Phone	\$500.00	\$436.00	\$500.00
C. Salt	\$13,000.00	\$14,489.00	\$13,000.00
D. Materials & Supplies			
1. Road Oil	\$14,000.00	\$10,587.00	\$14,000.00
2. Patch Materials	\$1,500.00	\$2,274.00	\$2,000.00
3. Street Signs	\$200.00	\$673.00	\$500.00
Equipment			
Repairs to Equipment	\$8,000.00	\$11,966.00	\$9,000.00
General Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$10,329.00	\$4,500.00
New Construction or Resurface	<u>\$32,000.00</u>	<u>\$31,926.00</u>	<u>\$33,000.00</u>
	<u>\$194,072.00</u>	<u>\$197,654.00</u>	<u>\$202,702.00</u>

*Refund/Reim. Salt/Sand 670
 Hist. Soc. 956, Pre. Gas 741
 Grave Dig 1,760, Auction 4,097

(\$8,224.00)*
\$189,430.00

Street Lighting	1996	Actual	1997
	\$12,000.00	\$11,181.00	\$12,000.00

Other			
Highways & Streets	1996	Actual	1997
Care of Trees	\$2,500.00	\$2,487.00	\$2,500.00

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	1996	Actual	1997
Operating Salaries	\$16,700.00	\$22,136.00	\$16,700.00
Overtime	\$6,500.00		\$6,500.00
Tires	\$1,200.00	\$563.00	\$1,200.00
Maintenance/Equipment cost	\$7,000.00	\$9,543.00	\$7,000.00
Electric	\$1,400.00	\$1,495.00	\$1,600.00
Phone	\$400.00	\$341.00	\$400.00
Tipping	\$76,000.00	\$74,100.00	\$76,000.00
Oil Filters/Tire Disposal	\$500.00	\$180.00	\$2,000.00
Dues - NH Res. Recov./			
State Cert	\$500.00	\$200.00	\$500.00
Ground Water Sampling	\$10,000.00	\$7,393.00	\$8,000.00
Total	<u>\$120,200.00</u>	<u>\$115,951.00</u>	<u>\$119,900.00</u>

Est. Cr. Cans/Metal 5800

Est. Cr. From Haulers 14000

Note: Over 26,000 Revenue Taken In

**CONCORD REGIONAL SOLID WASTE
RESOURCE RECOVERY COOPERATIVE**

1997 BUDGET

1.	Wheelabrator Concord Company Service Fees	\$2,174,020
2.	Bypass Disposal Cost Reserve	125,000
3.	Franklin Residue Landfill	
	a. Operation and Maintenance	\$733,004
	b. Bond and Loan Payments	448,430
	c. Expansion Sinking Fund	84,000
	d. Closure Fund	163,753
	e. Long Term Maintenance Fund	18,173
	f. Emissions Control Sinking Fund	1,020,000
		2,467,360
4.	Cooperative Expenses, Consultants & Studies	380,453
	TOTAL 1997 BUDGET	\$5,146,833
5.	Less - interest, surplus, recycled tons & communities over GAT applied to 1996 Budget	(717,783)
	Net to be raised by Co-op Communities	\$4,429,050
	1997 GAT of 113,561 and Net Budget of \$4,429,050 =	
	Tipping Fee of \$39.00 per ton	

We are happy to report to all member communities that 1996 marked the seventh complete year of successful operations. Some items which may be of interest follow:

The 1997 budget reflects a level tipping fee of \$39 per ton. This is the third consecutive year the Cooperative has been able to either lower or maintain the tipping fee for members of the Cooperative.

The waste delivered to the Wheelabrator facility this year was 119,214 tons. That represents an increase of 3,920 tons over 1995, or a 3.4% increase. The amount of trash delivered continues to rise as predicted.

A total of 67,679 tons of ash were disposed of at the Franklin ash monofill. Things continue to operate well at the ash fill. Construction of Phase III was completed in 1996. This most recent expansion will provide disposal capacity for the next nine years.

BOSCAWEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Boscawen Fire Department responded to 161 calls, a 14% increase over 1995.

Training continues for firefighters through Lakes Region, Capital Area, NH Fire Academy and the fire station. The "Firefighter's One" course this year had four firefighters participating in the activities at the NH Fire Academy.

The "Fire Prevention" programs are ongoing at the local schools, nursing homes, town organizations and businesses. The work is done by the Fire Prevention Officer Lt. Timothy Kenney and other firefighters.

At this time, I would like to THANK all the officers and firefighters, along with the ladies auxiliary for their help, understanding, and commitment to the fire service for the Town of Boscawen. A special THANKS to three men that retired in December. Deputy Chief Robert York with 40 years of service, Firefighter Lester "Rusty" Colby with 25 years of service and Firefighter Michael W. Sweeney for 11 years of service. Best of Luck in your retirement.

Just in passing, your Boscawen Fire Department also has their "UNSUNG HEROS". On December 9th around 12:30 AM the department was dispatched to a reported house fire on Queen Street, with two occupants. Fire department personnel arriving on the scene found heavy fire at the back of the building and two people trapped inside the garage. A woman was pulled through a window in the garage after firefighters broke it out. The second woman, handicapped, was rescued after the garage door was broken in. The women were taken to the hospital for smoke inhalation and released the next day. The rescue was accomplished by Officers and Firefighters. These folks just said "It's just part of our job".

Remember, if you have any fire related problems, contact the fire department. Practice fire prevention 365 days a year, be fire safe everyday. Install and maintain smoke detectors; they could save your life as well as a loved one.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Roland "Joe" Bartlett

Fire-Rescue Phone Number 911

Fire Department	1996	Actual	1997
Operating Salaries	\$31,000.00	\$29,600.00	\$31,000.00
Utilities \$5,000.00	\$4,013.00	\$5,000.00	
Radio Maintenance	\$1,200.00	\$5,276.00	\$1,200.00
Truck Operation/Repair	\$3,000.00	\$1,776.00	\$6,750.00
Building Maintenance	\$500.00	\$1,882.00	\$500.00
Turn Out Gear Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$3,045.00	\$3,000.00
Dispatch & Dues	\$10,296.00	\$10,500.00	\$10,472.00
Hose Appliance Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$1,861.00	\$2,000.00
Training/Forest Fires	\$1,000.00	\$260.00	\$1,000.00
Equipment	\$2,000.00	\$2354.00	\$2,000.00
S.C.B.A. Maintenance*	<u>\$3,500.00</u>	<u>\$3,510.00</u>	<u>\$3,500.00</u>
Total	\$62,496.00	\$64,077.00	\$66,422.00
		<u>(\$3,575.00)**</u>	
		\$56,927.00	

*Repair Body Rust & Paint 51M2 3750
1998 Repair Body Rust & Paint 51M1

** Truck Sale 3,538, Training 37

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 open 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 NH 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.

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.

1996 FIRE STATISTICS (Cost Shared)

<u>FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY</u>		<u>CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED</u>	
Belknap	06	Smoking	05
Carroll	07	Debris Burning	34
Cheshire	13	Campfire	16
Coos	10	Power Line	04
Grafton	12	Railroad	02
Hillsborough	19	Equipment Use	01
Merrimack	14	Lightning	02
Rockingham	15	Children	22
Strafford	05	OHRV	01
Sullivan	06	Miscellaneous	20
TOTAL FIRES	107		

“REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!”

Douglas C. Miner
Forest Ranger

Roland Bartlett
Forest Fire Warden

1996 HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

In 1996 there were 40 calls. I would like to thank everyone who has cooperated in keeping Boscawen safe and clean. It is the duty of the Health Officer to inquire into concerns of health issues.

In responding to concerns regarding the legality of the local Health Officer trespassing on private property; in order to conduct an investigation of sanitary conditions and in fulfilling the duties of said officer, the Health Officer may enter upon private property, even if there is a "No Trespassing" sign. This includes the inspection of questionable private septic systems. The authority to enter upon private property for sanitary investigation purposes does not include the right to enter homes. If an inspection of a home is necessary, an Administrative Inspection Warrant may be obtained under RSA 595-13.

