

In recognition of the upcoming 75th anniversary of Andover's annual Independence Day Celebration, this year's Town Report features the Andover Fourth of July Committee. On this page you'll find a history of the Celebration; throughout the rest of the Town Report you'll find photos of Celebrations past.

# A Brief History of Andover's **Independence Day Celebration** 1942 - 2017

The present tradition of Andover's Independence ■ Day celebrations was started 75 years ago in July 1942, in the early months of World War II, by two members of the Blackwater Grange, Etta Currier Haughton and Olive Seavey. The celebration, including a children's parade, was intended to entertain Andover children at a time when so many of their family members were away defending our country on foreign shores when the outcome of World War II was far from being certain.

Shortly thereafter, volunteers from our community formally organized to form the Fourth of July Committee, a non-profit community service organization, whose sole purpose was to plan, oversee, and pay the costs associated with Andover's Independence Day Celebration. Over the years since 1942, it is estimated that more than 100 community members have served on the Fourth of July Committee, giving of their time and energy to make our town's Independence Day Celebration the wonderful event that it has become.

And over these same 75 years, the dedicated members of the Fourth of July Committee, with the support of many of our community's civic organizations, have added more features to Andover's celebration, such as a pancake breakfast, a much larger parade, band concert, field games, bingo games, baseball games, pony pulling contest, art exhibit, street dancing, ham and bean supper, midway, and fireworks, until our celebration has grown into an elaborate event for the whole community and great numbers of outside visitors as well.

On the front cover: The Andover Boy Scouts raise the flag for Andover's Fourth of July celebration in 1976, America's bicentennial year.

On the back cover: Little Bo Peep won first prize in the Fourth of July Children's parade in 1978.

Andover's Fourth of July Celebration has become our community's "Big Day," a celebration in which everyone is invited to take part. Outside commercialization has been avoided, except that local, nonprofit organizations and businesses are welcome to participate in the parade and other activities on the Andover Village Green, contributing a percentage of their profits toward continuing the event the following year.

In 2014, the Fourth of July Committee officially became a committee of the Town of Andover, but the Committee has continued to operate much as it has over the years, and the Town government and Proctor Academy have continued to support the celebration as always.

On behalf of the Town of Andover and the Fourth of July Committee ... to those of you who have been here before, nice seeing you again! To you who make this your first visit, welcome! We hope you will enjoy yourself on this Fourth of July as we observe and celebrate our country's Independence Day together. May we all share many more!



Turtle races at the Midway in 1981.

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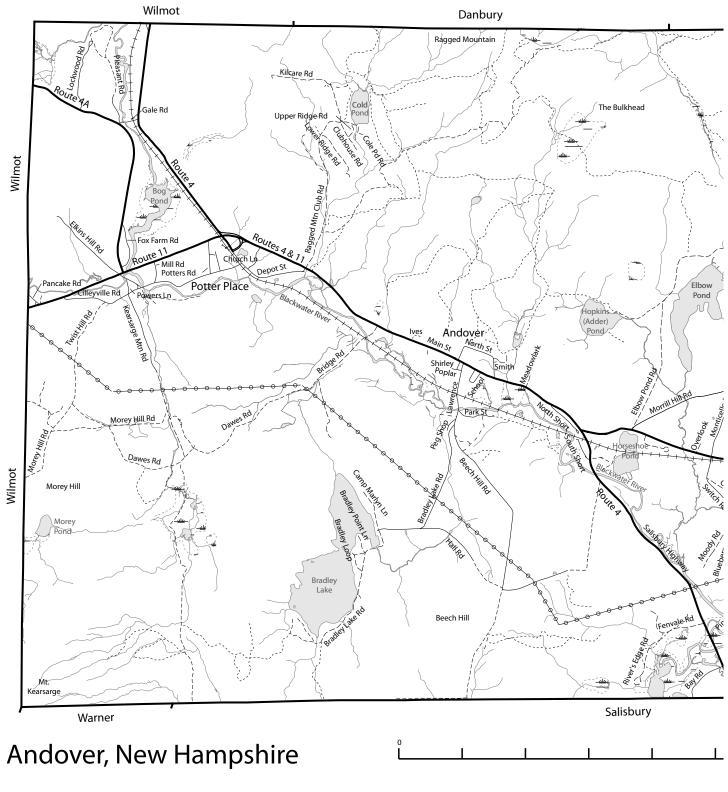
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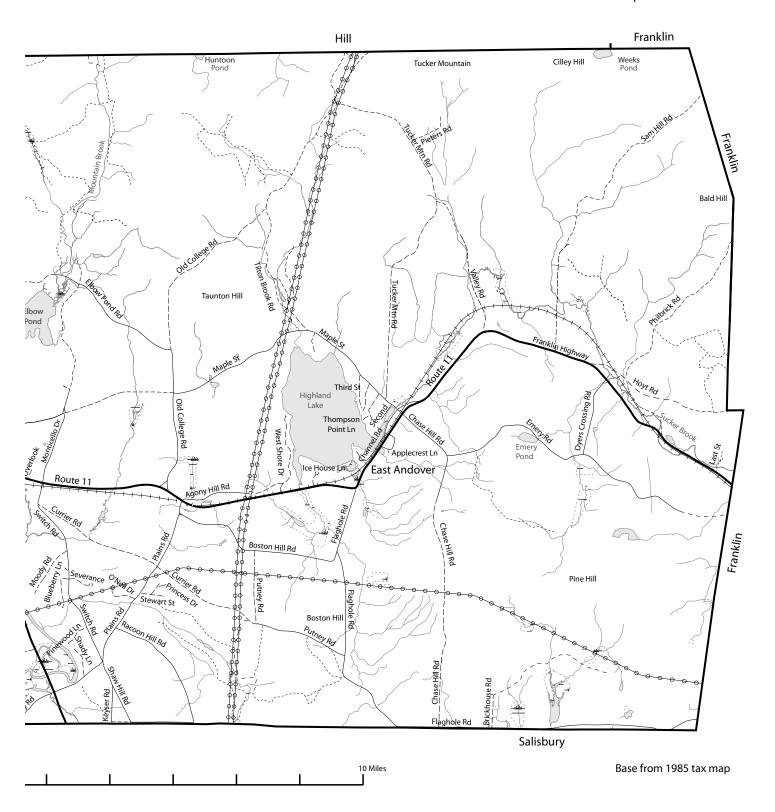
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The Blackwater River Watershed Association's float in 1972. Photo: C. Wein







## **OFFICERS AND MEMBERS**

The year in parentheses is the year in which the person's term expires.

## **TOWN OFFICERS, MEMBERS, and EMPLOYEES**

### SELECT BOARD

elected for three-year term Vicky Mishcon, Chair (2019) James Delaney, Sr. (2018) David Blinn (2017)

### **TOWN OFFICE**

hired by the Select Board
Marjorie Roy, Town Administrator
Elita Reed, Bookkeeper/Accountant
Lois Magenau, Secretary

### **ROAD AGENT**

elected for two-year term John Thompson (2018)

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

hired by the Select Board
Glenn E. Laramie, Chief
Joseph P. Mahoney, III, Sergeant
Timothy Dow
David A. Hewitt
Daniel C. Shaw
Patricia Moyer, Secretary

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

appointed by the Select Board
Jane Hubbard, Director
Christine Braley, Deputy Director

# BOARD OF HEALTH and OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Select Board

### SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

elected for six-year term Arthur C. Urie (2018) Doug Phelps (2020) Janet Splan (2022)

## **TREASURER**

elected for two-year term Shirley H. Currier (2018)

## **TOWN MODERATOR**

elected for two-year term Daniel Coolidge (2018)

## TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

elected for three-year term Joanna Sumner (2019) appointed by Town Clerk/Tax Collector Bonnie Wesley, Deputy

### **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

elected for three-year term
Arch Weathers, Chair (2018)
William Bardsley (2017)
James Delaney, ex officio
Edwin Hiller (2019)
Mary Anne Levesque,
Recording Secretary (2019)
Chris Norris (2017)
Mark Heller, ex officio
Nancy Teach (2018)

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

elected for three-year term Janet Moore (2019), Chair Deb Brower (2017) Susan Chase (2019) Barbara Freeman (2018) Caroline Moulton-Ratzki (2018)

## TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

elected for three-year term Joanne Edgar, Chair (2017) Alex Estin (2019) Sarah Whitehead (2018)

### PLANNING BOARD

appointed by the Select Board for three-year term Nancy Teach, Chair (2018) Jon Warzocha, Vice Chair (2019) Lisa Meier, Secretary Randall Costa (2017) Doug Phelps (2017) Paul Currier (2018) Art Urie (2017) Leonard Caron, Alternate (2017) David Blinn, ex officio

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

appointed by the Select Board for three-year term Dan Coolidge, Chair Jeff Bushey Duncan Coolidge

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Todd Goings
John Guiheen
Lisa Meier, Secretary
Jeff Newcomb
Julie Rector

### PLANNING & ZONING COORDINATOR

hired by the Select Board Patricia Moyer

## ZONING CODE ADMINISTRATOR

appointed by the Select Board David Powers, Jr.

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

appointed by the Select Board Mary Anne Broshek, Chair Gerald Hersey, Vice Chair Laurence Chase Tina Cotton Nancy "Nan" Kaplan Derek Mansell

# CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

appointed by the Select Board
Doug Phelps, Chair
Chuck Keyser
Dennis Fenton
Jeff Newcomb
Bill Leber
Marjorie Roy
Jim Delaney

### TRANSFER STATION

hired by the Select Board Reggie Roy, Supervisor Debra Guinard, Attendant Jennifer Lee, Attendant

### **CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

elected for three-year term Pat Cutter (2017) Jim Reed (2018) Bill Keyser (2017)

### RECREATION COMMITTEE

appointed by the Select Board Tom Frantz, Chair Brian Reynolds, Vice Chair Alan Hanscom, Treasurer Tim Norris, Secretary

Scott Allenby Andrew Donaldson

Jen Hauser Heidi Murphy Sue Norris Kurt Weber

### FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE

appointed by the Select Board Steve Smith, Co-Chair Bob Ward, Co-Chair Doug Phelps, Vice Chair Alita Phelps, Secretary Wood Sutton, Treasurer

**Betty Adams** Shirley Currier Mike Elveth

Donna Fortune French

Beth Frost Michelle Gage Irene Jewett Judy Perreault Mary Shampney Jeannette Shedd Rose Tilton

## PROCTOR/TOWN LIAISON COMMITTEE

appointed by Select Board/Proctor Alex Estin, Chair Bill Bardsley John Cotton Annie MacKenzie

John Ferris Mike Henriques Karl Methven Vicky Mishcon

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN

*appointed by the State Forester* Stephen AJ Barton, Sr. 735-5984

### **DEPUTY WARDENS**

Chuck Ellis 735-5182

Darren Gove

Fred Lance 735-5122 Rene Lefebvre 934-2197

### **AUDITORS**

hired by the Select Board Plodzik & Sanderson

## DISTRICT AND PRECINCT OFFICERS

## ANDOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board elected on Town Meeting day for three-year term Michelle Dudek, Chair (2018) Mark Heller, Vice Chair (2018) Dean Barker (2019) Annie MacKenzie (2019) Misty Sava (2017) District Officers elected on Town *Meeting day for one-year term* Betsy Paine, Moderator (2017)

Christie Coll, Clerk (2017) Shirley Currier, Treasurer (2017)

## ANDOVER FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 elected at District Meeting

Andy Guptill, Commissioner (2019) John Kinney, Commissioner (2017) Fred Lance, Clerk/Treasurer (2017) Mark Stetson, Moderator (2017)

EAST ANDOVER FIRE PRECINCT elected at Precinct Meeting

Glenn Haley, Commissioner (2019) Greg Stetson, Commissioner (2017) Scott Kidder, Commissioner (2018) JoAnn Hicks, Moderator (2017) Edwin Hiller, Auditor (2017)

## ANDOVER VILLAGE DISTRICT

elected at District Meeting Lisa Meier, Clerk/Treasurer (2017) Toby Locke, Commissioner (2018) Joseph Vercellotti, Commissioner (2017)

### ANDOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

Rene Lefebvre, Chief Stephen Barton, Deputy Chief Chuck Ellis, Deputy Chief Darren Gove, Captain Jacob Johnson, Captain Zachary Barton, Lieutenant Scott Davis, Lieutenant William MacDuffie, Lieutenant Mark Perry, Lieutenant

Glenn Haley, Engineer Tim Eltzroth, Engineer JoAnn Hicks, Treasurer Carter Atwood, Firefighter William Demers, Firefighter Logan Donovan, Fierfighter David Grant, Firefighter Andrew Guptill, Firefighter Scott Kidder, Firefighter

Fred Lance, Treasurer Austin Marceau, Explorer Diana Miller, Firefighter Jeff Miller, Firefighter Andrew Perkins, Firefighter Lloyd Perreault, Houseman Stewart Randall, Firefighter Benjamin Seaver, Firefighter Erin Vien, Firefighter

### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS**

John Kinney, Chief, EMT Greg Stetson, Deputy Chief, A-EMT Jeffery Clark, Captain, A-EMT Stephen Fecteau, Paramedic Philip Hackmann, A-EMT

Jason Jenkins, A-EMT Scott Kidder, Student Rene Lefebvre, EMT William MacDuffie, EMT Jeffrey Miller, EMT

Diane Miller, student Jake Otis, student Andrew Perkins, A-EMT Chris Young, EMT

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### STATE LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES

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Rep. Natalie Wells (2018)
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**US HOUSE** 

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Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (2020)
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G22-2204
Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (2020)
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# **A Note About Pennies in the Town Report**

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In order to make everything as easy to read as possible, we've eliminated pennies throughout the Town Report by rounding each figure (including totals) to the nearest dollar. That means that in some cases, a total may appear to be off by a dollar or two from what it appears that it should be. Rest assured, however, that no figure, not even a total, is off by more than 50¢ from the exact figure that was reported.



Andover's old firetruck with kids on board.

C. Wein

## TOWN OF ANDOVER WARRANT

Town Meeting, March 14, 2017

The polls will be open from 11 AM to 7 PM on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. Articles 1 and 2, below, will be voted on during polling hours.

Town Meeting begins after the polls close at 7 PM.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By ballot vote during polling hours.)

**ARTICLE 2:** Are you in favor of an amendment to the Andover Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board to add Article XV: Accessory Dwelling Units? (By ballot vote during polling hours. By law, this amendment cannot be voted on during Town Meeting.)

See page 10 for the full text of the proposed amendment to the Andover Zoning Ordinance.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,636,918 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$338,976 to add to the following Capital Reserve Funds (CRF) previously established:

Revaluation CRF	\$10,476
Ambulance Replacement CRF	25,000
Highway Equipment (Grader) CRF	15,000
Highway Projects CRF	150,000
Police Cruiser Replacement CRF	13,500
Transfer Station Equipment CRF	10,000
Bridge Rehabilitation CRF	115,000

The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

The current balance of each of these funds appears on page 16.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and

## **Fund Balance**

For the year-end balance of any trust fund, see the Trustee of Trust Funds Report on page 16. For the year-end balance of revolving funds, see the Revolving Funds Report on page 15.

## **Notice**

The Town of Andover warrant and budget published here were the best available as of press time; they are not necessarily the official documents that will be presented at Town Meeting. The official documents will be posted by Monday, February 27, 2017 at the following locations:

- outside the AE/MS gym (the town polling place)
- at the Town Office
- at the town Post Offices
- on the Town Web site at Andover.NH.us

appropriate \$31,000 to add to the following Expendable Trust Funds (ETF) previously established.

Forest Fire Labor ETF	\$5,000
Town Buildings ETF	20,000
Technology ETF	6,000

The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

The current balance of each of these funds appears on page 16.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the purchase and installation of granite posts and chain for the Lake View Cemetery to be purchased in 2017. The Select Board recommends this article. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Lake View Cemetery Fence Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for fence at the Lake View Cemetery and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Cemetery Trustees as agents to expend from said fund. This article will be moved only if Article 6 fails. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Fourth of July Celebration Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a for the 2017 Celebration and to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to put in the fund, with this amount to come from taxation; further, to name the officers of the

The minutes for last year's Town Meeting begin on page 56.