I am also the Animal Control Officer in charge of rabies. So far, no reports have been made to me in the Town of Boscawen.

If you have any health related or rabid issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at home at 796-2609 or through the Town Office at 796-2426.

Respectfully submitted,

John Dagata
Health Officer

BOSCAWEN PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The library trustees have been able to make some real progress over the last year in their efforts to make our buildings more energy efficient and to catch up on some maintenance that was overdue. Some changes can be seen as you drive by. Many people have made favorable comments about the new front wall at the branch library. We had a local carpenter replace the old drafty garage door with an insulated wall. The door was designed to look like the original door at the old fire station when it was built in the 1880's. We were also able to improve the lighting at both buildings. We insulated the main library and replaced the sign there. We had the north wall at the main building repointed by a mason and replaced a rotted basement window. We replaced a defunct hot water heater at the branch and had a damaged table refinished. There is now a telephone at the branch, for the first time since 1922, and insulation kits were installed on both water heaters. We managed to begin studding off the basement at the main building in preparation for insulation in the future. Volunteers, some of them townspeople, some of them from the Merrimack County Adult Diversion Program, cleaned out the cellar at the branch library for the first time in many years. Volunteers also scraped and painted the bathroom at the main library.

We have completed all of the energy improvements recommended in the energy audit done by the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Service's last year and the selectmen have received the matching funds from the grant we had applied for to help defray those costs.

We still have a ways to go getting these older buildings in shape, but we are making real progress. You will notice that our budget requests went down again this year and we hope to reduce it again next year. The trustees need to say thank you to our librarian, our cleaning lady, and all the volunteers who help out. Thank you also to everyone who donated books to the library over the year. That really helps to extend our book buying budget.

We would like to invite you all to visit the libraries.

Respectfully submitted

Todd West, Chairperson
Library Trustees

Main Library	796-2442	Tues.	1:30-6:00 P.M.
		Thurs.	3:00-7:00 P.M.
Branch Library	753-8576	Mon.	2:30-6:30 P.M.
		Wed.	2:30-7:00 P.M.

BOSCAWEN PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT 1996

General Account Expenses

Salaries	\$7,134.45
Social Security	1,159.20
Unemployment	42.93
Electricity	765.12
Telephone	512.75
Gas/Oil	1,154.92
Main/Supplies	1,066.23
Treasurer's Expense	40.00
Books	4,388.47
Special Maintenance	6,600.00
	<u>6,600.00</u>
	\$22,864.07

Income

General Fund	\$15,076.85
Books (including fines & trusts)	4,388.47
Gerrish Trust	179.68
Grimes Trust	62.98
Special Maintenance	6,600.00
	<u>6,600.00</u>
	\$26,307.98

Balance 1/1/97

General	\$3,802.35
Books	361.35
Gerrish Trust	77.39
Grimes Trust	61.19
	<u>61.19</u>
	\$4,302.28

LIBRARY

Library	1996	Actual	1997
Salaries	\$7,684.00	\$7,134.00	\$7,684.00
Social Security	\$550.00	\$1,159.00	\$580.00
Electricity	\$900.00	\$765.00	\$900.00
Oil/Gas	\$1,600.00	\$1,155.00	\$1,600.00
Insurance (Unemployment)	\$100.00	\$43.00	\$100.00
Treasurer's Expenses	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
Books	\$3,160.00	\$4,388.00	\$3,160.00
Maintenance	\$6,600.00	\$7,133.00	\$5,400.00
Supplies/Miscellaneous	\$700.00	\$534.00	\$900.00
Telephone	\$725.00	\$513.00	\$685.00
Less Est. Income	(\$1,000.00)		(\$1,000.00)
Subtotal	\$21,069.00	\$22,864.00	\$20,059.00
		(\$1,795.00)*	
		\$21,069.00**	

*Adjustment

** Town Allocates To Library

HUMAN SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT
January 1 to December 31, 1996

The Town of Boscawen's Welfare Department has helped 65 families in 1996 - some were helped several times during the year. We are more than willing to help anyone in emergency situations when help is so badly needed. The following figures show how our welfare money was spent during 1996:

<u>Applications</u>		
58	Rent	\$11,219.70
25	Utilities	3,587.45
6	Medication	1,191.73
61	Food	971.45
2	Miscellaneous	283.00
<u>152</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$17,253.33</u>

As the above rent figures show, Boscawen needs more affordable housing. Some of our clients pay as much as \$800 a month for rent plus utilities (electricity, fuel, water) not leaving much for food and other expenses they might have. With a man and his wife both working, it is hard to have money enough to pay this kind of rent.

We received \$2,500 this year from the NH State Grant-In-Aid and a promise of \$2,000 more. This is not as much as last year, but we can hardly complain. Since 1989, we have received \$25,250 from the two grants – the Stewart B. McKinney Emergency Shelter Grant Program and the NH State Grant-In-Aid Program. Some of our clients have reimbursed the town for the assistance given them – \$2,737.65 this year. We appreciate this very much as it gives us more money to help someone else.

It is interesting to note that the Community Action Program (CAP) has provided Boscawen residents with a great deal of assistance. According to their 1996 report, Boscawen people have received the following:

<u>Units</u>	<u>Assistance</u>	<u>Amounts</u>	<u>Persons</u>
49 Apps.	Fuel Assistance	\$16,293.01	131
3 Homes	Weatherization	10,719.14	10
770 Vouchers	Women, Infants, Children (WIC)	29,645.00	65
350 Packages	Commodity Food Program	7,773.50	36
4 Children	Head Start	23,132.00	4

8 Grants	Neighbor Helping Neighbor	1,649.61	28
2,166 Meals	Meals-On-Wheels	12,801.06	14
165 Rides	CAP Transportation	917.40	5
204 Hours	Senior Companion Program	930.24	4
394 Meals	Congregate Meals	2,100.02	16
360 Meals	Emergency Food Pantries	1,080.00	40
5 Visits	Family Planning	329.40	3

USDA foods are now distributed to local food pantries and soup kitchens on a quarterly basis.

Values are	<u>271.00</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$107,641.38</u>

The Community Action Program, now located at 1 Tremont Street in Concord, provides outreach to the homebound and assistance and services to low income, handicapped and elderly people. If anyone is interested in any of these programs, please call their office – 225-6880 – to make an appointment to talk with someone there. Last year our town donated \$3,615 to CAP toward their expenses. The Federal government contributes 38% and all NH towns and cities contribute 62% of CAP's expenses.

Some families are eligible for AFDC, Food Stamps, Medicaid, Section 8 Housing and Fuel Assistance, and we are able to advise them where and how to apply for these State and Federal programs. People with disabilities could be eligible for SSI and APTD. At our office we have a list of Food Pantries where anyone may obtain free food. Through the Capital Region Food Program, we have a good supply of canned food at the Selectmen's office at no cost to the town. Various groups in town help in preparing, serving and donating food toward a delicious supper at the United Church of Penacook each Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Any needy person or family is welcome to come to these free suppers.

Please continue to report to us anyone or family you know of needing help but are reluctant to ask for help for themselves. We wouldn't want anyone to go without shelter, heat, food or medical care.

The Boscawen Congregational Church has a Clothing Pantry as well as a Food Pantry. They also have medical supplies to lend – such as canes, wheelchair, crutches, walkers, commode-chair, etc. If you need anything along this line, you may call the church office – 796-2565 – and make an appointment to see someone there.

At Thanksgiving time, several churches and clubs, and groups in our area deliver food baskets. Every year the Windmill Restaurant in Concord is open all Thanksgiving day serving free meals to the needy – just call our office, and we will make reservations for you. The Capital Region Food Program continues to provide bountiful boxes of food for Christmas dinners. This year more than 2,000 families in the Concord area received Christmas food. We are pleased to say that some of our Boscawen people volunteered their services by helping fill boxes at the Concord Armory as well as delivering food throughout our town.