Fourth of July Committee as agents to expend from said fund. This appropriation will replace the door-to door canvassing previously done to raise funding. The Select Board recommends this article. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to put in the fund. This sum to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the General Fund. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of upgrading the energy system of the Town Office/Town Library Building. Energy upgrade will include the purchase and installation of an energy efficient heat pump system providing heat, air conditioning, and ventilation. The \$15,000 will come from previously established funds: \$10,000 from the Town Building Maintenance ETF and \$5,000 from the Unassigned Fund Balance. Upon completion of the project, a rebate of \$3,369 from NHEC will go to the General Fund. This is a tax-neutral article. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to negotiate and execute agreements, including a 20-year license (with possible extensions up to 30 years), with Revision Energy of Portland, Maine, and to take actions and execute documents reasonably related thereto, necessary to facilitate a Power Purchase Agreement for a solar energy system that will serve the Town of Andover Town Offices? This is a tax-neutral article. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the facilitating of the Power Purchase Agreement for a solar system to serve the Town of Andover Town Offices. This sum is to come from the Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund, previously established, and no amount will come from taxa-

tion. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund pursuant to RSA 31:19 for the purpose of funding a solar energy system for the Town of Andover Town Offices, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,954 to be placed into the fund. These funds will come from the Unassigned Fund Balance, therefore the article is tax-neutral. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

Note: Each year for six years we will ask to raise and appropriate \$2,954 from the Unassigned Fund Balance to be placed into this fund, at which point the Town will have the option to purchase the system for its then-discounted value of \$17,724.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$620,000 to fund the Morrill Hill Road Bridge replacement. This project qualifies for State Bridge Aid Funds, the State reimbursing the Town for 80% of the total cost. Funding for this project will come from the previously established funds: \$179,888 from the Morrill Hill Road Bridge CRF and the remaining \$440,112 from the Unassigned Fund Balance. The 80% reimbursement from the State will be returned to the Town's General Fund. The Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

(The Town voted to fund this project in 2009, at an estimated cost of \$420,000. Those funds have not lapsed, per RSA 32:7-IV, which states that money raised to be refunded by state or federal grants is non-lapsing. The town's 20% portion of the project will be \$124,000, but because of "gross budgeting", we must raise and appropriate the full amount.)

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt RSA 41:14-a The Acquisition or Sale of Land, Buildings, or Both:

If adopted in accordance with RSA 41:14-c, the Select Board shall have the authority to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both; provided however they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review

# **Frequently Asked Questions and Moderators Rules**

In order to save on printing costs, we've moved both the Frequently Asked Questions section and the Moderators Rules section out of the printed Town Report and placed them each on the Town Web site at Andover.NH.us.

and recommendation by those bodies, where a board or commission or both exist. After the Select Board receives the recommendation of the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission, where a board or commission or both exist, they shall hold two public hearings at least 10 but not more than 14 days apart on the proposed acquisition or sale; provided, however, upon the written petition of 50 registered voters presented to the Select Board, prior to the Select Board's vote, according to the provisions of RSA 39:3, the proposed acquisition or sale shall be inserted as an article in the warrant for the Town Meeting. The Select Board's vote shall take place no sooner than neither 7 days nor later than 14 days after the second public hearing which is held.

- II. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the sale of and the Select Board shall have no authority to sell:
- (a) Town-owned conservation land which is managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission under the provisions of RSA 36-A.
- (b) Any part of a Town Forest established under RSA 31:110 and managed under RSA 31:112.
- (c) Any real estate that has been given, devised, or bequeathed to the Town for charitable or community purposes except as provided in RSA 498:4-a or RSA 547-D-d.

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the revised Noise Ordinance.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund for general cemetery maintenance and cemetery improvements under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a; the income and principal in said fund to be totally expendable at the discretion of the Cemetery Trustees for all legal cemetery purposes, and to direct that all income from the sale of cemetery lots in Andover be deposited in said fund.

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the town adopt the "all veterans property tax credit" under RSA 72:28-b? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or was an officer honorably separated from service, and (2) is not eligible for and not receiving the credit for veterans who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict or for veterans with a service-connected disability.

If adopted, the credit will be in the amount of \$500, which is the same amount as the credit for a veteran who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict. If the credit is adopted, any person desiring to claim the credit will be required to file an application with the Select Board or the assessors by April 15 of the tax year.

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 41:11-a to authorize the Select Board to lease townowned property located at 640 Main Street, Andover, NH (also shown on the Town of Andover Tax Maps as Map 28, Lot 90-242), for longer than one year, with an initial term for five years plus four five-year extensions, to Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems of Allentown, Inc., d/b/a Verizon Wireless and to further authorize the construction and installation of a new personal wireless service facility ("PWSF") on the property, subject to obtaining all necessary approvals and subject to such other business terms determined by the Select Board to be in the best interests of the Town, including but not limited to an annual rental of market value with market rental escalators and adjustments and subject to the taxation authority of the Town for non-governmental use of governmental land and to authorize the Select Board and/or Town Administrator, as duly authorized by the Select Board, to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

The Select Board recommends this article.

**ARTICLE 20:** (By petition) To raise and appropriate \$150,000 for a Town backhoe/loader and accessories.

**ARTICLE 21:** (By petition) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to extend road off of Monticello Road Class V rating, east no farther than required by zoning to allow a home to be built on Lot 018-410-483. All improvements would be to Town standards, but all costs would be paid without use of any Town funds.

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 321:45, to discontinue the public right-of-way previously given the State of New Hampshire and turned over to the Town when Route 11, shown on Project #13349, was completed in 2009. This right-of-way crosses the property owned by Karen Forsberg near Lake View Cemetery.

**ARTICLE 23:** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ANDOVER ZONING ORDINANCE

By law, this proposed amendment must be voted on by ballot during polling hours, **not** during Town Meeting.

# ARTICLE XV ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

## A. Purpose

Pursuant to RSA 674:71-73, the purpose of this article is to allow Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in appropriate zoning districts in order to:

- 1. Increase the supply of affordable housing without the need for more infrastructure or further land development
- 2. Provide the opportunity for small rental housing units to meet the housing needs of single persons and couples, recent college graduates, aging homeowners, caregivers and disabled persons
- 3. Improve the inventory of affordable housing
- 4. Allow the efficient use of the Town's existing stock of dwellings and accessory buildings
- 5. Provide elderly citizens with the opportunity to live in a supportive family environment with both independence and dignity; and
- 6. Protect and preserve the rural one-family residential character of the Town.

### **B.** Definition

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is a dwelling unit that is accessory to a single-family dwelling, and that provides independent living facilities for one or more persons, including provisions for sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation, on the same parcel of land as the single-family dwelling it accompanies.

### C. Provisions

1. Only one (1) ADU shall be per-

mitted for each single-family dwelling.

- 2. An ADU shall not be permitted on lots with more than one existing dwelling unit.
- 3. The ADU shall provide independent facilities for sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.
- 4. Unless a Special Exception is granted by the Board of Adjustment, the ADU shall be attached to or within the single-family dwelling. An attached ADU shall share a common wall and connecting door between the single-family dwelling and the ADU.
- 5. The ADU shall have an independent means of ingress and egress, or shall have ingress and egress through common space such as a shared hallway to an exterior door.
- 6. The entrance to the ADU shall be from the side or rear of the building unless it is from the inside of the main entrance. A Special Exception for a second front entrance for handicapped access may be granted by the Board of Adjustment if no other option is available for handicapped access.
- 7. Except in the Forest and Agriculture (FA) District, the Board of Adjustment may grant a Special Exception for a detached ADU. Any such detached ADU shall comply in all other respects with the purposes and requirements of this Article. No new structure shall be built for the principal purpose of constructing a detached ADU.
- 8. Either the ADU or the single-family dwelling shall be the primary residence of the property owner.
- 9. The ADU and the single-family dwelling shall permanently remain under common ownership.

- 10. The size of the ADU (in square footage measured from the outside) shall be restricted as follows:
- a. The size of an attached ADU shall not exceed the lesser of fifty percent (50%) of the size of the single-family dwelling or one thousand (1000) square feet.
- b. The size of a detached ADU shall not exceed the lesser of fifty percent (50%) of the size of the smaller of the lot's single-family dwelling or of the detached building in which the ADU is to be located, or one thousand (1000) square feet.
- c. Notwithstanding the limitations set out in the subparagraphs (a) and (b) above, no ADU is required to have, but may have, a size less than seven hundred fifty (750) square feet.
- 11. There shall be no more than two bedrooms in an ADU.
- 12. An ADU shall be provided with at least one (1) off-street parking space of not less than two hundred (200) square feet on the lot on which it is located.
- 13. The external appearance of the single-family dwelling and ADU, and of any detached building in which an ADU is permitted, shall be consistent with the rural one-family residential character of the neighborhood and the Town.
- 14. There shall be adequate water supply and sewage disposal for the ADU together with the single-family dwelling in compliance with RSA 485-A:38 and regulations adopted by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services.
- 15. A Building Permit and a Certificate of Completion are required in accordance with Article VII. No

ADU shall be occupied without a Certificate of Completion.

# D. Minimum Lot Dimension and Similar Requirements

- 1. All provisions of this Zoning Ordinance applicable to a singlefamily dwelling shall also apply to the combination of a single-family dwelling and an ADU.
  - 2. A single-family dwelling with
- an attached ADU shall not be required to meet additional requirements for lot area, frontage, space limitations, or other controls beyond what would be required for a single-family dwelling without an ADU.
- 3. In the case of a single family dwelling with a detached ADU, the Board of Adjustment may require a minimum lot size, minimum frontage, space limitations, or other con-
- trols in determining whether or not to grant a Special Exception, or may assign such conditions for approval thereof.
- 4. Without limitation of the foregoing, an ADU and any construction in connection with an ADU shall comply with all structure setback requirements.



The Andover Lions Club stagecoach.

**Photo: Vic Phelps** 

# **TOWN OF ANDOVER BUDGET**

Town Meeting	g votes on the Budget C	ommittee's budget.		
	Approved 2016 Budget	Spent in 2016	Selectmen 2017 Budget	Budgt Comm 2017 Budget
General Government	_			
Executive	\$68,241	\$68,636	\$70,195	\$70,195
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	62,065	58,031	56,465	56,465
Financial Administration	90,890	89,016	90,198	90,198
Revaluation of Property	23,184	23,184	20,984	20,984
Legal Expense	29,200	22,604	24,325	24,325
Personnel Administration	59,889	59,845	64,765	64,765
Planning and Zoning	28,025	15,676	27,025	27,025
General Government Buildings	27,643	17,379	27,718	27,718
Cemeteries	24,969	22,067	20,157	20,157
Insurance	120,066	113,185	119,972	119,972
Information Technology	34,266	34,346	37,082	37,082
Public Safety				
Police	\$189,571	\$181,886	\$198,731	\$198,731
Ambulance	36,750	36,282	36,750	36,750
Building Inspection	2,600	1,433	2,500	2,500
Emergency Management	6,000	1,544	20,937	20,937
Highways and Streets				
Highways and Streets	\$498,677	\$524,359	\$509,357	\$509,357
Street Lighting	4,000	5,611	5,500	5,500
	1,000	0,011	0,000	0,000
Sanitation	<b>#</b> 404 000	<b>#400 F04</b>	<b>#</b> 400.450	<b>6400.450</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	\$191,298	\$193,524	\$198,152	\$198,152
Solid Waste Cleanup	800	470	800	800
Health				
Pest Control	\$500		\$500	\$500
Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	16,770	16,750	16,750	16,750
Welfare	\$18,000	\$18,783	\$19,730	\$19,730
Culture and Recreation				
Parks and Recreation	\$22,500	\$20,806	\$17,000	\$17,000
Library	41,000	40,964	40,325	40,325
Other Culture and Recreation	10,000	7,287	10,000	10,000
Conservation	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	\$5,000			
<b>Total without Warrant Articles</b>	\$1,612,904	\$1,574,668	\$1,636,918	\$1,636,918

	Approved 2016 Budget	Spent in 2016	Selectmen 2017 Budget	Budgt Comm 2017 Budget	Petitioned 5
Warrant Articles			<b>.</b>		3
Capital Reserve Funds					
Bridges	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$115,000	\$115,000	
Lawrence Street Bridge Project					U
Revaluation	10,476	10,476	10,476	10,476	
Highway Equipment	10,000	10,000	15,000	15,000	
Police Cruiser	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	
Transfer Station Equipment	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
Highway Projects	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	
Ambulance	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	
Capital Outlays					
Town Office and Library Roof	25,000	25,000			
Retrofit Fire Truck for H'way Dept	30,000	30,000			
Forestry Truck	15,687	15,687			
Equipment for Forestry Truck	33,160	33,160			
Lake View Cemetery Fence			30,000		
Other					
Morrill Hill Road Bridge Project			620,000	620,000	
Fourth of July Celebration Funding			10,000		
Contingency Fund			10,000	10,000	
HVAC Town Office-Library			15,000	15,000	
Facilitation of Solar PPA			2,000	2,000	
Expendable Trust Funds					
Solar Energy			2,954	2,954	
Lake View Cemetery Fence			15,000	15,000	
Technology	5,000	5,000	6,000	6,000	
Forest Fire Labor	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	
Town Building Maintenance	10,000	10,000	20,000	20,000	
Petitioned Warrant Article					450.000
Backhoe & Accessories					150,000
Total Warrant Articles	\$386,823	\$386,823	\$1,068,930	\$1,028,930	\$150,000
Total Budget					
with Warrant Articles	\$1,999,727	\$1,961,491	\$2,705,848	\$2,665,848	\$2,815,848
Less estimated revenue for 2017 Estimated amount to be raised by 201	7 taxes		1,385,445 <b>\$1,320,403</b>	1,385,445 <b>\$1,280,403</b>	1,385,445 <b>\$1,430,403</b>

# **SOURCES OF REVENUE**

	2016 Actual	Selectmen 2017 Estimate	Budgt Comm 2017 Estimate
Taxes Land Use Change Tax - General Fund Yield Tax Excavation Tax	\$5,000 20,000 200	\$6,000 15,000	\$6,000 15,000
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	50,000	36,000	36,000
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Building Permits Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	\$385,000 4,000 9,430	\$380,000 4,200 10,120	\$380,000 4,200 10,120
State Sources Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	\$113,000 90,000 125	\$110,000 90,000 125	\$110,000 90,000 125
Charges for Services Income from Departments	\$125,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Sale of Municipal Property Interest on Investments	1,500	2,000	2,000
Other	35,000	35,000	35,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In From Capital Reserve Funds	\$250,000	\$191,888	\$191,888
Other Financing Sources Amount Voted from Fund Balance Total Estimated Revenues and Credits	179,888 <b>\$1,268,143</b>	455,112 <b>\$1,385,445</b>	455,112 <b>\$1,385,445</b>



Pony pulling contest in 1985.

Photo: C. Wein

# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Year Ended December 31, 2016** 

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2016	\$2,018,789
Received During Year	
Tax Collector	\$5,359,813
Town Clerk	626,820
Selectmen	648,086
Interest on Accounts	2,565
Total Receipts	\$8,656,073
less Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$6,388,739
less Transfer from Motor Vehicle	173,258
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2016	\$2,094,076

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2016	Blackwater Park \$8,492	Cilleyville Bog Bridge \$1,026	Conservation Fund \$37,424
Interest Added	6	3	119
Contributions			6,160
Expenditures	8,498		5,000
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2016	\$0	\$1,029	\$38,703

# **REVOLVING FUNDS REPORT**

**Year Ended December 31, 2016** 

	Police Detail	EMS	Recreation
Balance as of January 1, 2016	\$27,867	\$24,580	\$14,891
Received during 2016	6,044	8,770	10,133
Expended during 2016	15,492		
Balance as of December 31, 2016	\$18,419	\$33,350	\$25,024

# TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS REPORT

**Year Ended December 31, 2016** 

	Principal & Interest 1/1/2016	Additions	Interest	Withdrawals	Market Value Change	Principal & Interest 12/31/2016
Capital Reserve Funds					3111119	
Town Road Equipment	\$98,395	\$10,000	\$247			\$108,642
Town Police Cruiser	9,794	7,500	31			17,325
Town Transfer Station	32,004	10,000	85	2,950		39,139
Town Bridge Rehabiliation	229,889	50,000	197	179,888		100,198
Town Revaluation	23,528	10,476	66			34,070
Village District Repairs	57,522	5,000	139			62,661
EAFD New Truck		25,000	1			25,001
EAFD Equipment	4,474	0= 000	11			4,485
Ambulance	100,147	25,000	265	400.000		125,412
Highway Special Projects	10	150,000	86	122,860		27,236
Cemeteries	200 000		400			200 405
Lawrence St Bridge Project	200,002	170 000	483			200,485 179,892
Morrill Hill Road Bridge  Total	\$755,765	179,888 <b>\$472,864</b>	4 \$1,613	\$305,698	\$0	\$ <b>924,544</b>
Total	\$155,165	<b>7412,004</b>	\$1,013	<b>\$303,090</b>	ψU	<b>\$924,344</b>
Other Trusts						
AFD Expendable Trusts	\$11,153		\$27			\$11,180
Fourth of July	17,206	17,327	34	17,784		16,783
Forest Fire Emergency Labor	6,005	5,000	19	,		11,024
Town Building Maintenance	16,010	10,000	46	4,448		21,608
Technology Exp Trust	1,769	5,000	1			6,770
Total	\$52,143	\$37,327	\$127	\$22,232	\$0	\$67,365
Andover Libraries Trusts	040.040		<b>#</b> 00			<b>040.070</b>
Andover Libraries Exp Trust	\$12,346		\$30			\$12,376
Andover Libraries Trust	2,455	¢ο	6	¢0	¢0	2,461
Total	\$14,801	\$0	\$36	\$0	\$0	\$14,837
School District Funds						
Van't Hoff Art & Music	\$12,297	\$100	\$30			\$12,427
Village Park Maint. Trust	2,654		6	135		2,525
Special Ed Trust	90,277	10,000	218			100,495
Building Maintenance	13,033	05.000	31			13,064
High School Tuition	51,390	25,000	124	£425	<b>¢</b> 0	76,514
Total	\$169,651	\$35,100	\$409	\$135	\$0	\$205,025
Cemetery						
Cy Pres	\$4,515		\$11			\$4,526
Old Center	190		0			190
Perpetual Care	30,898		75		F0F	30,973
John Proctor Trust	6,583		302		525	7,409
Individual Trusts	57,456		139			57,595 11,060
Maintenance	11,042	¢Λ	27 \$552	¢Λ	¢ESE	11,069 \$111,761
Total	\$110,684	\$0	\$553	\$0	\$525	\$111,761
Total All Trust Funds	\$1,103,044	\$545,291	\$2,738	\$328,065	\$525	\$1,323,532
	Andove	r Town Repo	ort – 201	L6		

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# **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT Year Ended December 31, 2016**

Motor Vehicle Registrations \$447,265 Dog Licenses 3,816 Town Clerk Services 4,241 1,267 **Boats** Total \$456,589

172,794 Motor Vehicle Fees Transferred to DMV **Total Receipts Remitted To Treasurer** \$629,383

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## **Year Ended December 31, 2016**

	2016		<b>Prior Levies</b>	
Debits	Taxes	2015	2014	2013
Uncollected at the beginning of the year				
Property taxes		\$255,935		\$1,742
Land Use Change Tax		8,450		130
Yield taxes		2,558		
Gravel Taxes				
Property Tax Cr Bal	-4,906			
Taxes Committed This Year				
Property Taxes	5,412,129			
Land Use Change Taxes	9,950			
Yield Taxes	6,056			
Excavation Taxes	162			
Overpayment Refunds	1,347			
Property Taxes				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	2,927			
Total Debits	\$5,427,665	\$266,943	\$0	\$1,872
Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer				
Property Taxes	\$5,114,504	\$159,657		
Land Use Change Taxes	, , ,	8,419		
Yield Taxes	5,583	903		
Interest (plus lien conversion)	2,897	11,714		
Penalties	30	2,456		
Excavation Tax	162	•		
Conversion to lien (principal only)		97,913		
Abatements Made		•		
Property Taxes				
Uncollected Taxes end of year				
Property Taxes	301,271			1,742
Land Use Change Tax	9,950			130
Yield Taxes	472			
Excavation Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	-7,204			
Total Credits	\$5,427,665	\$281,062	\$0	\$1,872
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## **SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS**

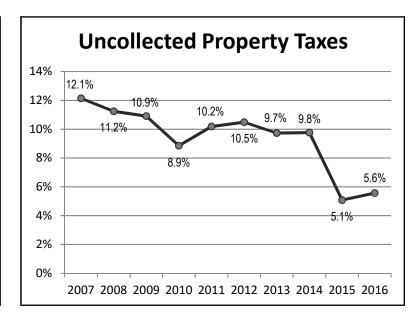
**Year Ended December 31, 2016** 

	2015	2014	Prior to 2013
Debits			
Unredeemed Taxes on January 1, 2016		\$58,173	\$62,387
Liens Executed During 2015	105,336		
Interest Collected After Tax Liens	2,649	4,066	19,474
Total Debits	\$107,985	\$62,239	\$81,861
Credits			
Redemptions	\$46,728	\$17,587	\$49,017
Interest & Costs After Tax Liens	2,649	4,066	19,474
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	7	46	
Liens Deeded to the Town		1,220	
Unredeemed Taxes as of December 31, 2016	59,051	40,538	12,149
Total Credits	\$108,435	\$63,457	\$80,640

## **UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES**

On December 31 of Each Year

501,659 510,735	10.2% 10.5%
510,735	10.5%
489,958 502,205 255,935	9.7% 9.8% 5.1% 5.6%
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## **PROPERTY TAX RATES**

for 2016

- For properties in the Andover Fire District: \$21.94 per \$1,000 of assessed value
- For properties in the East Andover Fire Precinct: \$21.63 per \$1,000 of assessed value

# **SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**

Furnishings & Equipment		Approximate Cost
Equipment		\$62,000
Police - cruisers		42,000
Highway - road grader		200,000
Highway - tools & equipment		3,000
Transfer Station - trash compactor		30,000
Transfer Station - recycling compactor		20,000
Transfer Station - golf cart		3,500
Cemeteries - tools & equipment		1,000
Town Office - furnishings & equipment		100,000
Library - books & furnishings		100,000
Total Furnishings & Equipment		\$561,500
Town Real Estate		<b>Assessed Value</b>
Beach land & bath house	10-010-563	\$482,900
Blackwater Park Land & Bldgs.	19-600-100	166,900
Transfer Station land & buildings	28-090-242	178,600
Police Department building	19-655-227A	66,700
Town Office building	19-570-102	446,700
Island on Highland Lake	17-082-177	190,900
Proctor Cemetery land	19-874-280	117,400
Old Center Cemetery land	20-060-376	107,300
Lakeside/Lakeview Cemetery land	10-040-463	117,000
Old dump site land off of Monticello Drive	18-526-032	47,600
Village Green on Main Street	19-703-292	71,900
Land off south side of Currier Road	10-860-038	300
Land between Channel Road and Highland Lake	16-784-131A	37,100
Land at the corner of Switch Road and Blueberry Lane	11-423-047	8,600
Land between West Shore Drive & RR	10-375-458	8,200
Land between Depot Street and railroad bed	21-669-586	5,000
Land on north side of Rt. 11 near Monticello Dr.	11490-477	28,800
Land between Route 11 and railroad east of Dyers Crossing	15-582-198	6,500
Total Town Real Estate		\$2,088,400
Property Acquired by Tax Collector's Deed	00.407.004	Assessed Value
Land on Bradley Lake	06-427-324	\$88,700
Land on Bradley Lake on Bradley Point Lane	13-280-107	138,300
Land on Flaghole Road	10-060-031	6,900
Land on south side of Main Street	20-268-419	31,400
Land between Route 11 & railroad	15-467-074	10,600
Land across Route 11 from Dodge Lane	16-619-166	39,800
Land on north side of Route 11 near Monticello Drive	10-375-458	8,200
Land below Highland Lake Dam	16-758-221	700
Land between Route 11 and Cilleyville Road	21-669-586	5,000
Land between Route 4 and railroad bed	27-858-197	4,900
Land north of Route 11 near Agony Hill Road	10-463-444	6,500
Land between Second Street and Highland Lake	16-802-196	36,500
Oak Hill Road sandpit	12-007-358	63,500
Land at 76 Bridge Road  Total Property Acquired by Tax Collector's Deed	20-320-363	76,600 <b>\$517,600</b>
		•
Total Town Property		\$3,167,500

# **PROPERTY INVENTORY SUMMARY**

	2015	2016
Land	\$94,114,415	\$94,349,666
Buildings	126,293,800	127,265,200
Manufactured Housing	4,185,400	4,200,300
Commercial/Industrial	15,440,900	15,666,200
Public Utilities	12,342,300	12,342,300
Total Valuation	\$252,376,815	\$253,823,666
less School Exemptions	\$150,000	\$150,000
less Exemption for Blind, Elderly and Disabled	730,000	700,000
Net Valuation (to compute tax rate)	\$251,496,815	\$252,973,666
less Public Utilities	12,342,300	12,342,300
Total Valuation (to compute State Education Tax)	\$239,154,515	\$240,631,366

# **PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT**

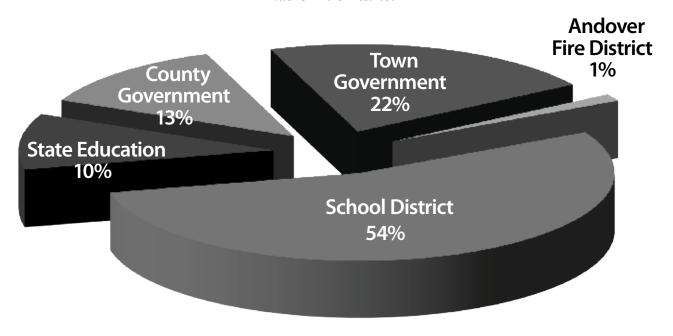
Town, School, County, and Precinct Net Taxes	2015	2016
Town	\$1,021,829	\$1,167,133
School District (Town Share)	2,671,796	2,936,051
State Education	567,726	559,479
County	709,154	686,800
Total Taxes for Town, School, and County	\$4,970,505	\$5,349,463
Andover Fire District No. 1	67,146	70,639
East Andover Fire Precinct	56,314	55,164
Total to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$5,093,965	\$5,475,266
less War Service Credits	-58,100	-54,800
Net Property Tax Commitment	\$5,035,865	\$5,420,466

# STATEMENT OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

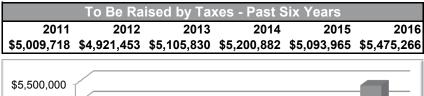
As of December 31, 2016, the Town of Andover had no outstanding debt.

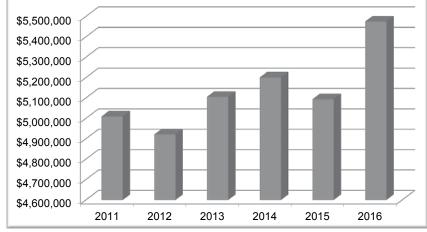
## WHERE DO YOUR PROPERTY TAXES GO?

Andover Fire District



## **PROPERTY TAX BURDEN**





The scale on this graph is offset (doesn't begin at \$0) in order to highlight the small year-to-year differences. Statistically, the five-year trend is close to flat.

To Be Raised by Taxes - 2016								
Department	2015	2016	Change	%				
School	\$3,239,522	\$3,495,530	\$256,008	7.9%				
Town	\$1,021,829	\$1,167,133	\$145,304	14.2%				
Fire Departments	\$123,460	\$125,803	\$2,343	1.9%				
County	\$709,154	\$686,800	-\$22,354	-3.2%				
TOTAL	\$5,093,965	\$5,475,266	\$381,301	7.5%				

## NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

New Hampshire RSA 32:5 VII requires that this form appear in the Town Report every year. The information contained herein is the best that was available at press time.

			Approp	riations				
			Дрргор	Hallons	Selectmen's	Selectmen's	Committee's	Committee's
Account Code	Description	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
General Gove	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	,		
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	02	\$68,241	\$0	\$70,195	\$0	\$70,195	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	02	\$62,065	\$0	\$56,465	\$0	\$56,465	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	02	\$90,890	\$0	\$90,198	\$0	\$90,198	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	02	\$23,184	\$0	\$20,984	\$0	\$20,984	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	02	\$29,200	\$0	\$24,325	\$0	\$24,325	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	02	\$59,889	\$0	\$64,765	\$0	\$64,765	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	02	\$28,025	\$0	\$27,025	\$0	\$27,025	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	02	\$52,643	\$0	\$27,718	\$0	\$27,718	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	02	\$24,969	\$0	\$20,157	\$0	\$20,157	\$0
4196	Insurance	02	\$120,066	\$0	\$119,972	\$0	\$119,972	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government	02	\$34,266	\$0	\$37,082	\$0	\$37,082	\$0
Public Safety								
4210-4214	Police	02	\$189,571	\$0	\$198,731	\$0	\$198,731	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	02	\$36,750	\$0	\$36,750	\$0	\$36,750	\$0
4220-4229	Fire		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	02	\$2,600	\$0	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	02	\$6,000	\$0	\$20,937	\$0	\$20,937	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Avia	tion Center							
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways an	nd Streets				·	·		
4311	Administration	T	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	02	\$498,677	\$0	\$509,357	\$0	\$509,357	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	02	\$4,000	\$0	\$5,500	\$0	\$5,500	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation					·	·		
4321	Administration	T	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$(					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	02	\$192,098			\$0	\$198,152	
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	02	\$(					
4326-4329	Sewage Collection, Disposal and Other		\$(					
Water Distril	bution and Treatment							
4331	Administration	T	\$(	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$(	\$
4332	Water Services		\$(	· ·				
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation and Other		\$(	· ·			· ·	
Electric			***	**	**	1	***	· · ·
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$(	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$(	\$
4353	Purchase Costs		\$(					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$(					
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$(					
Health				1 40	1	1	1	·
<b>Health</b>	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$(	\$
4414	Pest Control	02	\$500					·
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	02	\$16,770					
		02	\$10,770	1 ***	\$10,75C	1 **	1 \$10,750	1
<b>Welfare</b> 4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance		\$(	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$(	\$
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$(					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	02	\$18,000					
	<u> </u>	02	\$18,000	\$0	\$19,/30	\$0	\$19,730	\$
Culture and			1 +22.50	مار ±۰	447.000	J +-	1 447.00	J
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	02	\$22,500					I .
4550-4559	Library	02	\$41,000					
4583	Patriotic Purposes		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	02	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$

Conservatio	n and Development							
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	02	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service	1							
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outle	ау							
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$78,847	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating To	ransfers Out							
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Propos	sed Appropriations		\$1,716,751	\$0	\$1,636,918	\$0	\$1,636,918	\$0

Special Warrant Articles										
Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Selectmen's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Selectmen's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)		
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
4153	Legal Expense	12	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0		
	Purpose	: Raise and appr	opriate \$2,000 for faci	ilitating a Po			•			
4313	Bridges	14	\$0	\$0	\$620,000	\$0	\$620,000	\$0		
	Purpose: Tor raise and appropriate \$620,000 for replacement									
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	09	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$0		
	Purpose: To raise and appropriate \$15,000 for HVAC									
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	03	\$0	\$0	\$338,976	\$0	\$338,976	\$0		
	Purpose	: Add to Revalua	ation CRF							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	06	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$0		
	Purpose	: To establish a	Lakeview Cemetery F	encing CRF						
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	04	\$0	\$0	\$31,000	\$0	\$31,000	\$0		
	Purpose: To add \$5,000 to the Forest Fire Labor ETF									
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	07	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000		
	Purpose: To establish and fund a 4th of July Celebration ET									
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	13	\$0	\$0	\$2,954	\$0	\$2,954	\$0		
	Purpose	: To establish ar	Expendable Trust Fur	nd, name agents						
Special Artic	cles Recommended		\$0	\$0	\$1,034,930	\$0	\$1,024,930	\$10,000		

Individual Warrant Articles								
Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Selectmen's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Selectmen's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4199	Other General Government	08	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose:	To establish a	Contingency Fund					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	5	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$30,000
Purpose: To purchase fence at Lakeview Cemetery in 2017								
Individual A	rticles Recommended		\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$30,000

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			Revenues		
Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	02	\$0	\$6,000	\$6,000
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	02	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	02	\$0	\$36,000	\$36,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Po	ermits, and Fees				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	02	\$0	\$120	\$120
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	02	\$0	\$380,000	\$380,000
3230	Building Permits	02	\$0	\$4,200	\$4,200
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	02	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Source	ces				
3351	Shared Revenues	T	\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	02	\$0	\$110,000	\$110,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	02	\$0	\$90,000	\$90,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	02	\$0	\$125	\$125
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for					1.5
3401-3406	Income from Departments	02	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellanec	ous Revenues			·	
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	T	\$0	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	02	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000
3503-3509	Other	02	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000
	Operating Transfers In	-		1,	1.57.55
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
39140	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	14	\$0	\$179,888	\$179,888
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	09, 12	\$0	\$12,000	\$12,000
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
	ncing Sources				
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	T	\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	09, 08, 14	\$0	\$455,112	\$455,112
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
	ated Revenues and Credits		\$0	\$1,385,445	\$1,385,445
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Budget Summary						
Item	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Selectmen's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget			
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$1,612,904	\$1,636,918	\$1,636,918			
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$487,864	\$1,034,930	\$1,024,930			
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$10,000			
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$2,130,768	\$2,711,848	\$2,671,848			
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,268,143	\$1,385,445	\$1,385,445			
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$862,625	\$1,326,403	\$1,286,403			

## SELECT BOARD

The Select Board (which officially changed its name from Board of Selectmen this year) would like to open with a huge "Thank you and well done!" to all those individuals who volunteered time and effort during 2016 to make Andover the kind of town we all want to be a part of. From the various committee and board members to those who pick up roadside trash while out walking their dogs, every little extra effort adds to the fabric of our community.