The "Toys for Tots Program" sponsored by the Boscawen Police Auxiliary delivered Christmas gifts, toys and clothing to 60 children this year. We were again included in the "Giving Tree" sponsored by the Concord Hospital Auxiliary, and many of our children received lovely gifts. The Priscilla Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star made Christmas a lot merrier to a large family of children. Some of our children were remembered at Christmas by the Salvation Army which helps needy families all year long. Many groups and churches in town remembered

whole families with gifts, clothing and food at Christmas time.

Our sincere thanks to the following who made the Holiday Season a brighter one for so many people: the Boscawen Congregational Church and Ladies Aid, the Boscawen Police and Auxiliary, the Immaculate Conception Church and United Church of Penacook, Priscilla Chapter, OES, Boscawen Woman's Club, Ezekiel Webster Grange, Boscawen Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, Merrimack County Ox Bows, the Town Line Trail Dusters, Steenbeke & Sons, the Visiting Nurse Association, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, the Tri-Amity Guild, Elektrisola – and our Selectmen and Office Staff.

Respectfully submitted

Evelyn W. Beaulieu
Human Service Officer

1996 PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

The summer parks program continued to flourish under the direction of Doug Doremus, third year and Assistant Kristen Cunningham, second year. Enrollment reached 102 children, the second consecutive year of over one hundred children, and had an average daily attendance of 68 children. In 1996 we added one additional student staff member to bring the total to three. Thank you for a job well done to Derek Gordon, second year, Greg White, first year, and Jamie Rocheford, first year. This provided all children without limitation to attend all field trips, as well as decrease the student to leader ratio, creating more variety during the day and enhancing supervision. While enrollment remained high the age spread changed in 1996 with fewer children in the 13-14 age bracket and more children in the 6-9 age bracket. The program is open to Boscawen residents ages 6-14.

The bus was full as field trips to Lake Sunapee, Mt. Major, Ellacoya State Park, Weirs Beach, Hampton State Park, and Surf Coaster were enjoyed by all. The highlight of the summer was a canoe trip down the Merrimack River, sponsored by Hannah's Paddles, from the park to the sponsor's door, enjoyed by over fifty children and adults, some of who had never been in a canoe. Other activities included croquet, tennis, street hockey, and home run derby. Board games and arts and crafts were a favorite during hot spells. Frisbee golf remained the favorite of the older kids and staff with a challenging 18 hole course laid out for all comers. Bike trips to Rolfe Park resumed for relief from the heat and met with only minor resistance from the Rolfe Park Staff.

The committee completed the installation of a street light on the north east corner of the tennis court. It is not bright enough to play night tennis but has improved visibility and reduced vandalism. We have also committed to take financial responsibility for the holiday decorations and lights on the tree at the junction of routes 3 and 4. Plans to create a skating rink at the Town Park were hampered by the weather but all efforts are being initiated for the 1997 season.

The tennis and basketball courts remain in desperate need of total reconstruction. Some patching was done but did not solve the problems of the base and underlayment. We are on our way with \$15,000.00 voted in a capital reserve fund. An additional \$30,000.00 is estimated to properly repair the courts and we look forward to half that being voted to add to the capital reserve fund in 1997.

The idea of reviving Old Home Day was first brought up at a Parks and Recreation Meeting and was initiated with the first annual Boscawen Old Home Day Golf Tournament.

Regular meetings are scheduled for the third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Selectmen's office and can be made handicapped accessible with 24 hours notice.

Respectfully submitted,
Joel White, Chairman

1996 ANNUAL REPORT

OLD HOME DAY RETURNS

Ted Houston summed it up, **“WE’RE BACK!”** The return of Old Home Day met with rave reviews and a feeling of pride amongst residents and visitors alike. Beginning with the golf tournament on Thursday, followed by the pasta feast on Friday, and continuing through all the events on Saturday, all who attended, and some who just heard, were pleased with the results not to mention the efforts of the committee and all the volunteers.

Thursday’s inaugural golf tournament was held at Den Brae Golf Club with top honors in the Women’s Division going to Janet Raymond, Tammy Pepler, Mary McKeage, and Diane Steenbeke. The Men’s Champions are Dick Holden, Bill Mullen, Bernie Davis and Jason Mahar. McKeage and Mahar won the respective long drive contests. Marie Copland was closest to the pin on her second shot on the sixth hole while Wally Currier narrowly missed a hole in one winning closest to the pin honors on hole number 3.

Friday evening Capital Area Habitat for Humanity sponsored an Italian Festival Feast featuring a variety of pasta dishes in a quaintly decorated cabaret motif.

Saturday started with the PTA’s Playground Committee sponsoring a pancake breakfast. One of the best parades remembered by many began at 10:30. People were lined the entire parade route and delighted to the floats, cars, rescue and fire trucks. Horses, clowns, and Shriner’s vehicles brought smiles to young and old alike. Color guards, police departments from around the county, and residents of Merrimack County Nursing Home also participated. Beth Roy, the parade chairperson says, “If you think this was good, just wait until next year” as she has already begun work soliciting bands to compliment an already spectacular event. Winners of the Parade awards were Earnest Workers 4H Club - 1st, The Boscawen Women’s Club-2nd, and Highway View Farm - 3rd. Honorable mention went to Boscawen PTA, Famous Women Bicycling, and Boscawen Trail Dusters. Thanks to our judges Randy Bell, Marion Steady, and Norma Lovejoy.

The Blueberry Pie Contest was won by Tammy Pepler, followed by Ray Blodgett - 2nd, and Lorrie Carey - 3rd. Mrs. Helen Kimball Houston, Boscawen’s holder of the Boston Post Cane, won the Historical Society’s Award for being the oldest person present. The youngest present was Sue Cummings’ baby at 11 weeks old.

The largest family was the Norma Houston Family and boasted 14 members in attendance. The individual with direct Boscawen ties who traveled the furthest was from Florida and made the trip to be with

family for the day. Evelyn Beaully won the quilt raffled off by the Historical Society.

There were plenty of activities with children's games, an ice cream social sponsored by the Historical Society, an art contest sponsored by Elektrisola was held at the NH Art Association with over 200 entries and the annual police vs. fire department softball game (won by the police department). Craft booths surrounded the entertainment stage. The Circle Nine Ranchers country dance review started off the non stop entertainment schedule by performing and teaching a variety of line dances. Dudley Laufman and two fiddles brought the crowd to its feet with several tunes and dances of traditional nature. Yankee Know How Barber Shop Quartet sang old favorites and got the crowd to join in for a few verses which was a nice lead into the community sing along. The Concord Karate Studio performed a variety of exercises and feats explaining the karate philosophy which highlighted with one of the students breaking several boards with bare hands and feet. Carolyn Parrot captivated the youngsters with her story telling and songs. Paul and Peggo Hodes of Peggosus rounded out the day with some of their favorite songs.

Tom Danko's famous chicken BBQ was a sell out and no one went away hungry.

The Old Home Day Committee worked endlessly to bring back a long and treasured tradition. The committee would also like to thank the numerous volunteers, organizations, and businesses that made this event possible. Let them know what you thought and liked. If you have any suggestions for additions or changes next year let them know that too. Better yet, volunteer your time and services and join the committee. Meetings are scheduled for the third Sunday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Selectmen's Office, are open to the public and can be made handicapped accessible with 24 hours notice.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel White
President

CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 towns in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties and the City of Concord. The Town of Boscawen is a member in good standing of the Commission.

Our mission is to improve, through education, training, and planning assistance, the ability of the municipalities of the region to prepare and implement municipal plans; to prepare a plan for effective and appropriate development and utilization of the resources of the region; and to assist municipalities in carrying out the regional plan.