A special thanks to Charlie Darling, now retired as editor of The Andover Beacon; his efforts on behalf of Andover are iconic. Luckily, Charlie will remain with the Beacon and with Andover as a "special contributor." He is indeed a special contributor and one we have been lucky to have.

Two thousand sixteen has been a very interesting and busy year, on a number of levels. Andover continues to move forward in a manner we should all be proud of. That is not to say there were not issues that caused concern, nor have we accomplished 100% of every goal set out. The job of running Andover properly is never complete, and many issues are on-going works in progress, which can be frustrating. However, the key word is "progress."

## **Bridges**

Bridges remain a priority. Projects such as the bridges on Sam Hill Road and Kearsarge Mountain Road are complete, with Maple Street and Morrill Hill Road next.

The removal of the Gale Street bridge has become a priority for 2017, since we can no longer overlook the potential hazard to the river and the penalties involved; \$65,000 has been added to the budget for this project.

The Lawrence Street bridge remains a sizable undertaking, but while we wait for federal funds to become available in 2022, we have taken several steps to address the project. An onsite inspection of the bridge will be done every 90 days and reports issued. Should the bridge deteriorate beyond its current condition, we will adjust load limits and traffic flow to extend the life of the bridge. An emergency plan is being created with the input of a number of expert sources recommended to us. Being prepared is the key, if it is ever needed, and should not be viewed as a panic concern.

Cemeteries, Chaffee Park, general road repairs, plowing/sanding, and larger projects such as the re-do of Morrill Hill Road bridge remain on the schedule for 2017. Additionally, our Town crew has taken on the full maintenance of Howard George Field starting with 2017 spring cleanup, turf management, and mowing to full fall clean-up, per request.

In conjunction with the Town's elected Road Agent, there is general agreement that the two-man Town crew has done a good and cost-effective job of getting Town properties

back up to par. We now have a schedule of regular maintenance to sustain a high standard of appearance and avoid costly upgrades.

## **Technology**

Town Office Technology and Information Systems is not a glamorous topic. However, it represents a critical part of efficiency, cost reduction, and recordkeeping in today's world. Every Town office, board, vendor, plus the State and Federal offices we depend on require a level of technological support that is critical to success. The proper equipment and services will never be complete nor the skill level of the people that use them.

For good or bad, 3"x5" cards are gone, replaced by technology never envisioned and processes never imagined. Slowly, the Town staff has been reviewing old paper files, information systems, and mountains of documents, transforming them into usable, secure processes and applications that we can quickly locate for reference. Not glamorous, but mighty important when you go to get a record or document you need from Town Hall.

Again, the Select Board thanks

## **TOWN SIGN BOARD**

If your organization has a message that you would like to have on the Town Sign Board on the front lawn of the Town Hall, please contact Vicky Mishcon at 735-6402. You can also contact the Town Office at 735-5332 with your message, which will be relayed to Vicky. Please leave your name and phone number with your message.

Please note that there are times in the winter months when the sign is frozen or plowed in and therefore inaccessible. Also, we do not accept political or religious notices.

A big "Thank you!" to the Andover Lions Club, especially George Kidder, for providing the sign and putting up the messages for so many years. Message duty has been handed over to the Andover Community Association, with Vicky Mishcon as the contact person.

the efforts of our Town staff and the volunteers who have rolled up their sleeves to help.

## **Space**

Space has become an issue for Town Offices and the Police Department. Yes, we know the frustrations, but that does not make the space requirements mandated by State and Federal law and reality go away. Not to mention the well-being of Town staff and those coming in and out.

We have some ideas and started to seek more input. Remember, this is long-term, but we must start with a plan and a proper budget process, taking one step at a time.

The beginning for Town Hall is the four-stage energy plan, starting with the roof to the cellar, better utilization of current space, and repair and buttoning-up the cellar and walls. We currently have more heat going out and less air conditioning staying in and enough moisture to ruin walls, ceilings, records, carpets, and more.

The Andover Energy Group can address the specifics, and we will be working with the Capital Improvement Planning Committee. Again, make no mistake, we face needed, not frivolous, space expansion and improved conditions.

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Committee remains that behind-the-scenes, steady "point man" to Andover's future. This group steps away from the everyday issues and focuses on long-term Town projects. Not an easy task to project the future; however this team provides a roadmap to issues that will need to be addressed years from now.

Adjustments, priority changes, and of course budgets are part of the mix, so without a crystal ball, the CIP Committee must work in an atmosphere of vision, common sense, and research. To date, this team has created a CIP format to be used going forward. The format has a flexibility, simplicity, and long-term focus which can be used for years to come. It was not an easy exercise, and one this committee should be roundly applauded for.

## **Savings from Town Crew**

Our full-time two-man Town road crew has been a topic of much conversation, good and bad. The reality is that these two individuals work on projects big and small, either eliminating or greatly reducing costs to the Town.

From cemeteries and lawn maintenance to road and bridge work, these individuals respond to resident, Town building, Road Agent, and various committee requests, and, when necessary, to Transfer Station needs. Their compensation (\$65,000 combined gross salary and \$21,957 in combined gross benefits) is spread over a number of budget categories, reflecting their flexibility and multitasking job requirements.

When you add up all the numbers and compare them to what outside costs would be for the same work, they have saved the town tens of thousands of dollars over and above their compensation. Projects such as the Kearsarge Mountain Road bridge, the clean-out of the Town Hall cellar to add usable space, the quick removal of fallen trees from storm damage, and numerous other "little" projects, it all adds up to savings to the bottom line.

## **Transfer Station**

The Transfer Station, another perennial area of conversation, has made several adjustments to accommodate the more than 33,000 loads (30 loads per hour, averaged) we received in 2016. Creating a Commer-

cial Friday afternoon, which takes the pressure off normal residential waste on Wednesday and Saturday, is just one example. It also allows for facilities maintenance, clean-up, and other projects to be done, avoiding last minute and costly efforts by creating time to institute reasonable scheduling of needed work. Also, the added afternoon allows for the use, when needed, of our Town crew under normal working hours.

Verizon wishes to lease a small piece of the Transfer Station land to build a communications tower. The spot selected will not affect normal Transfer Station uses, nor environmental encroachment, and it represents a nice negotiated annual fee (\$25,000 anticipated) for the Town to utilize. As an upcoming warrant article, voters must authorize the Select Board to move forward with this opportunity, subject to appropriate approvals from the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and Conservation Commission.

The Select Board has also been approached to discuss a suggestion for a localized co-op Transfer Station. This exploratory discussion is designed to examine cost reductions and efficiencies by partnering with other municipalities. It is far from a done deal; however, if we simply find ways to better run our Transfer Station, the time is well spent.

These are just a few of the items we have worked on and will continue to work on. The intent of this Select Board is to examine cost effective and common sense actions to keep the town moving forward. As we mentioned earlier, it is not glamorous, but with steady planning and a touch of vision, we are trying to avoid surprises and unnecessary expense.

The Select Board roster appears on page 4.

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

The Town has moved forward on several projects in 2016 and is looking forward to accomplishing more in 2017. I won't go into detail, since this information can be found elsewhere in the Town Report.

As I think about our community, I am reminded of all the things that make it the place we wish to call home. We are very fortunate to have lakes, hiking trails, picnic spots, cross-country ski trails, and the Northern Rail Trail at our disposal. We have our renowned Fourth of July Celebration, the Andover Com-

munity Association, and service organizations that are always ready to help those in need.

It is my hope that the citizens of Andover continue to support the work of their Town officials, volunteer committee members, neighbors, and Town employees who do their best to make Andover the special place that it is. The deterioration of civil discourse that is evident whenever one turns on the television has thankfully not come to Andover, and I hope it never does. Andover public meetings are forums where people

conduct themselves in a civil and respectful manner, understanding that reasonable people can disagree and that working together is in the best interest of everyone.

I am always happy to speak with citizens, so feel free to call me, stop by the office, or e-mail me with questions or concerns. Please make it a habit to look at the Town Web site at Andover-NH.gov on a regular basis for information on meetings and special events.

Marjorie M. Roy Town Administrator



The Town Office roster appears on page 4.

## TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR

We have had another interesting and challenging year in this department. The most overwhelming challenge of the year was to organize and prepare for four elections—the Federal Primary, the local election and Town Meeting, the State Primary, and the General Election.

I want to thank all of you who helped make it happen. We had nearly 30 local residents help count 1,463 ballots on the night of the General Election. Over 150 new voters registered to vote that day.

Revenue in the Town Clerk's office keeps climbing every year. Last year, motor vehicle registrations brought in \$401,456, and this year we did \$447,256 worth of registrations, which is an increase of \$45,809. This year we registered 76 boats, sold 17 marriage licenses, and licensed 535 dogs.

This was the first year that we issued dog licenses at the rabies clinic held at the Andover Fish and Game Club on Channel Road in East Andover. Many people found it a great convenience to have us there when their dogs got their shots. Because our presence was so well received, we will plan to be there again in 2017.

We had one hitch in our tax billing this year. This fall, as we were about to print the year's second round of tax bills, our printer decided to stop working. It was a quick scramble to find a printing company that was set up to print tax bills using Avitar's format.

After talking with other communities, I found that many were using Mailings Unlimited from Portland, Maine. They were great to work with and got us taken care of within a week.

Their price is very comparable to what it costs us to do the printing and mailing ourselves, so we will be using them again in the future.

The tax rate for the second half of the year was \$21.94 for Andover residents and \$21.63 for East Andover residents.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector roster appears on page 4.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Andover's 1991 Town Meeting, a warrant article was approved to adopt a capital improvement plan under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 674:5 to "...look at the Town's long-term needs and to schedule spending on those long-term needs in a way that enables more intelligent planning."

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Cost Analysis Report was prepared by the CIP Committee and delivered to the Andover Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee in October 2016. A public hearing was held in November. The report addresses the capital improvements needed by each Town department, provides an analysis of different funding options, and makes recommendations based on cost considerations. The report contains recommendations for 2017 and a more detailed breakdown by department.

Projects and capital items were considered by the Committee if the project or item exceeds a total cost of \$10,000 and has a life expectancy of at least five years, with the goal of looking 10 years into the future.



Two young colonials ... Betsy Ross and George Washington?

The capital improvements required by each department require different funding strategies for several reasons:

- · Purchasing options vary
- Existing capital reserves
- Age, condition, and life expectancy of equipment, roads, and buildings
- · Availability of grants

In general, the most cost-effective approach for funding capital improvements is through accumulating capital reserve so that money is available for improvements when they are needed. Using capital reserves accomplishes the following:

- Limits or does away with interest charges and fees
- Places the Town in a better bargaining position
- Allows departments to make purchases at the optimal time
- Places the Town in a better position for state and federal matching grants
- Reduces yearly payments and long-term debt
- Helps reduce and stabilize the tax rate over time
- Lessens the financial impact of emergencies

The state of New Hampshire recommends the plan be revised every one to two years in order to keep the plan relevant to the changing needs of communities.

Items covered in this year's CIP include:

- Fire Dept vehicle replacement
- Police Dept vehicle replacement
- Road maintenance expenses
- Grader replacement
- Town Hall heating/ventilating improvements
- Town Office computer server
- Andover EMS ambulance replacement
- AE/MS facility upgrade bond analysis

The current Capital Improvement Plan can be viewed on Andover's Web site at Andover.NH.us, or a printed copy can be picked up at the Town Hall.

The Committee would like to thank all those who cooperated during the planning cycle by providing the vital information needed to complete the process.

The Capital Improvement Planning Committee roster appears on page 4.

## **CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

Much was accomplished in 2016 to improve and maintain Andover's cemeteries. The water line was extended in Proctor Cemetery to better serve the graves in the rear section. The iron fence along the roadway at the Church Cemetery in East Andover was repaired and painted, the hemlock hedge at Proctor was trimmed, and all of the fallen and tilted stones in the Old Center Cemetery were set erect.

In addition, an interior roadway at East Andover was improved and fin-

ished with ledge pack.

Unfortunately, there was vandalism in Proctor Cemetery. There are several metal stones there that date from the 19th century. They originally could be purchased from the Sears Roebuck catalog, and family data was specially ordered as panels and attached to the monument. It was one of these panels that was stolen and there was evidence that others had been tampered with. This is permanent damage as the panels are no longer available.

Another case of theft and vandalism was made whole this year, when a custom-made wrought iron gate was installed at the Philbrick Cemetery on Taunton Hill. The original gate was stolen two years ago. Thanks to the Perreault family for their generosity and expertise in crafting a replacement.

Again this year, flags were placed at veterans' graves by the members of American Legion Post 101. Please let a Cemetery Trustee know if your loved one was a veteran.

The Cemetery Trustees roster appears on page 4.



The Andover Boy Scouts' rocket-themed float in 1978.

Photo: C. Wein

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

The Andover Conservation Commission (CC) has been busy, especially with the Town-owned property known as the Transfer Station that abuts the prime wetlands of the Bog Pond area. This area is rich in natural resources for biological habitats and floodwater mitigation. Much of the sand and gravel used on our roads comes from this area.

Last winter prior, to the project to mark the wetland boundary, trees were cut, stumps were pushed into the wetlands, and critical snake and turtle habitat was eliminated. In an effort to protect the prime wetland, the CC has proposed developing conservation easements on the Town-owned property, as well as on privately owned parcels, with the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) as the land trust holding the easement.

Priorities for the CC and ASLPT are protecting the natural habitat, wildlife, and the existing snowmobile trail. Residents must approve a warrant article (likely in 2018) before an easement can be placed on Town land. We will keep residents informed as we work with the Planning Board and the Select Board to develop an easement boundary and process.

The CC hired a certified wetlands specialist to provide an impartial opinion of easements, the business district proposed by the Planning Board, and restoration recommendations. In September and December, after several onsite meetings and subsequent discussions, the original wetland boundary in Town property was marked with pink flagging and orange-painted stakes, and a 100-foot buffer was noted. GPS points were plotted on 2011 and 2016 satellite maps documenting changes. More permanent

metal stakes and disks will be placed as our budget allows.

We will work with the Planning Board, the Select Board, and the Road Agent to restore the wetland and buffer to the extent possible and to obtain and implement best practices for excavating gravel located near prime wetlands.

Although the CC, Select Board, and Road Agent tried to convince the New Hampshire DOT to install Beaver Deceivers to permanently remedy flooding along Route 11 by Applecrest Lane, the DOT just replaced the Route 11 culvert with a larger one. Stacy Luke of the Merrimack County Conservation District (MCCD) has been working with the Town to identify and assess problem culverts that may be undersized, impede aquatic organism movement, or pose flood hazards that may qualify for a grant for culvert replacement.

The CC invited Stacy Luke to hold an early May plant sale and take orders for composting bins and rain barrels. Children were given a bulb to give to their mothers for Mother's Day.

For further education, CC members co-sponsored or attended meetings on trails (Proctor, Greenway, Rail Trail, and Class 6 roads), a snowshoe walk to Mud Pond with Dave Pilla, a Northern Pass meeting in Franklin, a workshop on the emerald ash borer and red pine scale that have invaded Andover, vegetation control along the Rail Trail, pollinators, a walk through the ASLPT Old College Road Preserve, and the all-day annual conference held by the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions.

Water quality tested at Bradley and Highland Lakes is good. New signage has been posted at both lakes, and logging activity by Bradley Lake was investigated.

Stewardship monitoring has been done for Town land and areas protected by conservation easements where Andover is the prime easement holder. The chart of conserved lands will be updated in 2017. A donation of 24 acres of land was made by Dale and Connie McLeod to ASLPT. The CC provided funds to ASLPT for the ongoing monitoring and stewardship of this land.

The natural resources inventory appendix of the Planning Board's master plan is now on the Town web site, and hard copies are in each library, including Proctor. Amanda Stone, UNH Cooperative Extension, gave a presentation of New Hampshire's 2015 updated Wildlife Action Plan (WAP) and gave the CC updated Andover maps of wildlife habitat land cover and the highest-ranked wildlife habitat superimposed on the latest available tax parcels. Maps within the WAP document must be updated every five years, and the entire document is updated every 10 years.

The WAP document is available online through the New Hampshire Fish and Game web site at Wildlife. State.NH.us/wildlife/wap.html. Updates include 169 additional species of greatest conservation concern threatened by pollution, climate change, natural system modifications from development, and invasive and problematic species and diseases.