The Commission provides a variety of planning services, including telephone consultations on planning issues; planning research; sample ordinances, regulations, and planning documents; models; data and access to data sources; grant information; review and comment on planning documents; development review; and educational programs. Membership also entitles a community to affordable master planning assistance, GIS mapping, and grant preparation. During 1996, our services in Boscawen included:

providing an interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance definition of one side of a double-sided sign; providing information on excavation ordinances in other communities; providing examples of other towns' site plan regulations and zoning ordinances on disk; providing a zoning interpretation on the permissibility of replacing a non-conforming manufactured home with a newer, larger model; providing information regarding who can authorize the subdivision of property held in an estate; providing a zoning interpretation on the requirements to restore the use of buildings allowed by special exception; consulting on the regulation of renting bedrooms in a single family residence; consulting on rebuilding a non-conforming garage on the remaining slab after four years; consulting on the applicability of site plan review to agricultural uses; consulting on the number and role of alternates to the ZBA; consulting on expanding the definition of abutter; consulting on the proposed expansion of an existing convenience store/gas station combination; consulting on the notification requirements for a rescheduled meeting; providing GIS services for the production of an updated base map, composite tax map, tax map index, and individual tax maps; consulting on the status of a three lot subdivision created in 1973; providing traffic counts on the roads requested; discussing the procedure for project inclusion in Traffic Improvement Program; and consulting on how to investigate a possible zoning violation.

During 1996 the Regional Planning Commission:

- went on-line (see e-mail address above);
- distributed the zoning amendment calendar to assist Towns with the amendment process;
- processed 13 applications for \$15,000,000 in special federal transportation projects, of which \$2,500,000 will be spent in Central NH communities;
- created and distributed a new publication - the What's Up newsletter;
- helped community representatives implement management plans for the Contoocook and Merrimack Rivers;
- presented and sponsored educational programs on regulating the land application of sludge; using the planning related statutes; creating computerized tax maps; developing pocket parks; acquiring conservation lands; and successfully managing the impacts of major events/facilities (NH International Speedway);
- maintained the land use, transportation, and hydrological data in the regional Geographic Information System (GIS) and added data on conservation lands and historic sites;
- conducted about 100 traffic counts on state and local highways;
- amended the regional transportation plan; and
- assisted the Central New Hampshire Solid Waste District in closing out its operations.

For additional information, please contact your town representatives to the Commission, Maureen Jackson and William Urbach, or CNHRPC staff.

1996 ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Certificates of Zoning Compliance forms are required to comply with Article III, General Provisions of the Town of Boscawen Zoning Ordinance. It was enacted April 17, 1973, with the latest revisions March 14, 1995.

Subdivision Regulations and Site Plan Review Regulations were revised with revisions effective December 10, 1996.

Forms are available at the Town Office at no charge. The Planning and Zoning Secretary is available Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM for additional information and assistance.

Homes	3
Garages	7
Barns & Sheds	10
Additions	15
Mobile Homes	
Replacements	6
New	3
Subdivisions	
Minor	2
Major	0
Lot line adj.	4
Variances	1
Lot Mergers	1
Special Exceptions	17
Site Plans	16
Signs	9
Pools	4
Miscellaneous	8

Robert Knowlton
Zoning Officer

CEMETERY TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 1996

An important ruling has been received from the Attorney General's office – Terry Knowles, Registrar. This will appear in the Rules and Regulations for Cemeteries as Article 17, and shall take effect immediately.

“The owner of a lot may sell the lot back to the town for the price originally paid. Cemetery plots are not investments.”

The purpose of selling only to the town is for the maintenance of proper records.

There were three changes in the regulations which took effect January 1, 1996.

The Pine Grove cemetery is being plotted – each grave identified. It should be finished early 1997. The Plains Cemetery has no map so this must be done. We have found several graves with no records.

Mark Sampson put \$2,000.00 more work in the Plains Cemetery. There is \$6,000.00 more work to be done, just at the Plains while four others are in desperate need.

There is a Trust Fund for Cemetery improvement. We are considering using \$1,000.00 for the Elliott Burying ground. This would not be touching the principal.

Regular meetings are held each 3rd Wednesday of the month, with many work meetings between.

Ruth Johnson, of Texas, came to see the Call Cemetery. Cynthia and Ted Houston graciously showed it to her. Hopefully, in a few years we can be proud to show these visitors their ancestor's graves.

Donald F. Welcome, Chairman

William J. Amaral

Dorothy Sanborn

Trust Fund Report
Town of: **Boscawen**
For the year ended: **12/31/86**

Date of Creation	Name of Trust	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			Income			Balance Year End	Total Ending Balance
				Beginning Balance	New Funds Created	Gains/Losses On Sales	Withdrawals	Balance Year End	Income			Percentage	Regular Expense
Cemetery Funds:											
1910	John E. Rines	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	1,045.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,045.19	107.24	25.93	1,071.12
1963	Cemetery Common # 1	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	151.52	1,025.40	
1978	Cemetery Common # 2	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	6,489.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,489.00	663.62	160.92	8,623.52
1984	Cemetery Common # 3	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	7,937.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,937.50	800.56	196.79	8,134.26
1984-1985	Cemetery Common # 4	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	2,925.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,925.00	294.98	72.50	2,997.50
1985-1987	Cemetery Common # 6	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	2,925.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,925.00	295.08	72.49	2,997.49
1988	Cemetery Common # 9	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	925.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	925.00	198.18	24.20	949.20
1989-1990	Cemetery Common # 10	Perp. Care	Shawmut/ass	1,975.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,975.00	203.13	49.01	2,024.01
1991	Cemetery Common # 12	Perp. Care	MCSB/ass	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	79.15	24.51	824.51
1982	Cemetery Common # 13	Perp. Care	MCSB/pbps	625.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	625.00	54.47	17.30	642.30
1983	Cemetery Common # 14	Perp. Care	MCSB/pbps	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,250.00	123.40	38.30	1,288.30
1984	Cemetery Common # 15	Perp. Care	MCSB/ass	375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	375.00	17.86	11.17	386.17
1985	Cemetery Common # 16	Perp. Care	MCSB/ass	625.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	625.00	16.19	18.40	643.40
1986	Cemetery Common # 17	Perp. Care	MCSB/ass	375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	375.00	0.00	10.15	385.15
	June Coleman			500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	13.53	513.53
	W.M. Cook Jr.			0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	6.76	256.76
1986	Cemetery Common # 18	Perp. Care	MCSB/ass	0.00	450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	0.00	5.55	455.55
1986	Cemetery Common # 19	Perp. Care	MCSB/ass	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.18	150.18
	C. Murphy			0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.24	200.24
	William Drew			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Ken Braley			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL Cemetery Funds				29,751.69	1,050.00	0.00	0.00	30,801.69	3,005.34	772.93	31,574.62
Library Funds:											
1916-1928	Library Common # 2	Library	Citizens/CD	9,659.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,659.89	397.04	482.22	10,137.25
1925-1948	Library Common # 1	Library	MCSB/CD	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,000.00	0.00	464.36	8,000.00
1948	Lizzie Choate	Library	CSB/CD	920.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	920.00	49.94	51.19	965.91
1967	Mary K. Colby	Library	CSB/CD	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	27.82	30.01	5,049.89
1971	Isabelle Grimes	Library	CSB/CD	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	54.29	55.63	1,049.89
1981	Herald Holmes	Library	CSB/CD	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	271.43	278.18	5,249.48
1988	Beth Nerdini/Book	Library	CSB/CD	585.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	585.00	33.30	38.72	624.68
TOTAL Library Funds				25,674.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,674.89	833.14	1,392.50	26,552.16
Memrick Valley School District											
1973	Tuttle Fund	lib/o Boscawen school	MCSB/CD	1,223.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,223.95	46.92	68.85	1,283.94
TOTAL Memrick Valley School District Funds				1,223.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,223.95	46.92	68.85	1,283.94

Trust Fund Report
Town of:
Boscawen
For the year ended: 12/31/96

Date of Creation	Name of Trust	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			Income			Total Ending Balance				
				Beginning Balance	New Funds Created	Gains/Losses On Sales	Withdrawals	Balance Year End	Beginning Balance		Income	Percentage	Regular Expenses	Balance Year End
Capital Reserve Funds														
1992	Penacook-Boscawen Water Precinct	Backhoe	CSB/CD	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	1,982.71	379.06	0.03	1,471.77	0.00	0.00
1994	Penacook-Boscawen Water Precinct	Backhoe	MCSB/CD	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	687.74	307.38	0.03	985.12	0.00	0.00
1995	Penacook-Boscawen Water Precinct	Backhoe	MCSB/CD	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	281.96	0.03	281.96	0.00	0.00
1994	Town of Boscawen	Highway Dump Truck	MCSB/CD	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	691.13	231.13	0.02	922.26	0.00	0.00
1994	Town of Boscawen	Highway Dump Truck	CSB/CD	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	600.26	128.37	0.01	728.63	0.00	0.00
1995	Town of Boscawen	Highway Dump Truck	CSB/CD	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	116.37	0.01	116.37	0.00	0.00
1996	Town of Boscawen	Highway Dump Truck	CSB/Sav	0.00	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	153.32		153.32	0.00	0.00
1996	Town of Boscawen	Tennis Courts	NHPDJP	0.00	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	0.00	31.88		0.00	0.00	31.88
1996	Town of Boscawen	File Truck	NHPDJP	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	42.50		0.00	0.00	42.50
TOTAL Capital Reserve Fund Funds				60,000.00	65,000.00	0.00	90,000.00	35,000.00	3,071.84	1,671.97		4,669.43	74.38	35,074.38
Cemetery Expendable Trust														
1994	Cemetery Improvement	Cemetery	CSB/CD	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	271.43	293.15	0.06	0.00	0.00	5,564.58
1994	Cemetery Improvement Expendable Trust	Improvements	CSB/SS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,814.56	142.48	0.03	587.43	5,169.61	5,169.61
1994	Atkinson Fund	Gravestone Maintenance	MCSB/SS	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	22.54	15.16	0.03	0.00	0.00	537.70
TOTAL Cemetery Expendable Trust				5,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,500.00	9,098.53	450.79		587.43	5,771.89	11,271.89
Grand Totals				122,150.53	66,050.00	0.00	90,000.00	98,200.53	12,865.77	4,357.04	0.03	9,686.35	7,536.46	105,736.99

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge.

Kathryn Reed
Cynthia Houston
Elaine Lavery

BOSCAWEN ACADEMY TRUSTEES REPORT

The Trustees of the Boscawen Academy held meetings on February 27, 1996, and January 21, 1997. The majority of the Board members attended these meetings.

The incumbent officers were elected for the coming year.

The Academy's Trust Fund is invested in a certificate of deposit at a local bank. The Trustees voted to pay the interest to the Boscawen Historical Society when the certificate matures and to re-invest the principle in a new certificate of deposit. The interest check was presented to the Boscawen Historical Society as voted. Mr. Sanborn moved that the Trust Fund principle be drawn back to \$4,000 and that the accrued interest be given to the Boscawen Historical Society for the steeple restoration project. This will be pursued when the certificate matures.

Interest was expressed by Bell Atlantic NYNEX Mobile (BANM) in potentially constructing a cellular telephone tower on the Academy Lot, located in Choate Hill. BANM is also looking at a couple of parcels in town as possible sites. The Trustees stated their interest in this arrangement and will be following the developments of this project.

The Academy Trustees Record book, Number 2, covering the period of 1932 to 1970 was recently located. The Trustees voted to place the book at the Boscawen Historical Society museum.

This summarizes the business conducted by the Academy Trustees during the past year.

This report is presented to the Selectmen of the Town of Boscawen, February 10, 1997, by the Boscawen Academy Trustees in accordance to New Hampshire House Bill number 21 (approved March 29, 1971).

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald Welcome, President
Ronald Reed, Secretary
Charles Brown, Sr., Treasurer
Frances Rostron, Asst. Treasurer
Cynthia Houston
Roger Sanborn

BOSCAWEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Boscawen Historical Society has been your local connection to our past for 30 years. Incorporated on April 13, 1967, its purpose(s) is to obtain, preserve and exhibit historical memorabilia pertaining to the Town of Boscawen and its environs and to obtain, hold and use funds for that purpose.

Over the years the materials collected have increased and continue to do so. With the Fire/Police annex and redoing of the Academy interiors, our ability to effectively display materials has greatly improved. Our buildings have needed and continue to need extensive maintenance and rehabilitation. Much of this has continually been done with volunteer help but there is some which is beyond the capabilities of amateurs.

As the structures are not Town owned, we need to insure them to protect us from liability. The Historical Society is open for you, to serve you, but we do need your help.

The museum is open Sundays during July and August and other times upon request. Be a part of it!

THE CONCORD REGIONAL VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

The Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association continues to offer three major health services to the residents of Boscawen: Home Care, Hospice and Primary Care.

Home Care services respond to the health care needs of those patients with acute or chronic illness that require skilled professional and para-professional care so they may return to or remain in their homes. Emphasis is on promoting independence and maximum functioning of the patient within the least restrictive setting.

Hospice services provide professional and para-professional services to the terminally ill patient with a limited life expectancy. The goal is to enhance the quality of the patient's remaining life by helping he/she remain at home in comfort and dignity. Emphasis is on pain and symptom management and skilled intervention to meet the patient's special physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

In April of 1994 Hospice expanded its services to provide residential care with the opening of New Hampshire's first Hospice House. To date, this house has provided a home to approximately 158 terminally ill residents.

Primary Care and Preventive Services expanded from a health promotion and prevention focus to Family Health Center focus. The focus provides healthcare in a whole-life approach that means treating the individual from birth to senior adulthood. The Family Health Center services include family-centered medical care, preventive care, adult and senior health, child health, Baby's First Homecoming, immunizations for all ages, school linked clinics, parent education and support, Family Planning and Women's Health, obstetrical care, health education, nutritional counseling, HIV/AIDS counseling and testing, Mental Health Services and Sexually Transmitted Disease tests and treatment.

The Family Health Center offers 24 hours/day, 7 days/week service including physician care, hospital admitting privileges, and other care generally offered through a medical office setting. It is a joint initiative between Concord Hospital and Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association and it is an educational site for the NH/Dartmouth Family Practice Residency Program. Primary care physicians (from Concord Hospital's new Family Practice Residency Program), graduate education medical students (residents), registered nurse practitioners, registered nurses, social workers and other staff provided primary care to more than 7,800 clients in FY 96.

Health Promotion services focus on the low and marginal income families and individuals to prevent illness by professional assessment and screening for health risks and needs, by early intervention to prevent, eliminate, or minimize the impact of illness and/or disability,

and by anticipatory guidance and health teaching. Emphasis is on promoting healthy children, families and individuals through early intervention and health teaching. Services rendered in the clinic setting are: child health, prenatal, family planning, sexually transmitted disease, adult screening, immunizations, and HIV (AIDS) testing and counseling. Home visits are made in crisis situations or when needed health care cannot be given in the clinic. Senior health services are provided at congregate housing sites.

Professional and para-professional hourly home services are provided on a private fee-for-service basis. Health education and instruction are part of each home visit or clinic visit.

Anyone in Boscawen may request service; patient, doctor, health facility, pastor, friend or neighbor. All requests are answered, but continuing home care will only be provided with a physician's order.

A call to Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association (224-4093) is all that is necessary to start services or make inquiries. The CRVNA office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 5:00pm. A nurse is on call for hospice and home care patients; (224-4093) 4:30pm - 7:30am daily.