Wildlife habitat updates are based on biologic factors, undeveloped landscapes and size, human impact, diversity of habitat, rare species and landscapes, and ecologic regions defined by the Nature Conservancy. The natural resources inventory written in 2011 in Andover's master

plan needs updating to reflect these and other changes.

The Lakes Regions Planning Commission scanned numerous maps as a trial project at no cost to the Town and saved them as PDFs so that the Town will have easy access to digital copies. The maps include water resources, tax maps, soils, recreation, land use, zoning, natural and cultural resources, geology, FEMA flood prone areas, enhanced 911 address locations, cemetery plots, base maps, and aerial photography.

The CC is pleased to have Jesse Schust as a new member. He brings youth and enthusiasm to the group. CC members Jerry Hersey, Nan Kaplan, Larry Chase, Tina Cotton, Derek Mansell, Jesse Schust, and Mary Anne Broshek have all contributed to the work of 2016 and are available to answer questions and hear your concerns. Please let any member know if there are specific workshops or events you would like to see in 2017.

The Conservation Commission roster appears on page 4.

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Turphy's Law is an old adage that typically means: Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong. Well, the Town of Andover has been lucky this last year to keep ol' Murphy out of town for a while. However, this doesn't mean that emergency responders and Town officials aren't planning for Murphy!

In all seriousness, this year was relatively quiet, from the Emergency Management perspective anyway. We did work with Fire, Emergency Medical Service (EMS), Police, and the Fourth of July Committee to develop a formal Incident Action Plan (IAP) for the Fourth of July festivities. This IAP formally documented the goals, objectives and response strategy for emergency

The process of developing the IAP facilitated excellent discus-

situations that may occur over

the holiday.

sion among key players and shared critical information about the status of response assets, as well as expected actions and responsibilities of everyone involved in the planned event. It was excellent planning that will continue to be utilized in the future.

In the past couple of years local responders, Andover Elementary/ Middle School (AE/MS), and Proctor Academy have worked together to develop an Active Shooter Response Plan. This year that plan was finalized and shared with the schools, Fire, EMS, Police, and Dispatch. The schools and local responders have trained and will continue to train and exercise for all types of incidents, including active shooter incidents.

As always, I would like to acknowledge and give thanks to all of our emergency responders who help make our community safe. Emergency responders, AE/MS, and Proctor Academy all continued training this year. These people spend countless hours, on and off the clock, to prepare themselves and their agencies to respond effectively and with expertise.

On behalf of Murphy's Law ... we thank you!

The Emergency Management roster appears on page 4.



Uncle Sam's kids, Cynthia Phelps and Steve Smith, in 1958.

**Photo: Vic Phelps** 

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE**

The Andover Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is a Town department that provides a volunteer service of emergency medical care to all residents of East Andover and Andover. In addition to this care to our immediate community, we provide mutual-aid services to surrounding towns when called upon for assistance, just as they come to our aid when we need them.

In 2016, Andover EMS received 193 calls, a 20% increase from the 160 calls in 2015. Of the 193 calls, 131 were for medical emergencies, 18 for motor vehicle accidents (MVA), 31 for fire/smoke or carbon monoxide medical coverage, and 13 service calls.

From the total call volume, Andover EMS was toned for 12 mutual-aid calls to nearby communities. From the 149 medical and MVA calls, patient transport was not needed for 65 calls (46%); 84 calls (54%) resulted in transports to area hospitals, with 41 (49%) to New London, 34 (40%) to Franklin, 5 (6%) to Concord, 3 (4%) to Dartmouth, and 1 (1%) to Catholic Medical Center in Manchester.

Andover EMS has continuing difficulties recruiting qualified volunteer members – especially those who are able to respond to 911 calls during traditional business hours. Knowing

that Andover EMS was on the precipice of failing to provide timely response to 911 medical calls, we have an ongoing Memorandum of Understanding with Franklin Fire Department (FFD) to provide simultaneous coverage with Andover EMS from 8 AM through 6 PM, Monday through Friday.

Of the total 193 calls in 2016, 43 medical calls were during the times for simultaneous coverage and FFD was needed to provide transport to 37 patients due to lack of responding personnel within Andover EMS.

Andover EMS operates with a paramedic-level transport license issued by New Hampshire Department of Emergency Medical Services. As a result of a warrant article passed in March 2012, our community has chosen to save funds in advance for the eventual need to replace our aging 2003 diesel Ford F-350 Road Rescue ambulance that traditionally has an anticipated "life span" of seven to eight years. Because we're somewhat rural and do not have the call volume of a traditional full-time service, we have been able to stretch the use to 14 years with quality routine maintenance, and we expect to do so for a few more years.

A warrant article at the 2017 Town Meeting will request additional funds be put aside for the estimated \$175,000 replacement cost we will be forced to incur in a few years.

## **Andover EMS Revolving Fund**

A special revolving fund was established to hold "revenues received from donations and memorial contributions." The funds are allowed to accumulate from year to year, and it is the position of the Andover EMS that this reserve fund be used exclusively for unforeseen or non-budgeted expenses so as to avoid the need to seek additional taxpayer funds.

As anticipated, Andover EMS requested and was granted permission from the Andover Select Board to withdraw from this fund the monies needed to replace our cardiac monitor at a cost of \$32,013.60 in 2015.

### **Volunteers**

Chris Young took on the challenge of an intense two- to three-week course for his EMT license with specialty instruction on Wilderness EMS Care and joined the department in December 2016. Diane Miller and Jake Otis also joined the department in December and are hoping to wrap up their Emergency Medical Responder licensing in early 2017.

Sincere gratitude to all in our community who have served and are serving as members of the Andover EMS. The commitment, time, and work they have done and continue to do is much appreciated.

The Emergency Medical Service roster appears on page 5.

# **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE FINANCIAL REPORT**

Expenses*	2016 Budget	2016 Actual	2017 Budget
Training and Licensure	\$3,000	\$3,486	\$3,000
Office Supplies	100	207	100
Billing Expenses (Comstar)	1,800	1,367	1,800
PPE/Clothing	1,500	572	1,300
Medical Supplies	6,500	8,067	6,500
Oxygen	1,000	554	1,000
Paramedic Intercept Fees	2,000		1,000
Support Salary	3,500	2,500	3,500
Physio Control	1,300	2,499	1,300
Ambulance Maintenance	2,000	2,259	2,000
Daytime EMS Coverage	11,000	13,155	12,500
Ambulance Diesel Fuel	1,250	861	1,250
Communications	1,800	755	1,500
Total	\$36,750	\$36,282	\$36,750

\*Note: These figures are based on invoice date and thus may differ from Town Report figures based on payment date.

Ending Balance, Dec 31, 2016

Billing Summary	2016 Budget	2016 Actual	2017 Budget
Open receivables January 1	\$35,000	\$34,921	\$36,000
Invoiced amount Contractual Allowances Net Invoiced Amount	17,500 -3,000 14,500	10,493 -1,667 8,826	12,000 -2,000 10,000
Payments received Retractions Net Payment Applied	12,000 -500 11,500	8,347 -621 7,726	8,000 -500 7,500
Write-off of bad debt	-10,000		-20,000
Open receivables December 31	\$28,000	\$36,021	\$18,500
EMS Revolving Fund			
Beginning Balance, Jan 1, 2016 Deposits & Interest Withdrawals	\$24,579 8,772		

\$33,351

## **FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE**

Monday, July 4, 2016, was a warm and sunny day for our town's annual celebration of Independence Day – Andover's 74th annual celebration!

As is the custom, the day started with the Andover Lions Club pancake breakfast. This was followed by the opening ceremonies on the Village Green, including the flag raising by the American Legion Crosby-Gilbert Post #101 and the invocation written by Irene Wagner and read by Master of Ceremonies, Bob Ward.

Next came the singing of the National Anthem by Steve Smith with the people of our community joining in. Other pre-parade activities on the Green were the festival and market, music by the Kearsarge Community Band, and a medley of patriotic songs by Margo Coolidge and Nancy Tripp.

For the 10th year the Firecracker 5K foot race was held in the morning on the Northern Rail Trail and was sponsored by the Andover Boy Scouts. Once again, this event had a good turn-out and was a big success.

This year's parade theme was American Heroes and was creatively interpreted with various floats and walking groups by our community groups, businesses, and families. The children in the Kids Parade did a great job in following the parade theme, too.

For the second year, Steve Smith volunteered as a Master of Ceremonies (along with Bob Ward) to help announce the activities and to cover the parade announcements.

Andover's 74th celebration of America's Independence Day ended with the grand finale – a fireworks display that was, as always, nothing short of spectacular! The fireworks were again fired off from the Proctor Academy Ski Area.

### **Dedication**

This year's parade was dedicated to Shirley Currier in appreciation for her decades of service as treasurer and in many other capacities on the Fourth of July Committee.

## **New This Year**

Some new features for the 2016 celebration were a new line-up location for the Kids Parade. The Andover Fire Department graciously let us use their facility, which worked out well. It was not such a long wait for the kids in the hot sun!

As well, we had continuous music on the Green all day and into the evening. We had a children's tent with crafts and games, which was a great success. A photo contest facilitated by the Andover Community Association was also a new event.

### Recognition

The work of organizing the Andover Fourth of July celebration is accomplished each year by a dedicated group of Andover residents who volunteer their time to make our community's Independence Day celebration a success – volunteers such as Toby Locke, who sets up the Re-

viewing Stand, and Jim Henderson, who sets out and later picks up the trash barrels. After 74 years, that tradition continues!

This year, for the first time, our parade organizer was Donna Fortune French, who did a great job making the parade again a success! Special thanks and recognition also go to Judy Poblenz Perreault for her tireless efforts and dedication as our fundraising coordinator. Without her efforts, the Fourth of July Committee finances would not be where they stand today!

The Fourth of July Committee's officers, committee chairs, and team members are listed on page 5 in recognition of their efforts to keep Andover's Fourth of July tradition alive!

## **Community Support**

The Fourth of July Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the Town of Andover and the entire Andover community for their support. We would also like to thank Proctor Academy for the use of their facilities for our annual celebration.

Andover's Independence Day Celebration is a very special patriotic event which is both a celebration of our nation's independence and a celebration of our own community. Andover's Independence Day Celebration would not be possible without the continued enthusiastic support from all of you! Thank you, Andover!

We remain sincerely and deeply thankful!

The Fourth of July Committee roster appears on page 5.

#### **PLANNING BOARD**

It was a busy year for the Planning Board. The Board prepared the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Amendment to Andover's Zoning Ordinance. To assist us, we held two public hearings to give community members opportunities to ask questions and share comments. We listened and made changes to the amendment. Thank you to community members who attended our hearings and sent comments.

An ADU is defined as a residential living unit that is accessory to a single-dwelling unit and provides for independent living facilities for one or more persons. A new State of New Hampshire law, effective June 1, 2017, will allow an attached ADU as a matter of right, or by conditional use permit, or by special exception, in all zoning districts that permit single family dwellings.

Andover's Zoning Ordinance does not mention ADUs, so if Andover does not adopt an ordinance for ADUs, they will automatically be deemed permitted by New Hampshire state law.

A guiding principle of Andover's Master Plan identifies the concept of

providing choices in housing types. One priority is to maintain Andover's small town and rural character. The benefits of creating ADUs include:

- increasing the supply of affordable housing without the need for more infrastructure or further land development
- benefiting ageing homeowners, recent college graduates with significant student loan debt, caregivers, and disabled persons
- integrating affordable housing into the community with minimal negative impact
- providing elderly citizens with the opportunity to live in a supportive family environment with independence and dignity

The warrant article for the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2: Accessory Dwelling Units, can be found on page 10.

Town voters approved funding for a part-time Planning and Zoning Coordinator. In mid-May, Pat Moyer was hired to handle the responsibilities of sorting and organizing Town files, assisting residents with zoning inquiries, filing correspondence, and reviewing applications for completeness for the Planning Board.

Randall Costa was welcomed as a new Planning Board member and Doug Phelps as secretary. Work will continue with the

Work will continue with the Lakes Region Planning Commission to create new official digital and paper zoning maps that clearly identify individual zone lines.

The Board approved two site plan review applications, one for a new retail wood products and vehicle rental business and another for a new hardware store. Two lot merger applications were approved.

Board members will continue to work collaboratively with the Zoning Administrator, the Planning and Zoning Coordinator, and the Select Board on enforcement issues, policies and procedures, and resources available to the public.

The Planning Board roster appears on page 4.



The Andover Snowmobile Club's float in 1978.

Photo: C. Wein

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

2016 was a very busy year for the Andover Police Department. The Department handled 3,701 calls for service during the year.

Here is a partial list of the calls we handled:

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<ul> <li>Assist to citizens</li> </ul>	100
<ul> <li>Assist to other police</li> </ul>	74
<ul> <li>Assist to Fire Dept</li> </ul>	15
<ul> <li>Ambulance calls</li> </ul>	53
<ul> <li>Welfare checks</li> </ul>	14
<ul> <li>House checks</li> </ul>	1,130
<ul> <li>House alarms</li> </ul>	12
<ul> <li>Road hazards</li> </ul>	34
<ul> <li>Parking violations</li> </ul>	24
<ul> <li>Traffic warnings</li> </ul>	1,154
<ul> <li>Traffic summons</li> </ul>	82
<ul> <li>Traffic arrest</li> </ul>	11
<ul> <li>Passing school bus</li> </ul>	2
<ul> <li>Accidents</li> </ul>	28
<ul> <li>Cruelty to animals</li> </ul>	3
<ul> <li>Dog complaints</li> </ul>	55
<ul> <li>Noise complaints</li> </ul>	8
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<ul> <li>OHRV complaints</li> </ul>	6
<ul> <li>Criminal mischief</li> </ul>	9
<ul> <li>Fraud complaints</li> </ul>	12
• Suspicious person/vehicle	29
• Thefts	21
<ul> <li>Domestic disputes</li> </ul>	10
<ul> <li>Sexual assaults</li> </ul>	3
<ul> <li>License to Carry permits</li> </ul>	105

The Department is still working diligently on school safety and currently attending more meetings to meet the needs of the school. We are still training for active shooter incidents, and this leads the top of the list of training.

As in recent years, an enormous amount of time is spent on investigations which include search warrants, surveillance, and court appearances.

I am hoping that with new state and federal administrations, more grants might become available for the police to help in their everyday duties to protect the citizens.

Small towns with small police departments rely on whatever resources are available to them. This includes other police departments and agencies throughout the state. "Thank you!" to Danbury, Wilmot, Franklin, and Merrimack County Sheriff Department and to New Hampshire State Police for their assistance throughout the year.

As every year passes, I will always acknowledge the superior and professional services that the town receives from the officers of the Andover Police Department. It's not possible to give the level of service we do without them. It is a complete privilege and honor to work with these officers. Thank you, guys!

Stay safe, Andover.

Glern Laramie
Chief, Andover Police Department

The Police Department roster appears on page 4.



Clyde Currier and Vic Phelps rode on a tropical-themed float in 1978.

Photo: C. Wein

#### PROCTOR LIAISON COMMITTEE

The Andover-Proctor Academy Liaison Committee met three times during 2016 to continue to strengthen the relationship between Proctor and the Town of Andover. Topics of discussion included the various new construction projects at Proctor, specifically:

- solar installation at Proctor
- the building and completion of the new Brown Dining Commons
- the modular construction of a new dormitory on the west end of Proctor's campus to replace Thoreau House after a June fire that burned the historic dorm to the ground
- improvements at the Proctor Ski Area to alpine and Nordic trails
- future renovation plans for the Farrell Field House

Representatives from the Andover School Board discussed the rationale for the passing of the bond for im-

provements to Andover Elementary/Middle School building. Members of the Andover-Proctor Academy Liaison Committee see a strong relationship between Proctor and AE/MS, highlighted by

Proctor students and faculty engaging with AE/MS students through Math Night, judging Poetry Night, volunteering during Proctor's Project Period and Senior Project, and hosting numerous clinics for AE/MS and Andover Recreation athletic teams.

The Committee also spent time processing issues impacting the town and ways that Proctor can help, including discussion on the Lawrence Street Bridge and its potential replacement in the future, and volunteer efforts supporting the Andover Energy Committee, Andover Recreation Committee, and other Town of Andover committees.

When discussing Proctor Academy's engagement in the town, members of the Committee noted Proctor's tax bill will increase this year due to new construction projects, keeping Proctor as the single largest taxpayer in the town.

In conversations around the financial impact of Proctor's tax contributions in relation to the school bond put forth this year, the Committee also noted that any Andover student who attends Proctor (at a 40% discount over the regular day student tuition rate) also saves the town significant money (roughly \$13,000 per student) by not paying to send those students to Merrimack Valley Regional High School.