Federal regulations specify a charge is applicable to all visits. Fees are scaled for the individual without health insurance and/or who is unable to pay the full charge. However, to fee scale, federal regulations require a financial statement be completed by the patient or responsible person. Town monies subsidize those visits that are scaled or that no fee is collectible.

This agency is certified as a Medicare/Medicaid Provider, licensed by the State of New Hampshire, accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) and is a member agency of the United Way of Merrimack County.

Total visits made during October 1, 1995 through September 30, 1996:

	<u>No. of Clients</u>	<u>Visits</u>
Home Care/Hospice	83	3,377
Health Promotion/ Family Health Center	461	919
Total	544	4,296
12 Senior Health Clinics		
23 Health Education Sessions		
1 Flu Clinic		
14 Adult Bereavement Support Groups		
2 Children Bereavement Support Groups		
2 Hospice Volunteer Training Groups		

BOSCAWEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

In 1995, the Boscawen Conservation Commission (BCC) and the Town Forest committee began the process of revising the Boscawen Town Forest Management Plan. The Plan, written five years ago, is slated for review and revision every five years. Many management activities originally scheduled have been completed or are on-going. As always, we encourage everyone to visit the Boscawen Town Forest which is maintained and managed for all Boscawen citizens. Trail maps are stocked at the trailhead for easy exploration. This year, the entire Boscawen Conservation Commission is actively involved in creating a new, interpretive trail for the forest. This self-guided trail will have approximately a dozen numbered sites that correspond to educational text contained in a pictorial booklet. Each site will feature a unique habitat or management activity. Construction of the trail is currently slated to begin in the spring of 1997. Look for details of its progress in the Boscawen Newsvine. Unfortunately, challenges are ongoing in the maintenance of the existing Boscawen Town Forest trailhead and trail system. There has recently been an increase in undesirable activity in the parking area leading to trash dumping and vandalism of town property. The Conservation Commission asks that citizens report any such activity to the Boscawen Police Department.

The Boscawen Conservation Commission continues its partnerships with other town departments and organizations by delegating a BCC member as an active representative to the Walker Pond Study Committee. The BCC was one of the sponsors in the Project Learning Tree program for 21 Merrimack Valley School District teachers. This program trains teachers to include environmental and conservation issues in their curriculum in an objective manner. Further educational support was provided by contributing toward a song bird package and planting project by local schools. The Boscawen Conservation Commission's chair has been elected as a director to the NH Association of Conservation Commissions which provides support and assistance to member commissions.

Other BCC activities this year included monitoring the conservation easements for the Cummings, Jones and Cabot properties. This year, a representative from the NH Office of State Planning accompanied Commission members on their inspection of the Land Conservation Investment Program properties. The commission is in communication with the NH Department of Environmental Services who is working toward resolving the leather dump area in the Boscawen Town Forest. Each month a different member of the BCC writes an article featuring different activities of the BCC and other conservation issues for the "Conservation Corner" column in the Boscawen Newsvine.

With recent changes in the State of New Hampshire Wetlands Bureaus, local conservation commissions have become more involved in the permitting process. The Wetlands Board has been eliminated with

decisions being made by the existing Wetlands Bureau. With the advent of expedited permits for minor impact projects, conservation commissions are being asked to review these applications and in some cases perform site inspections. The conservation commission can then make recommendations to the Bureau or waive further involvement. For more information on wetlands permits, please call the Wetlands Bureau at 271-2147.

By-laws were amended this year to create associate membership. Associate membership is open to anyone who cannot commit to full membership to the BCC but wishes a more formalized affiliation. Associate members may attend meetings and serve on sub-committees but cannot vote at commission meetings.

The Boscawen Conservation Commission meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Planning & Zoning building behind the church. The meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Volunteers are always needed to help with trail work and other activities. This year, there will be openings for both regular and alternate members. For more information please call Michele Tremblay, at 796-2615 or email, mtrembla@kear.tdsnet.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele L. Tremblay
Chairperson

**UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER
LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT - 1996**

Although the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) focused largely on its citizen volunteer water quality monitoring program, it was very active in a number of other issues in the upper Merrimack River watershed.

The UMRLAC consists of representatives from Boscawen, Bow, Canterbury, Concord, Franklin and Northfield who represent a wide range of interests. This year, the Committee amended its bylaws to include the officer position of Treasurer and to allow for absentee voting. It also drafted and adopted its annual workplan. This plan includes working with a representative from the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission. This representative is working with the Town of Canterbury to develop a model for upper Merrimack River communities to recognize and to adopt key actions of the UMRLAC's Management and Implementation Plan in their master plans and town or city ordinances. The Committee continues to monitor river-related activity in the legislature and maintains a presence in the local media. Several representatives have been chosen to present and speak at a number of conferences, educational institutions, and sports and recreational groups.

As part of its state established duties under RSA 483:8-a, the Committee reviewed and commented on several river related proposals including the New Hampshire Fish & Game Department's final phase proposal for the Sewall's Falls access area in Concord and the Riverlands conservation area project in Canterbury. The veteran's cemetery in Boscawen is slated for review by the Committee with a representative from the New Hampshire Department of Public Works in early 1997. Meetings have been lively and interesting with a variety of guest speakers including representatives from the Salem Conservation Commission and the NH Department of Transportation, Bureau of Railroads and Public Transportation.

The Committee's Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP) made great strides in its second year. The Committee applied for and received a Local Involvement Grant from the Merrimack River Initiative. In its first year, the UMMP relied solely on loaned equipment. This grant enabled the Committee to purchase equipment and supplies for ongoing and independent continuation of the Program. This funding also enabled the UMMP to be expanded from its initial seven sites from Franklin to Boscawen to a total of eleven sites extending to Garvin's Falls in Bow. UMMP volunteers sample water at each of the sites every other week for ten weeks every summer. Water samples are processed at no charge by the Franklin Wastewater Treatment Facility. To collect more in-depth water quality data, rock baskets are also placed at each site. These baskets are colonized by macroinvertebrates (aquatic insects) and removed in six to eight weeks. After volunteers' analysis, their quantity, health and diversity provides an accurate picture of the river's health.

All data is collected and processed using an EPA-approved Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan. Franklin High School hosted identification sessions in the 1995/1996 season. In its second year, the UMMP looks forward to working with both Franklin High School and St. Paul's School so that more area volunteers may participate. This year the Program obtained customized maps detailing aspects of features and land use in its watershed. These maps are used in workshops and presentations at conferences, schools and other local groups. Work is ongoing with the Merrimack River Watershed Council to develop a study plan and fundraising strategy for the UMMP.

Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee plans for 1997 include continuation of the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program. The Committee is actively pursuing additional funding sources for the maintenance and expansion of the Program. The Committee hopes to broaden its value as a community and educational tool. Utilizing river data and its broad base of volunteers, the Committee plans to develop a nonpoint source education program and to encourage Best Management Practices in the watershed. Additional projects include the creation of a communications package with brochures and other media to enhance water quality awareness and river stewardship.

The UMRAC meetings are held on a rotating basis in the six represented communities. The Committee meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. For meeting schedules and more information contact Michele Tremblay, chairperson, at 796-2615, email: mtrembla@kear.tdsnet.com or your local representatives listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele L. Tremblay
Chairperson

Boscawen's Representatives:

Michele L. Tremblay
Stephen C. Landry

U N H COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

UNH Cooperative Extension provides Merrimack County residents with research-based education and information, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families, and communities, sustain natural resources, forests, wildlife and agriculture, and improve the economy.

As your local link to the University of New Hampshire, Cooperative Extension provides practical education to people of all ages.

Because of our partnership with Merrimack County, the State of New Hampshire and the federal government, we go by the special name of UNH Cooperative Extension. In every Merrimack County community, this partnership is at work, increasing economic development, enhancing the environment and developing human potential.