As the Committee looks to 2017, it will continue to serve as a powerful way for Town officials, School Board members, and members of Proctor's administration to understand the challenges facing both the Town of Andover and Proctor Academy, as well as a place to identify opportunities for collaboration.

The Proctor Liason Committee roster appears on page 5.



Frank Downes' ponies pulled this float in 1976.

Photo: C. Wein

#### **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

The programs offered by the Andover Recreation Committee expanded in 2016. In addition to the staples of soccer, basketball, and skiing, mountain biking and track and field added much-needed spring and summer offerings for Andover's youth. The following provides an overview of the programs and activities offered through the Recreation Committee.

**Skiing:** The ski-snowboard program is the Recreation Committee's largest program. Over 150 students participate in learning to ski and ride at Ragged Mountain Resort on Friday afternoons in January and early February. The program includes an hour of instruction each afternoon followed by two hours of open skiing or riding. The program provides instruction for beginners as well as those who have skied or snowboarded for years.

Sue Norris and Jennifer Hauser have done an excellent job of organizing the program and working with Ragged Mountain Resort to make the program successful.

Ice Rink: The ice rink near the Andover Town Hall continues to provide Andover residents and others many hours of enjoyment. The ice rink is normally put up by a small but dedicated work force in late November or early December and stays up until late March or early April. Skaters and hockey enthusiasts took to the ice in 2016 despite warmer than normal temperatures.

Many thanks to Kurt Weber, Tim Norris, Alan Hanscom, Andrew Donaldson, Howard George, Garry George, and others for their work on the ice rink.

**Soccer:** The soccer program had 73 participants in 2016. There was a third and fourth grade girls team and a third and fourth grade boys team, as well as a fifth and sixth grade coed team.

The teams again played in the Merrimack Valley Soccer League. The program also included an instructional program for the 27 kindergarten, first grade, and second grade children.

Thanks to Heidi Murphy for heading-up the soccer program and to all the coaches, referees, and other volunteers who devote their time and energy to the soccer program.

**Basketball:** Similar to the soccer program, the basketball program includes an instructional program for first and second graders and league competition for the third and fourth grade teams and the fifth and sixth grade teams.

After many years of Andover teams playing in the New London basketball league, the Recreation Committee decided to join the Independent Community Basketball (ICB) program. The ICB program provides an organized recreational basketball league for youth that attend the Merrimack Valley School District. Scott Allenby and Jennifer Hauser have been instrumental in

providing a smooth transition to the ICB league.

Mountain Biking: The first year of the recreational Andover Cycling Club was a great experience for the 17 youth who met in the evenings at Blackwater Park and went for rides with a dedicated core of parents and coaches. Led by Andrew Donaldson, the riders learned safe riding techniques while expanding their abilities on varying terrain around Andover.

Track and Field: The track program had 14 participants that met for five weeks during June and July. Coached by Brian Reynolds, the athletes participated in three meets, two at Merrimack Valley and one at Concord.

**Learn-to-Swim:** Instruction for the learn-to-swim program takes place at Highland Lake each summer. Unfortunately, we did not have a swim instructor for 2016, so the program was cancelled.

#### **Blackwater Park Building**

More progress was made in 2016 on the Blackwater Building, and we expect the final interior work to be completed this spring.

The Recreation Committee would like to note that 2016 marked the end of many years of dedicated service to the youth of Andover by Howard and Ellie George. The success of today's programs would not be what it is without their contributions. Thank you, Howard and Ellie.

Finally, we would like to thank all of you who support Andover's recreational programs and activities.

The Recreation Committee roster appears on page 4.

#### TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station has been, as always, a very busy place this year. We have seen Single Stream Recycling disposal fees fluctuate, and for the better part of the year, the fees have been less than in 2015. The fee for December 2016 was \$38.50 per ton, and it has recently decreased to \$37.00 per ton. The disposal fee for solid waste (the garbage compactor) is nearly \$68.00 per ton, so we encourage everyone to separate their recyclables and make use of the Single Stream compactor.

The Select Board has been looking at ways to accommodate the 700 (average) patrons that use the Transfer Station each week. In November,

"Commercial Friday Afternoons" was implemented. The goal is to take the pressure off residential patrons on Wednesday and Saturday and to relieve long waiting lines.

The kiosk was a busy place during the political campaigns. Please remember that community signs are welcome on the kiosk.

The Swap Shop has been a busy place and has become somewhat of a monthly event. If you haven't already done so, check it out when it is open in May.

Rules and regulations for transfer stations have become stricter, and fines are levied when loads are sent out with prohibited contents mixed in. Also, loads can be returned for sorting if the receiving facility feels it is necessary.

Our staff is vigilant to be sure that containers do not contain prohibited materials. However, the logistics at our Transfer Station are challenging, since the facility is very spread out. There has been some conversation about the use of a golf cart, but the price of a used golf cart to get around is far less than the fines that range from \$1,000 to \$37,800 per occurrence. If you are unsure about where to put something, please ask an attendant.

We look forward to serving you in 2017.

The Transfer Station roster appears on page 4.



The American Legion's Color Guard in 1976.

Photo: C. Wein

#### 40 Transfer Station

Andover is a member of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association, which handles many of the town's recyclables. The following are some Andover recycling statistics for 2015 from NRRA.



"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234
Telephone: (603) 736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150 Fax: (603) 736-4402
E-mail: info@nrra.net Web Site: www.nrra.net

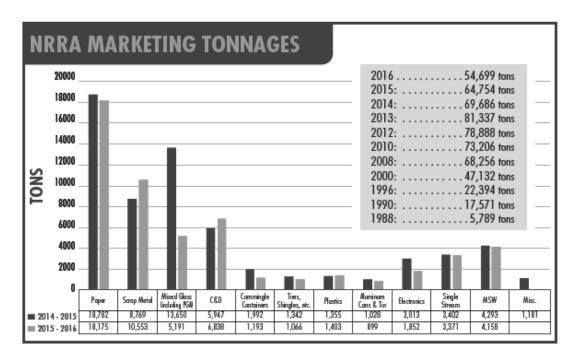
Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 36-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date Technical Assistance in waste reduction and recycling including solid waste contract negotiations;
- Cooperative Marketing to maximize pricing and Cooperative Purchasing to minimize costs;
- Current Market Conditions and Latest Recycling Trends, both regionally and nationwide;
- Innovative Programs (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- Educational and Networking Opportunities through our Annual Recycling Conference, our Monthly "Full of Scrap"
   email news, monthly Marketing meetings, members' only website, workshops and Fall Facility Tours;
- School Recycling Club a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- NH DES Continuing Ed Credits;
- NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recyclemobiles.

NRRA membership has grown to include more than 400 municipalities, businesses and individuals in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine. NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a "brokerage fee" or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal "Co-op" Fee" which is re-invested to further your recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities.

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 54,699 tons in fiscal year 2015-2016!



Please contact NRRA at 800-223-0150 / 603-736-4401 or visit our website at www.nrra.net



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#### Town of Andover, NH

#### Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact your recycling has had on our environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2016	Environmental Impact!  Here is only one benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Aluminum Cans	2873 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 292,512 hours!
Electronics	21,545 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 2.8 houses for one year!
Paper	95 tons	Saved 1,632 trees!
Plastics	17,815 lbs.	Conserved 13,361 gallons of gasoline!
Scrap Metal	74 gross tons	Conserved 207,075 pounds of iron ore!
Tires	17.8 tons	Conserved 11.7 barrels of oil!

#### **Avoided Emissions:**

Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

By recycling the materials above, you have avoided about 393 tons of carbon dioxide emissions This is the equivalent of removing 84 passenger cars from the road for an entire year

#### **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) again had a quiet year. We had only a few applications, all of which, if I recall correctly, were approved not involving difficult questions. In each case, we strove to uphold the intent of the Town's zoning ordinance while at the same time making reasonable accommodation where appropriate.

We at last have a full complement of members and alternates! It was difficult before to assemble enough members to be fair to applicants, since it takes at least three affirmative votes for the Board to act, no matter how many are sitting at the hearing. An applicant has a right to five members being present. With two alternates and a full five-person board, this should no longer be a problem.

We strive to keep up with changes in the law and to have our members be fully aware of applicable statutes and judicial decisions to be certain that the Board acts fairly and within the law.

Daniel S Coolidge Chair

The Zoning Board of Adjustment roster appears on page 4.



**Uncle Sam and Betsy Ross.** 

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

To quote Frank Sinatra, "It was a very good year." Both the Andover Public Library (APL) and the William A. Bachelder Library (WABL) were able to expand programs, patron numbers, and circulation. We are always thankful for the ongoing support of the Town of Andover and its avid readers and library lovers.

I owe much gratitude to Directors Gail Fitzpatrick and Priscilla Poulin, and Trustees Barbara Freeman, Susan Chase, Deb Brower, and Caroline Moulton Ratzki for their unflinching service, even in the face of a Board chair who is filled with ideas but quails at detail.

Speaking of libraries, we have added a new one, small though it may be. WABL Director Gail Fitzpatrick and her nimble-figured husband Gary spent the winter crafting a Little Free Library, duly registered and certified, that now occupies a prominent post at the Town Beach at Highland Lake. The Little Free Library (shaped like a boat) has seen many, many books come and go in its exchange format and will return in June. Since hope is eternal, we anticipate another "posting" ready for the ballfield at Blackwater Park in the spring.

Also new this year was an alternative to the usual six-week summer reading program; instead, APL hosted a four-day Library Camp that met each morning of the week of July 4. With the omnipresent organizational help of Director Priscilla Poulin, Janet Moore and Caroline Moulton introduced the seven attendees to local businesses through site visits: Lake Sunapee Bank, Ragged Mountain Physical Therapy, and Bear Hollow and Naughty Nellies.

We also invited several profes-

sionals to bring their work to the library. Mary Lloyd Evans, Brian Reynolds, Kurt Weber, Mackenzie Donovan, and Tiny Thompson entertained the kids with very handson demonstrations of their trades and jobs. Yes, there's nothing like an intelligent, compliant dog or an excavator/backhoe to engage the children. We read related books, learned new games, and produced a Kids Guide to Andover businesses.

In the meantime, books flew in, books flew out, and more and more people accessed their "reading material" through the state library's Overdrive program, which enables one to listen to books through an MP3 player or other such device. If you're a commuter of any length or frequent traveler, you know the joy that comes not just from seeing but from hearing the words of your favorite author or narrator.

The Fourth of July Book Sale once again netted a wondrous sum – \$2,500 – for the libraries. We thank all of the townspeople and vacationers for their generous support. In particular, Rachel MacDuffie and the Proctor crew facilitate use of the Stone Chapel. The Boy Scouts move carton after carton, and a variety of friends and families help box up at the end of the day.

The many longtime volunteers who make this event possible simply reflect the spirit of Andover citizens. And speaking of friends, we now have a Friends group, small but mighty, and headed by Heather Rogers.

We are excited to announce that the air source heat pump system, installed in the waning days of last December, functions perfectly. WABL is now a comfortable building, upstairs and downstairs, summer and winter, which makes hosting yoga and play groups and story hour – keep those little kids warm! – that much easier. A Zentangle group also met there on Thursday evenings, and photography workshops continue as the interest warrants.

On the other side of town, big news: the APL and Town Hall are in the midst of a behind-the-face lift. For the Andover Library, this means new and improved insulation from basement to attic, replacement interior lighting, and as the town has already approved, a new metal roof.

Since this project entailed a major clean-out, we now enjoy better storage space in the basement and a more pleasant climate upstairs. With an increased number of patrons and more materials being circulated every year, the library is thriving.

In closing, I'll highlight one particular program. In September, we invited Robert Azzi, a renowned photojournalist who grew up in New Hampshire and worked for many years in the Middle East, where he converted to Islam, to speak to the community. With the combined efforts of Proctor, the Libraries, and the Andover Police, we were able to offer Mr. Azzi a safe and welcoming venue for his conversation, which is how the evening progressed. He answered many, many questions about his religion and the current state of affairs in which it has become embroiled.

Public libraries enjoy the privilege of sharing information with and from the wider community, and in this particular case, it was an honor to participate in that privilege.

Janet Moore

Chair, Libraries Board of Trustees

#### **CIRCULATION AND ACQUISITIONS**

	Andover Public Library	
Circulation	•	-
Adult Non-Fiction	167	184
Adult Fiction	1,847	670
Juvenile Books	2,295	951
Magazines	226	57
Books	240	83
NHDB audio and e-books	507	507
Subtotal	5,282	2,452
Interlibrary Loaned	411	249
Interlibrary Borrowed	220	77
<b>Total Circulation</b>	5,913	2,778
Acquisitions		
Adult Books	432	176
Juvenile Books	233	97
Magazines	31	14
Audio Books & DVDs	117	30
Total Acquisitions	813	317
Patron Computer Usage	124	86

The libraries are very appreciative of the many donations of books and videos.

#### A Note on the Libraries' Budgets

The Andover Library and the William Adams Bachelder Library each maintain savings accounts that are comprised of memorial donations, general donations, book donation monies, and the proceeds from the Town Meeting and Fourth of July food sales. This money is used to purchase additional books, library supplies, and equipment; and to meet any unanticipated need that may arise in the respective library. In November 2007, each Library received a memorial gift of \$2,500 with its use restricted to the purchase of books. These funds are managed by the Library Trustees pursuant to New Hampshire State Law.

#### **ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET**

	Estimated 2016	Actual 2016	Estimated 2017
Income			
Cash on hand, January 1	\$3,107	\$3,107	\$4,863
Town Appropriation	26,800	28,254	26,125
Miscellaneous	,	43	•
Transfer from Savings		38	
Total Income	\$29,907	\$31,442	\$30,988
Expenditures			
Salary Expenses	\$15,500	\$15,508	\$15,500
Books/Mags/Audio/Video	6,050	6,530	6,050
Library Supplies	600	730	600
Technology & computer services	950	731	950
Electricity	720	640	720
Insurance	575	688	575
Janitor	675	150	150
Equipment, maintenance & repair	650	649	650
Telephone	230	238	230
Professional development	200	15	200
Outreach	450	277	300
Miscellaneous	200	138	200
Total Expenditures	\$26,800	\$26,294	\$26,125

#### **WILLIAM A. BACHELDER LIBRARY BUDGET**

	Estimated 2016	Actual 2016	Estimated 2017
Income			
Cash on hand, January 1	\$6,822	\$6,822	\$6,157
Bachelder Trust	15,361	14,641	14,641
Town Appropriation	14,200	12,710	14,200
Miscellaneous			
Transfer from Savings		2,038	
Total Income	\$36,383	\$36,211	\$34,998
Expenditures			
Salary Expenses	\$14,200	\$13,477	\$14,200
Books/Mags/Audio/Video	6,050	4,805	6,050
Library Supplies	600	424	600
Technology	950	648	950
Electricity	705	1,502	1,500
Fuel	4,100	1,465	2,000
Insurance	400	440	450
Janitor/maintenance person	675	150	325
Equipment, maint. & renovations	6,150	6,760	1,000
Telephone	230	238	230
Professional development	200	23	200
Outreach	450	270	300
Miscellaneous	200	138	200
Total Expenditures	\$34,910	\$30,340	\$28,005

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#### ANDOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Andover Fire Department looks to our call volume and number of times we respond to all kinds of incidents to help gauge our level of activity. Although we have responded to almost 100 calls for help this year, our activity time has doubled when we include our planning that will combine the town's two fire departments, commissioners, and budgets. This is the last step in a plan adopted by the Select

Board's fire department study group.

We continue to look at our equipment to verify that tax funds are spent wisely. Our planning team has concluded that we should remove our tanker from service, as it cannot also serve as a pumper. We plan to combine a tanker pumper in a future truck replacement. This will be the third truck we will remove from service under combined fire department operations.

We purchased 23 new air packs with money we received from a fire grant. It was very exciting for our team to receive this life saving equipment without any cost to the people we serve.

We again thank the people of Andover for your valued and continued support. Please support our plan to finish the unification your fire department.

Please be safe.



The Andover Fire Department roster appears on page 5.

#### ANDOVER FIRE DISTRICT 1 WARRANT

Andover Fire District 1 Meeting, March 22, 2017, 7 PM

To the inhabitants of Andover Fire District No. 1, in the Town of Andover, County of Merrimack, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on district affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Andover Fire Station in said district on Wednesday, the 22nd day of March, 2017, at 7 PM to act on the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the report of the last meeting.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the reports of the treasurer, auditor, commissioners, and fire chief.

**ARTICLE 3:** To elect the necessary officers for the ensuing term:

- Moderator for 1 year
- Treasurer for 1 year
- · Clerk for 1 year
- Commissioner for 3 years

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district

will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,275 as the operating budget of the Andover Fire Department, District 1, with \$2,437 to come from the unassigned fund balance resulting in an estimated \$69,838 to be raised by taxes.

The unassigned fund balance is composed of \$1,975, which is the balance of the unexpended 2016 appropriation; \$247, which is the 2016 surplus from district taxes collected by the Town of Andover; \$65 from checking account interest; and \$150 from sale of surplus equipment.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the district will vote to authorize the commissioners to sell the 1992 International tanker known as 31 Tanker 1 by any manner that they determine to be in the best interest of the district.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the voters of the District, contingent upon ap-

proval of a reciprocal warrant article in the East Andover Fire Precinct and approval of the Andover Select Board, vote to consolidate the Andover and East Andover Fire Districts, including dissolving the East Andover Fire Precinct, transferring all assets and setting boundaries of the Andover Fire District to include the entire Town of Andover, New Hampshire. This shall be effective January 1, 2018.

Recommended by the Andover and East Andover Fire District Commissioners.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the District will vote to change the number of commissioners from 3 to 5 effective January 1, 2018, contingent on the passage of Article 6.

**ARTICLE 8:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

#### **ANDOVER FIRE DISTRICT 1 BUDGET**

	2016 Approved	2016 Actual	2017 Budget
Expenses			_
Heating Fuel	\$3,000	\$2,325	\$3,000
Electricity	1,400	1,440	1,400
Telephone	400	406	
Water	275	443	275
Building Maintenance	2,000	1,548	2,000
Insurance	5,000	3,223	8,500
Insurance Deductible	1,000		1,000
Chief's Salary	500	500	500
Clerk Salary	400	400	400
LRMA Association	11,400	11,396	11,600
Truck & Equipment Maintenance	3,500	4,850	3,500
Motor Fuel	1,300	756	1,300
Bank Loan Payment/Capital Reserve	30,000	32,439	30,000
Transfer to EAFD	350	350	
Shared Costs			
New Equipment	\$3,500	\$7,944	\$3,500
Administration / Training	900	<b>4.</b> , <b>5.</b> .	900
Turnout Gear	3,000	1,251	2,000
SCBA Maintenance	3,500	, -	2,000
Office and Supplies	590	770	399
SCBA Grant		148,953	
Legal Expenses		·	1
Total	\$72,015	\$218,994	\$72,275
Revenue	•	•	
Amount Raised by Taxes	\$70,392	\$70,639	\$69,838
Additional Funds Available	1,623	1,623	2,437
Other revenue - SCBA Grant		148,953	
Total	\$72,015	\$221,215	\$72,275
Encumbered Rescue Truck funds		73,289	

#### EAST ANDOVER FIRE PRECINCT WARRANT

East Andover Fire Precinct Meeting, March 21, 2017, 7 PM

To the inhabitants of the East Andover Fire Precinct in the Town of Andover, County of Merrimack, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in precinct affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the East Andover Fire Station in said precinct on Tuesday, the 21st day of March, 2017, at 7 PM to act on the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose the necessary officers for the ensuing term:

- Moderator for one year.
- Auditor for one year.
- Commissioner for 3 years.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the reports of the treasurer, auditor, commissioners, and the fire chief.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$64,950 as the operating budget of the East Andover Fire Precinct with \$1,712 to come from the unassigned fund balance resulting in an estimated \$63,238 to be raised by taxes. That fund balance is composed of the unexpended 2016 operating budget of \$147; the additional precinct taxes received of \$1,214; \$350 received from Andover Fire Department for parts sold off Engine 4: and \$1 in bank interest.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the voters of the precinct, contingent upon approval of a reciprocal warrant article in Andover Fire District #1 and approval of the Select Board, vote to consolidate the Andover and East Andover Fire Districts, including dissolving the East Andover Fire Precinct, transferring all assets, and setting boundaries of the Andover Fire District to include the entire Town of Andover, New Hampshire. This shall be effective January 1, 2018. (2/3 majority vote required)

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



Steve Smith and Phil Aber performed in 1978.

Photo: C. Wein

#### **EAST ANDOVER FIRE PRECINCT BUDGET**

	Approved 2016	Actual 2016	2017 Budget
Expenses			
Heating Fuel	\$2,750	\$1,897	\$2,750
Electricity	1,400	1,090	1,400
Building Maintenance	2,000	2,396	2,000
Insurance	3,700	3,664	7,200
Insurance Deductible	1,000		1,000
Chief's Salary	500	500	500
Clerk Salary	400	400	400
LRMA Association	11,400	11,396	11,600
Truck & Equipment Maintenance	3300	6,549	3,300
Motor Fuel	1,000	1,005	1,000
New Truck Capital Reserve	25,000	25,000	25,000
Shared Costs			
New Equipment	3,500	3,304	3,500
Administration / Training	900	470	900
Turnout Gear	1,000	995	2,000
SCBA Equip	1,000		2,000
Office and Supplies	200	238	399
Legal Expenses			1
Total	\$59,050	\$58,902	\$64,950
Revenue			
Amount Raised by Taxes	\$53,950	\$55,164	\$63,238
Additional Funds Available	5,100	5,100	1,712
Total	\$59,050	\$60,264	\$64,950



A large crowd on the Village Green in 1982.

Photo: C. Wein

#### ANDOVER VILLAGE DISTRICT WARRANT

Andover Village District Meeting, March 20, 2017, 7 PM

To the inhabitants of the Andover Village District in the County of Merrimack in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Village District affairs, are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Meeting to be held as follows:

At the Andover Town Library in the Town Office in said district on Monday, the 20th day of March, 2017, at 7 PM to act on the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the report of the last annual meeting.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the reports of the

commissioners, treasurer, and auditor.

**ARTICLE 3:** To elect the necessary officers for the ensuing year:

- Commissioner for three years
- Moderator for one year

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the District will vote to accept and expend any federal and/or state grants received by the District.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the District will vote to accept water rents totaling an estimated \$65,000 to be billed quarterly at a gallonage rate with a user fee.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Andover Village District Capital Reserve Account previously established.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the District will vote to accept the budget of \$71,550 as .recommended .by the commissioners and presented by the budget committee and to raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the budget.

**ARTICLE 8:** To transact any further business that may legally come before this meeting.

The Andover Village District roster appears on page 5.

#### ANDOVER VILLAGE DISTRICT BUDGET

Expenses	Approved 2016 Budget	Actual 2016	2017 Budget
Commissioners Salaries	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,500
Clerk/Treasurer Salary	2,000	2,000	2,000
Office	500	267	1,500
Telephone	950	923	950
Fuel	3,500	2,525	3,500
Electricity	3,400	3,235	3,400
Chemical Treatment	2,000	2,950	3,000
Chlorine Plant Operator	16,000	16,088	16,500
Water Testing	3,000	2,134	3,000
Maintenance & Repair	25,000	29,984	25,000
Meter Reading	320	320	500
Insurance	1,300	1,604	1,650
Capital Reserve Deposit	5,000	5,000	5,000
Dam Registration	750	750	750
Education	300	165	300
System Mapping	2,500	0	2,500
Roof Replacement	0	0	5,500
Total	\$68,020	\$68,945	\$76,550
Revenue			
Water Rents	\$65,000	\$62,793	\$65,000
Cash Account Withdrawal	3,020	0	11,550
Logging	0	10,740	0
Total	\$68,020	\$73,533	\$76,550

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#### AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

The mission of the Ausbon ■ Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) is to protect the rural landscape of the 12 towns of the Mount Kearsarge / Ragged Mountain / Mount Sunapee region. The region comprises the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot.

Since our founding in 1987, ASLPT has completed 139 projects and protected 11,117 acres – including 14 working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit, and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

Quality of life is very important to the residents of New Hampshire, and the state consistently ranks in the top 10 as one of the best places to live in the United States. Contributing to this ranking are our clean water, scenic places, and outdoor recreation. Open spaces also contribute signifi-cantly to the economic well-being of the state and our communities.

During 2016, ASLPT completed three projects representing just over 52 acres; one in Andover and two in New London.

On January 21, 2016, the JD McLeod Company, Inc. donated a 24.72-acre parcel of land in fee to ASLPT. The McLeod land donation represents the fourth property that ASLPT owns. Not only is this property a valuable addition of protected land, but it also has nearly 900 feet of frontage on the scenic Northern Rail Trail.

This mostly forested property is highly ranked for wildlife habitat and also has extensive water resources. including a perennial stream that flows through a wetlands area along

the western boundary of the acreage. The McLeod Preserve was protected with the assistance of the Town of Andover Conservation Commission, and the acreage was given to ASLPT with no restrictions. It will be managed for the public benefit, as is the intention of the ASLPT mission.

Our web site at AusbonSargent. org indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public. These trails, many of which cross privately owned land, are open to hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing. The web site includes trail maps and driving directions. For more information on these newly conserved properties and all of ASLPT's protected properties, please visit AusbonSargent.org. Also, please "Like" us on Facebook!

ASLPT hosted numerous events in 2016 that are available for our membership and the public to enjoy. In addition to our ever-popular fundraising events such as the Progressive Dinner in July and the Holiday Party in December, we collaborated for the first time with the New London Barn Playhouse to host "Ausbon Sargent Night" and with the Center for the Arts to host an art auction that featured conserved Ausbon Sargent properties and other artwork reflecting the natural beauty surrounding our area. These events raised funds for both organizations and we hope to repeat them in the future.

The fifth annual Kearsarge Klassic Bike Event in conjunction with the New Hampshire Cycling Club was held in the beginning of September with a record number of participants.

This bike event brings riders along routes that showcase ASLPT properties throughout the 12-town region.

We held workshops on the invasive insect, the Emerald Ash Borer, and how to support pollinators in the landscape. Hikes were offered in Sunapee, Andover (on the Old College Road Preserve), New London, Wilmot, and Springfield. Our popular dragonfly walk was held in Sutton.

As you can see, we offer many opportunities to get out to learn, hike, and involve the public in our mission to protect the rural landscape of our region. We hope you will all come out at some point to take advantage of our workshops or to experience the beauty of some of these special places for yourselves.

ASLPT is pleased to have over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments, and clerical work. We are especially grateful for those volunteers who monitor our many conserved properties in Andover, including:

- the Barclin property on South Shaw Hill Road
- the Broshek and Cline properties on Shaw Hill Road
- the Graves property on Maple Street
- the Gross/Walton and Parent property on the north side of Route 11
- the Hersey conservation easements on Route 11
- the Hiller property on Valley Road
- the Lebo/Malan property on Old College Road
- the McLeod Preserve off of Currier Road
  - the Old College Road Preserve
- the Perry/Radzelovage and Nardino property on the north side of Hoyt Road.

Each May we host a Volunteer Recognition Party in Sunapee as a thank you to these loyal and talented volunteers.

We are grateful to have so many giving members who provide financial support and the countless hours which have assured our success. If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, there are many ways to get involved; you could:

- become a conservation easement donor
- support ASLPT financially
- volunteer your time to the organization
- encourage town officials throughout our 12-town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation

And if you are not already, please consider becoming a member of ASLPT.

We would especially like to thank the Town of Andover Conservation Commission for being such a good resource and collaborating with ASLPT Sargent on several successful projects over the years.



On May 21, 2016, the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust held a well-attended hike on the Old College Road Preserve, one of several conservation easements that ASLPT oversees in Andover.

#### **KEARSARGE LAKE SUNAPEE COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**

The Kearsarge Lake Sunapee Community Food Pantry is a totally voluntary 501(c)(3) non-profit supported by local area individuals, businesses, and organizations with the mission to help meet the emergency and on-going food and household needs of people in the Kearsarge Lake Sunapee region who are experiencing financial hardship.

The towns included in this outreach effort are Andover, Bradford, Danbury, New London, Newbury, Salisbury, Springfield, Sunapee (including Georges Mills), Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot. Families from all these towns use the Pantry's services. The Food Pantry relies solely on donations and volunteers to provide this community service. It does not receive any federal, state, or local government financing and has no paid staff.

The Food Pantry is located in the back of the First Baptist Church in New London in a clean, accessible area provided at no expense by the church. It is open on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 7 PM and on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11:30 AM. More than 125 volunteers from the

More than 125 volunteers from the area towns are involved in assisting families and shopping or picking up donations from local and regional supermarkets, the New Hampshire Food Bank, and some warehouse clubs. They also inspect donations for safe food conditions, stock shelves, clean up, and coordinate volunteer times. A volunteer Board includes at-large members and representatives of area churches and prepares financial reports, creates policies and partnerships, and seeks input from those served.

The Food Pantry provides many different non-perishable foods, dairy, meat, some fresh fruit and vegetables when available, paper goods and toiletries, laundry and dish detergents, and diapers/wipes, available approximately every two weeks to each family.

Crucial food partnerships include: Hannaford: Twice a week the Food Pantry is able to get fresh produce, meat, fresh fruit, breads, pastry, and dairy products from Hannaford Supermarket as part of the Feed America Fresh Rescue Program. This provides wonderful and healthful options for our pantry families. In addition, each year Hannaford and the New London Police Department partner for a very successful Stuff the Cruiser food donation event. This event brings in thousands of pounds of food and monetary donations to

New Hampshire Food Bank: The New Hampshire Food Bank distributes food to local authorized pantries at deeply discounted prices and sometimes for free. This partnership has helped us keep our pantry well-stocked on a regular basis.

help keep our pantry stocked.

Colby-Sawyer College: Since 2014, we have been a beneficiary of the Colby-Sawyer College Feed the Freezer Program. Volunteers package up meals of various sizes provided by the college's food service, Sodexo, and distribute them to area food pantries for the families using those pantries. The meals are all prepared in the college's commercial kitchen and include heating instructions. Our pantry families are very happy to have the additional meal option. We are very grateful for the support from the College and the students in the Feed the Freezer Club.

**Benjamin F. Edwards:** Benjamin Edwards shreds documents for the public once a year for free, asking only for a donation of food to the Food Pantry. The Food Pantry receives

hundreds of pounds of food as well as monetary donations from this event to help keep our pantry stocked.

We have also benefitted from substantial food drives from the Boy Scouts, Kearsarge Regional Schools (Middle School and New London Elementary), Windy Hill School, Clarke's Hardware, Lake Sunapee Bank, Auto Advisors in Springfield, and local congregations.

#### **Outreach Programs**

One of our most important outreach efforts is our school nurse program. Each semester the Food Pantry provides area school nurses with snack foods and beverages such as crackers, fruit, string cheese, soups, granola bars, and ginger ale for children in need of extra nourishment during the school day. We also provide families with additional breakfast and lunch food items while the children are on vacation from school under our summer meal program.

In addition, children's books are available for free on a year-round basis in the Food Pantry. Families are encouraged to take books for their children, and the children are thrilled that they can keep the books.

During the winter, we regularly provide warm mittens, hats, gloves, scarves, socks, coats, and winter apparel for families. Before the school year begins, in coordination with the First Baptist Church, we make available backpacks for children so they have supplies for the upcoming school year.

We are extremely grateful to all the individual and organization donations, volunteer time, and the free use of space for the Pantry from the First Baptist Church of New London. We could not provide these needed programs without such support. Since we began operation in 2009, the KLS Community Food Pantry has served a total of 31,602 people in 9,568 household visits to the pantry. In 2016 we saw the largest increase in one- and two-person families; these totaled 54% of the families coming to the pantry. Many of these are senior citizens.

Large five- to nine-person fami-

lies who need help stretching their budgets represented almost 25% of households served and leave the pantry with many bags full of healthy food and items of daily living. There is no question that we continue to serve a significant need in the region.

#### **How to Donate**

Drop off non-perishable food such as canned fruit, soup, peanut butter,

and cereal at the First Baptist Church Monday through Thursday from 8 AM until 3:30 PM, and Fridays from 8 AM until noon. The Food Pantry is a 501(c)(3) public charity, so you can make a tax-deductible donation to KLS Community Food Pantry, PO Box 536, New London NH 03257.