Extension educators provide informal educational programs in the areas of Natural Resources and Family, Community and Youth, advised and assisted by a local advisory council.

Merrimack County residents also benefit from state-wide Extension programming. Among these many local and state efforts are monitoring water quality in our lakes and rivers, reducing the use of pesticides, parenting programs, 4-H and Youth Development programs, land use management, food safety, forest stewardship, family finances, meeting the needs of low income families, strengthening our communities, developing a strong volunteer base and providing research-based information to citizens.

The staff in Merrimack County includes nine Extension educators, two state specialists and three support staff. Educators reach approximately 1.5 out of every four families in the county.

Visit our office, located at the Merrimack County Nursing Home Complex, 327 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen. We're open Monday-Friday, 8 AM until 4:30 PM. Or call us at 225-5505 and 796-2151 or find us on the Web at [HTTP://CEINFO.UNH.EDU](http://CEINFO.UNH.EDU).

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
For the Year Ending December 31, 1996

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom	Residence of Groom	Surname of Bride	Residence of Bride
January 20	Roland John Gagne, Jr.	Boscawen	Dawn Sue Minery	Boscawen
February 14	Roy Edgar Roy, Jr.	Concord	Lisa Ann Thibodeau	Boscawen
March 16	Thomas Alan Welcome	Boscawen	Lynda Lee Frye	Boscawen
March 16	Ronald Warren Stevens	Boscawen	Tamara Jean White	Boscawen
June 8	James Joseph Arnold	Boscawen	Donna Susan Varrell	Boscawen
June 8	Jon Eric Hoffman	Boscawen	Davina Rita McAnallen	Boscawen
June 22	Norman Lee Riel	Boscawen	Vicki L. Johnson	Boscawen
July 4	Gary F. Brazel	Boscawen	Caroletta C. Clarke	Boscawen
July 6	Joseph Russell Clark	Concord	Nancy Lee Stevens	Boscawen
August 10	Bret A. Chapman	Boscawen	Dorreen R. Barrett	Boscawen
August 10	Brian Robert Easler	Boscawen	Stephanie Ann Joyce	Boscawen
August 11	James Leroy Ross	Concord	Laura Lee Bowler	Boscawen
August 24	Jay DeSalvo	Boscawen	Betty Gail Saltmarsh	Boscawen
August 30	Joseph Arthur Martin, Jr.	Boscawen	Julie Fae Bessette	Boscawen
August 31	L. James Porter, III	Boscawen	Julie Ann Smith	Boscawen
September 7	Michael John Cheney	Concord	Lisa Marie Jameson	Boscawen
September 7	David Joseph Huckins	Boscawen	Tracy Eileen Morin	Boscawen
September 14	Nick Gene Blodgett	Boscawen	Christy Marie Barton	Boscawen
September 21	John E. Dale	Boscawen	Robin J. Warner	Boscawen
September 28	Mark Richard Marr	Boscawen	Sandra Hodgdon	Boscawen
October 5	Richard Lyman Goodhue	Boscawen	Christy Lee Blouin	Boscawen
October 12	Francis William Dineen, Jr.	Boscawen	Stephanie Lynn Hill	Boscawen
October 12	Dana L. McIntosh	Boscawen	June L. Perry	Boscawen
October 13	Scott Russell Siantal	Boscawen	Mary Kathleen Trader	Boscawen
October 19	James Arthur Harvey	Boscawen	Kristine Louise Taylor	Boscawen
October 26	Stephen Timothy Andrus	Boscawen	Jennifer Rebecca Morgan Tinker	Boscawen

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Anne S. Hardy, Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31, 1996

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
January 4	Concord	Nathaniel Lawrence Perrault	Mark Lawrence Perrault	Tammy Lynn Adams
January 31	Manchester	Joseph George Mason	Brian Peter Mason	Susan Anne Topolosky
February 1	Concord	Benjamin Ronald Reed	Ronald Winston Reed	Kathryn Louise Bassett
February 10	Concord	Lydia Abigail Graham	Thomas Edward Graham, II	Krista Lynn Zobel
February 16	Concord	Felicia Colleen Fields	Michael Joseph Fields	Colleen Rosanna Wojcik
March 14	Concord	Hunter Sue Stevens	Shawn Michael Stevens	Renee Sue Small
March 20	Concord	Meghan Beth Bowes	James Elton Bowes	Danielle Marie Bourne
March 23	Concord	Jordan Matthew Stacy	Michael Francis Stacy	Cari Lynn Wilson
March 24	Concord	Andrew Steven Ohman	Steven David Ohman	Sherri Lynn Durham
April 6	Concord	Nicholas Lawrence Dodgeron Reagan	George Douglas Reagan	Rhonda Lee Burton
May 1	Lebanon	Cheyenne Marie Sprague	Jonathan Franklin Sprague	Angela Ruth Dockham
May 31	Concord	Brittanie Sue Owen	Kevin Jay Owen	Patricia Eileen Coltes
June 2	New London	Robert Ernest Smith	Raymond Ernest Smith	Lisa Ann Kelley
June 13	Concord	Lily Elizabeth Davis	Bruce Anthony Davis	Rebecca Diane White
June 13	Concord	Jennifer Robin McMahon	Kevin Gerald McMahon	Denise Michele Blanchette
June 20	Concord	Brady Adam Mock	Gregory Nathan Mock	Tracy Lynn Ham
June 24	Concord	Kevin Robert Crutchfield	Kevin George Crutchfield	Jean Marie Durocher
June 7	Concord	Nicholas Austin Ellsworth	James Nelson Ellsworth	Veronica Lynn Richardson
July 7	Manchester	Devon Burton Silver	Randell Paul Silver	Holly Melinda Lewis
July 24	Concord	Jaimie Lynn Mitchell	Philip Irving Mitchell Jr.	Cheryl Mary Loughery
August 23	Concord	Alain Claude Authier	Claude Robert Authier	Doris Annette Komm
August 30	Concord	Lydia Susan Haswell	William Joseph Haswell	Emily Ellen Walkeep
October 1	Laconia	Morganne Elizabeth Waldo	Robert Henry Waldo Jr.	Ramona Ida Dion
October 4	Concord	Ashlee Nicole Bliss	Brent Richard Bliss	Rhonda Elaine Miner
November 4	Manchester	Rachel Rose Demers	Daniel Robert Demers	Kristin Maria Portinari
December 10	Concord	Abigail Sara Gilpatrick	Bradford Wayne Gilpatrick	Kimilie Jean Osgood
December 17	Concord	Bobbi Gene Gnann	Robert Eugene Gnann	Marybeth Maureen Murdock
December 19	Lebanon	Kenneth Ryan Ellis	Edwin Richard Ellis	Carol Anne Dussault

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Anne S. Hardy, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
For the Year Ending December 31, 1996

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Name of Mother
January 5	Boscawen	Seldon S. Beard	Roland Beard	Verna Aiken
January 6	Boscawen	Virginia M. Castagnacci	Ernest D'Andrea	Civita Triangolo
January 24	Franklin	Charles F. Goodnow III	Charles F. Goodnow Jr.	Dorothy Eaton
January 24	Boscawen	Elizabeth M. Welch	John Williams Adams	Agnes Ann Turnbull
January 27	Boscawen	Mary E. Pryharski	Gregory Elkinson	Victoria
January 31	Boscawen	Arlene E. Eames	Henry Fifield	Cedena Dorey
February 1	Boscawen	Margaret K. Mulvehill	William Kealy	Bridget O'Connor
February 4	Boscawen	Eleanor A. Frost	Arthur Flamand	Valerie Miner
February 11	Boscawen	Marie P. Lassonde	Charles P. Lamotte	Elizabeth Kelley
February 12	Concord	Raymond Albert Deragon	Albert Deragon	Ruby Leavitt
February 22	Boscawen	Doris Claire Soble	Martin H. Parichand	Eugenie Juneau
February 26	Concord	Dorothy LaClair	George Angwin	Elizabeth Angwin
March 2	Concord	Iverna M. Colman	David L. Carson Sr.	Iva Towle
March 13	Boscawen	Edward Mickolus	Martin Mikulis	Victoria Yvaska
March 15	Boscawen	Ruth Hope Dows	Dix L. Bailey	Maude M. McKeown
March 18	Boscawen	Amelia J. Gifford	Alexander Littlejohn	Jane Anderson
March 21	Boscawen	William A. Meeh	Elmer A. Meeh	Elizabeth Smith
March 23	Boscawen	Phyllis J. Murphy	Oliver Murphy	Alice Shute
March 23	Franklin	Alex Spencer Fraser Sr.	Frederick Fraser	Edith Blanche Barber
March 24	Boscawen	Flossie E. Durgin	Solomon England	Emilia Giroux
April 4	Boscawen	Kathryn Wright Colby	Eugene S. Wright	Marion Olmstead
April 8	Boscawen	William C. Silver	Clarence L. Silver	Lizzie Abbott
April 11	Boscawen	Mary Evelyn Hemphill	Charles H. Westney	Alma Idel Green
April 11	Boscawen	Doris M. Lake	Robert Mason	Pauline Mason
April 14	Boscawen	Florence E. Hanson	Adalor Premier	Margaret Hammell
May 1	Boscawen	Vallance A. Wickens	Vallance A. Wickens	Margaret Gibson
May 8	Boscawen	Theodore Sewell Dickerson Sr.	Harrie Dickerson	Mida Shaw
May 17	Boscawen	Julius Alfred Gasparrini	Frank Gasparrini	Mary Cerone
May 23	Boscawen	Alphonse E. Pelletier	Edmund Pelletier	Aurea Michelin
May 23	Boscawen	Joseph Louis George Martin (aka George A. Martin)	Alpheria Martin	Emma Langlois

May 24	Concord	Arthur T. Henderson	Ross L. Henderson	Vivian Toof
May 26	Concord	Lena Exilia Gagne	Charles Lacasse	Philomene Fortier
May 30	Boscawen	Ethel Mary Hanley	Clayton Landers	Mary O'Neill (aka Coffey)
May 30	Boscawen	Wallace W. Mitchell	Winfield Mitchell	Eva Mabel Clerke
June 4	Boscawen	Mary Rose Edwena Beaulieu	Denis Labbe	Emilia Baron
June 8	Boscawen	Anna B. Chute	Santos Conti	Agnes Banois
June 8	Boscawen	Jacquelyn R. Lewis	Leon Recor	Cecile Richardson
June 17	Boscawen	George A. Guimond	Alfred Zoel Guimond	Donna Currier
June 20	Boscawen	Mary Frances Glines	J. Frank Marden	Lillian Manning
June 23	Boscawen	Evelyn E. Bartlett	George H. Bartlett	Jennie Hadley
July 3	Concord	Allan N. Whitman	Fred E. Whitman	Jennie G. Bell
July 5	Concord	Dorothy C. Milliken	John W. Clare	Mary Bakewell
July 5	Boscawen	C. Frances Wilson	Earle F. Wilson	Marie A. Dyer
July 13	Concord	Ernest Omer Cummings	Ernest E. Cummings	Regina Seymour
July 14	Boscawen	Helen F. Foote	Ernest F. Meader	Jennie Adams
July 16	Boscawen	Annie Matthews Quimby	Frank Matthews	Margaret Merry
July 28	Concord	Helen C. Lloyd	George Ford	Jenny Morgan
August 4	Boscawen	Edward Perriello	Marciano Perriello	Angelina Dimattesi
August 7	Boscawen	Edith A. Maxfield	Alexander Gibson	Mabel Lund
August 7	Boscawen	Manfred Perron	Frank Perron	Briggitta Myer
August 8	Boscawen	Walter F. Lassonde	Walter S. Lassonde	Mary Champagne
August 12	Concord	Vincent Paul Gorman	John Gorman	Mary Carlin
August 18	Boscawen	Albertine Giroux	Israel Ferland	Helene Brisebois
August 22	Boscawen	Julia I. Trudell	Henry A. Trudell	Alida St. Cyr
August 25	Boscawen	Josephine M. Wellington	Philippe Simoneau	Aurelia LaFond
September 2	Boscawen	Beatrice Landry	Joseph Cormier	Philomena LeBlanc
September 12	Boscawen	Ruth S. Fegley	John B. Stewart	Sophia Becker
September 15	Concord	Rose Stabin	Joshua Engel	Unknown
September 15	Boscawen	Charles J. Thomas	Charles J. Thomas	Catherine McHugh
September 15	Boscawen	Irene E. Woodward	George Day	Hattie Pendexter
September 16	Concord	M. Louise Prescott	Harry A. Clay	Edith Reed
September 17	Boscawen	E. Louize Jordan	Alex Wilson	Augusta Steeves
September 18	Boscawen	Florence G. Nichols	Ralph Simpson	Gladys Mae Murch

September 21	Boscawen	Corana Odelie Dickner	Thomas Beaulieu	Odelie Lamirande
September 30	Boscawen	Walter W. Burt	Walter Burt	Louise Walters
October 2	Boscawen	Arthur Otis Frew Jr.	Arthur Otis Frew	Winnifred French
October 2	Boscawen	Henrietta E. Maynard	William Maynard	Lella Lister
October 5	Boscawen	Margaret Sejkousky	Steven Nagy	Susan
October 6	Boscawen	Margaret F. Geary	Fred Sears (aka Fred Cyr)	Annie McCann
October 12	Boscawen	Frances Louise Whittemore	Ira William Lund	Mabel F. Hale
October 15	Concord	Alice Odelie Desmarais	Nazaire Gamelin	Adelina Desmarais
October 15	Boscawen	Margaret Fisher	John Lavery	Bridget King
October 21	Boscawen	Beatrice C. Abbott	Thomas Ballardie	Mary Freeman
October 24	Boscawen	Sylvia Agnes Bartlett	Rollin Don Sears	Stella Mae Hemenway
October 24	Boscawen	Regina Harbour	Adolphe Beauchesne	Melanda Grammont
October 31	Boscawen	Viola Anna Bacon	Joseph Wiesner	Elisabeth Wagner
November 3	Boscawen	Margaret E. Byrne	Charles Byrne	Mary J. Arnold
November 11	Boscawen	Ellen B. Bowen	George E. Little	Margaret Bigelow
November 12	Boscawen	John Francis Viens	John Viens	Blanch Trudel
November 15	Boscawen	Vera E. French	Jed W. Everett	Ida Phelps
November 17	Boscawen	Alfred Joseph Bersaw (aka Joseph Alfred Bourassa)	Alphonse Bourassa	Antionette Jacob
November 23	Concord	Christina Frances Daigneault	Joseph Glover	Stella Forseth
November 25	Concord	Violet M. Ashland	Horace Ward	Edith Tyler
November 28	Boscawen	Helen Kruzcek	Felix Kruzcek	Anna Fick
December 3	Boscawen	Doris Ann Cate	Joseph Morin	Mary Cote
December 6	Boscawen	Marion W. Cross	Dexter Perley Whiting	Evelyn Campbell
December 9	Boscawen	George H. Wallace	Morris Wallace	Etta Burrill
December 10	Boscawen	Forrestina Herbert	Forrest Gault	Mable Holmes
December 11	Boscawen	Emma H. Kinsley	Stanislaus Francoeur	Helen G. Leohr
December 27	Boscawen	Doris A. Kimball	George Abbott	Agnes Clark
December 27	Boscawen	Helen Mayo	James J. Manning	Helen M. Harlan
December 28	Concord	Esther M. Pennock	Arthur Sweet	Elizabeth May Frantz

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Anne S. Hardy, Town Clerk