#### **KLS COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY - HOUSEHOLDS SERVED**

Town	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Andover	24	118	76	118	144	107	60	63
Bradford	99	192	149	82	105	162	106	91
Danbury		5	20	118	113	73	105	116
New London	227	392	269	141	136	217	180	266
Newbury	67	146	162	173	189	137	109	82
Salisbury					16	32	11	12
Springfield	83	41	64	130	95	84	159	161
Sunapee	85	120	243	202	102	108	132	100
Sutton	62	70	108	60	62	83	90	52
Warner	99	126	204	189	161	171	208	217
Wilmot	17	38	82	43	41	76	57	28
Other	28	14	19	7	4	20	7	6
<b>Total Households</b>	791	1,262	1,396	1,263	1,168	1,270	1,224	1,194
Total People	2,546	4,097	4,666	4,240	4,127	4,292	4,011	3,623



Kids on their bikes, with moms looking on, in 1958. Photo: Vic Phelps

#### **LAKE SUNAPEE VNA & HOSPICE**



January 2017

#### Dear Friends:

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, personal care and community health programs in Andover. Our Mission to provide care for individuals and families in home and community settings and enable people to stay in their homes for as long as possible is at the heart of all we do and stronger than ever: in 2016 we acquired the staff and services of Connecticut Valley Home Care (formerly a division of Valley Regional Health Care), further expanding our service area and the number of residents needing our services. Even with this growth our Board of Directors remains committed, to the best of our ability, to serve those in need regardless of insurance coverage or financial circumstances. I am proud to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2016, LSRVNA served Andover in the following ways:

- Provided 851 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 41 residents;
- Provided free or reduced fee in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to residents. Visits were also provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 60% of visit costs);
- Residents receive visits through our hospice program and were able to spend their last days at home. Their families are provided 14 months of bereavement support and counseling after the death of their loved, at no cost;
- Over 55 residents utilized our foot care, flu and blood pressure clinics as well as parent child, bereavement and other support groups.

Our talented staff are dedicated not only to individual health and well-being, but to fostering community support and involvement which empowers residents to help their friends and neighbors. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any way we may be of service to you, your loved ones or your Town's residents. Our vision to be the leading provider of home care services in the region, to be the best place to work and volunteer, and to remain an adaptive and enduring presence is only possible with support and confidence such as yours. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jim Culhane President & CEO

#### **TOWN MEETING MINUTES 2016**

March 8, 2016

Meeting was brought to order by Moderator Dan Coolidge at 7:10 PM. Flag Salute was led by Jim Delaney.

Mr. Coolidge introduced the Selectmen: Jim Delaney and Vicky Mischon; legal adviser Matt Serge; and Town Administrator Marj Roy. On his left were Arch Weathers, Wendy Pinkam, Mary Ann Levesque, and Ed Hiller from the Budget Committee. Joanna Sumner, Town Clerk, kept the minutes.

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year (by ballot during polling hours).

#### **Selectman**

David Blinn

1 year term ends in 2017 Victoria Mischon

3 year term ends in 2019

#### **Road Agent**

John Thompson

2 year term ends in 2018

#### **Town Moderator**

Dan Coolidge

2 year term ends in 2018

#### **Town Treasurer**

Shirley Currier

2 year term ends in 2018

#### **Town Clerk/Tax Collector**

Joanna Sumner

3 year term ends in 2019

#### **Supervisor of the Checklist**

Janet Splan

6 year term ends in 2022

#### **Budget Committee**

Mary Ann Levesque

3 year term ends in 2019

Ed Hiller

3 year term ends in 2019

Nancy Teach

2 year term ends in 2018

#### **Library Trustee**

Janet Moore

3 year term ends in 2019

Susan Chase

3 year term ends in 2019

#### **Trustee of Trust Funds**

Alex Estin

3 year term ends in 2019

#### **Cemetery Trustee**

Patricia Cutter

1 year term ends in 2017

#### **School Board**

Annie Mackenzie

3 year term ends in 2019

Dean Barker

3 year term ends in 2019

#### **School Moderator**

Elizabeth Paine

1 year term ends in 2017

#### **School Clerk**

Christie Coll

1 year term ends in 2017

#### **School Treasurer**

**Shirley Currier** 

1 year term ends in 2017

It was recommended that the Moderator bring Article 11 before the meeting to be discussed first.

Moved by Vicky Mishcon; second by Marj Roy; passed by a show of hands.

However for this record, I will leave Article 11 in numerical order.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,612,904 for the general municipal operations. This appropriation does not include appropriations that are voted for the other articles. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

Moved by Arch Weathers; second by Jim Delaney.

Arch Weathers presented the budget. Ed Hiller spoke on the impact of the budget. Said that our tax rate would go up \$1.20 per thousand.

Discussion followed by line item.

crease in Town Clerk budget. Marj explained that part of that increase is because this year we have four elections.

Tax Collector's office: Toby ques-

Toby Locke questioned \$2,000 in-

Tax Collector's office: Toby questioned office expenses. Marj answered that printers and other costs that were covered by the State are now the responsibility of the Town.

Wood Sutton asked to have the tax anticipation fees moved to this section; second by Robert Richardson; did not carry.

Planning and Zoning: Toby Locke asked for explanation of Administrative Assistant for \$14,000. Nancy Teach explained the need for a professional assistant on the Board who would be available to the public for advice and questions. Part time, 20 hours a week, approximately \$13.00 an hour.

Highway Budget: Karen Brule asked about Lawrence Street Bridge not appearing in this year's budget. Marj assured her that the bridge is safe.

Toby Locke questioned the Beaver Deceiver purchase. John Thompson explained how helpful they are and the cost saving.

Lynn George questioned why we were making the two new part-time employees full-time. She said that we were assured last year that it would stay a part-time job.

John Thompson said that this was not part of last year's agreement. Many spoke up in support of putting the two men on full-time and paying benefits.

Chuck Keyser asked if this would become a full-time position. Marj said that is not in the plan.

Toby Locke questioned the building budget. Wanted to know what we were building. Vicky Mischon replied that after the energy audit, lots of areas surfaced that needed insula-

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tion, ventilation, and other repairs.

Greg Stetson questioned the custodian cost. Marj explained that the custodian would be filling a position in the Town Office, the Library, and the Police Station.

Chuck Keyser questioned the cemetery costs. The Selectmen explained that there was no budget for them last year, so it is difficult to compare. Herbie Barton asked about cost of repairing stones. It was explained that this is part of perpetual care.

Transfer Station: Herbie Barton suggested that we discontinue Single Stream Recycling and go back to our own recycling. Wanted to remove \$8,000 line item. Marj explained that we are only seeing the cost. We are not seeing the amount on the revenue side.

Andy Guptill moved that we remove \$6,943 from Transfer Station budget; second by Herbie Barton. Dan Coolidge called for a vote on the amendment; amendment did not carry.

Dan Coolidge called for a vote on Article 2.

#### Article 2 passed.

Greg Stetson moved to restrict reconsideration; second by Paul Currier; Dan Coolidge called for a vote; to restrict reconsideration of Article 2 passed.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$262,976 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds (CRF) as follows:

Revaluation	10,479
Ambulance	25,000
Highway Equipment	10,000
Highway Special Projects	150,000
Police Cruiser	7,500
Transfer Station	10,000
Bridge Rehab	50,000

The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

Moved by Arch Weathers; second

by Paul Currier; no discussion.

Article 3 passed by a show of hands.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to add to the following established Expendable Trust Funds per RSA 31:19-a.

Forest Fire Labor	5,000
Town Buildings	10,000
Technology	5,000

Moved by Mary Ann Levesque; second by Wendy Pinkham; no discussion.

**Article 4 passed** by a show of hands.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year lease for a Ford F550 forestry truck in the amount of \$47,066 and further to raise and appropriate \$15,687 for the first year's payment. No lease will be entered into without an escape clause. The Selectmen recommend this article. This article is contingent on Article 6.

Moved by Brad Hardie; second by Greg Stetson.

Arch Weathers presented article for the Budget Committee. Jim Delaney explained safety issues and diminished cost by using this smaller truck as compared to taking out the big fire trucks.

Herbie Barton asked how many forest fires Andover has had. Steve Barton said we had four this past year. Some of the firefighters have to bring their own pickup trucks to drive into the woods with equipment. He also explained other uses for the truck.

Toby Locke moved that we consider the two articles together; second by Donald Clendenen; Dan Coolidge called for a vote to consider both Article 5 and Article 6 together; to consider both Article 5 and 6 together passed.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$33,160 for the purchase of equipment to outfit the forestry truck with the components necessary for forest fire suppression. The Selectmen recommend this article. This article is contingent on Article 5.

Mr. Terwilliger asked what happens after the three-year lease is up.

Mari replied that we have an option

Marj replied that we have an option for a buyout.

Arch Weathers clarified that we are approving \$15,687 for this year's expenditure plus \$33,160 for outfitting the vehicle. For three years, the lease will total \$47,066.

Dan Coolidge called for a vote.

Article 5 and Article 6 passed by a show of hands.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000 to outfit the 1990 Ford L8000 truck, sold to the Town for the sum of \$1.00 by the Fire Department, with road maintenance equipment. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

Todd Goings questioned why the Fire Department sold the truck for \$1.00 when they had received an offer of \$5,000. John Thompson said the offer was withdrawn. His men have the equipment and the knowledge to refit the truck.

Herbie Barton asked why we didn't just buy Marceau's dump truck for \$10,000. John Thompson said that it does not have all the functions this truck will have after refitting.

Dan Coolidge called for a vote.

**Article 7 passed** by a show of hands. Andy Guptill moved to restrict reconsideration; second by Chuck Keyser; to restrict reconsideration passed.

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25,000 to replace the shingled roof on the Town Office and Andover Public Library building. This project will go through the bid process as defined in the Town of Andover Procurement Policy. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

It was moved by Mr. Terwilliger to change the wording to say "to replace the shingled roof with a standing seam metal roof"; second by Toby Locke; to amend Article 8 passed.

Paul Currier moved that we vote on Article 8 as amended; second by Wendy Pinkham; Dan Coolidge called for a vote on Article 8 as amended.

**Article 8 passed as amended** by a show of hands.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Morrill Hill Road Bridge Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for replacement of the Morrill Hill Road Bridge and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$179,888 to be placed in this fund. Said funds will come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds were previously raised through taxation. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

Moved by Jim Delaney; second by Arch Weathers; Dan Coolidge called for a vote on Article 9.

**Article 9 passed** by a show of hands.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to enter into a twenty-five (25) year lease with the Andover Snowmobile Club for the lease of a

portion of the land at White Oak Pit, known as Map 2, Lot 007-358. The Club wishes to build an equipment building/small meeting hall. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moved by Mark Stetson; second by Herbie Barton.

Mark Stetson moved to amend the article to read Map 12, Lot 007-358; second by Herbie Barton; to amend Article 10 passed.

Dan Coolidge called for a vote on Article 10 as amended.

Article 10 passed as amended.

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the town will vote to adopt the Proposed Noise Ordinance.

Moved by Vicky Mischon; second by Marj Roy.

Chief Laramie presented the noise ordinance and explained that what we have now is unenforceable. Bill Keyser, Todd Adams, Becky Dobretz, Andy Guptill, Carla Levesque, and Jeff Miller spoke against the ordinance. Wood Sutton asked to have Chief Laramie explain its purpose one more time.

Chief Laramie said that if he had to use the state law, he would be charging people with disorderly conduct for things like squealing tires. Disorderly conduct is a crime that goes on a person's permanent record and also takes three points off a driver's license. He didn't think the penalty fit the crime. He feels that we need to have something that he can enforce and that will fit the crime.

Dan Coolidge called for a vote on Article 11.

Article 11 was defeated by a

show of hands.

**ARTICLE 12:** We the undersigned voters of the Town of Andover, New Hampshire hereby petition under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 39:3 for the Selectmen of said town to add to the warrant of the 2016 annual meeting the following article, "To see if the town will vote under the provisions of RSA 41:14a and/or RSA 41:14c to instruct the Selectmen to enter into good faith negotiations to purchase a certain tract of land and any buildings or structures etc. thereon located at 43 Salisbury Hwy in the Town of Andover, County of Merrimack, State of New Hampshire; Tax Map 12, Lot 000078, Sub Lot 00043 for any future needs of the town, and to authorize the Selectmen to expend an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to complete this transaction." This is a petitioned warrant article.

Article 12 withdrawn, as property has been sold.

Dan Coolidge asked that Article 12 be tabled. Marj Roy moved; second by Jim Delaney.

Article 12 tabled.

**ARTICLE 13:** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. No one brought any further business forward.

Vicky Mischon moved to close the meeting. Second by Jim Delaney. Meeting ended at 10:28 PM.

Operating Budget: 1,612,904 Warrant Articles: 566,711 Total Budget: 2,179,615



#### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

The 2016 audit was not complete as of press time. Selected portions of the 2015 audit follow:



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Andover as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Andover as of December 31, 2015, the respective changes in financial position, and the budgetary comparison for the major general fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1-P to the financial statements, in 2015 the Town changed its method of accounting for pension reporting with the adoption of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, and as amended by Statement No. 71 Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68. Our opinions are not modified with respect to these matters.

Management's Discussion and Analysis - Management has omitted a Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Requires Supplementary Information – Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability (page 30) and the Schedule of Town Contributions (page 31) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers them to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express and opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information - Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Andover's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

October 31, 2016





A 1776 Flag float in 1978.

Photo: C. Wein

#### EXHIBIT C-1 TOWN OF ANDOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet December 31, 2015

	General	Gov	Other ernmental Funds	G:	Total overnmental Funds
ASSETS			. = 0 0 /		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,010,648	\$	179,816	\$	2,190,464
Investments	-		91,563		91,563
Taxes receivable	389,376		-		389,376
Intergovernmental receivable	-		70,467		70,467
Interfund receivable	105,154		13,155		118,309
Tax deeded property, subject to resale Restricted assets:	38,954				38,954
Cash and cash equivalents	749,663		-		749,663
Investments	15,979		_		15,979
Total assets	\$ 3,309,774	\$	355,001	\$	3,664,775
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	\$ 81,499	\$	-	\$	81,499
Accrued salaries and benefits	7,954		_		7,954
Intergovernmental payable	1,621,185		-		1,621,185
Interfund payable	13,155		105,154		118,309
Total liabilities	1,723,793		105,154		1,828,947
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable revenue - Property taxes	48,703		<u> </u>		48,703
FUND BALANCES					
Nonspendable	38,954		13,217		52,171
Restricted	31,229		131,522		162,751
Committed	541,370		105,108		646,478
Unassigned	925,725				925,725
Total fund balances	1,537,278		249,847		1.787.125
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$ 3,309,774	\$	355,001	\$	3.664.775

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



The Blackwater Grange's float in the 1980s.

Photo: C. Wein

#### ANDOVER FIRE DISTRICT 1 MEETING MINUTES 2016

March 16, 2016

The annual meeting of the Andover Fire District No. 1 was held on March 16, 2016. Moderator Mark Stetson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the report of the last meeting.

A motion was made by Andy Guptill and seconded by John Kinney that the minutes of the 2015 annual District Meeting be accepted as published in the Town Report. The motion was approved unanimously.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the report of the treasurer, auditor, commissioners, and fire chief.

A motion was made by Brenda Lance to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the 2015 Andover Town Report, and seconded by Andy Guptill. Motion passed unanimously.

Ed Hiller, auditor, read a statement indicating that he had conducted an audit of the accounts and found them to be in good order. A copy of said statement will be placed on file. A motion was made by John Kinney and seconded by Andy Guptill to accept the auditor's report as filed. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Andy Guptill reported that the delivery of the new piece of equipment should take place by June 1. There has been no money borrowed as of yet in order to save on interest fees. He also indicated that the merger of the two departments has been great. A motion to accept the Commissioner's report was made by Les Fenton and seconded by John Kinney. Motion passed unanimously.

Chief Rene Lefebrve reported that it has been a rough year dealing with

the tragedies on some of their calls. He, too, indicated the merger of the two departments has gone well, and the team members have been very supportive of each other. They have purchased a radio for the new truck, the station has been cleaned, and there is lots of room at the station due to two trucks being sold. They have reduced duplication of equipment, so it is saving the town money.

John Kinney asked if it was time to discuss moving the ambulance to the Main Street station, and discussion ensued as to what would be needed before that could happen. Among other things, a lock would need to be purchased for the door to the EMS office so that private documents would be secure.

John Kinney moved to accept the Chief's report, and Andy Guptill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**ARTICLE 3:** To elect the necessary officers for the ensuing term.

John Kinney nominated Andy Guptill to continue as Commissioner and was seconded by Les Fenton. Motion passed unanimously.

Andy Guptill nominated Fred Lance as clerk/treasurer, seconded by John Kinney. Motion passed unanimously.

Andy Guptill nominated Mark Stetson as moderator, seconded by John Kinney. Motion passed unanimously.

Les Fenton raised the question of whether we now elect or appoint an auditor. Andy indicated that the auditor was appointed based on the decision of the commissioners.

Mark Stetson indicated that the DRA has changed the form and process for preparing an audit and asked

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the auditor, Ed Hiller, his recommendation as to whether they should hire a firm to conduct it or appoint someone.

Ed responded that he was not a resident of this District, so he could not be elected, but he can be appointed. There was no further discussion on the matter at this time.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the district will vote to authorize the Commissioners to sell dated and unused fire equipment. The funds will be given to the treasurer for deposit in the District account.

Motion was made to accept by Les Fenton and seconded by Andy Guptill.

John Kinney asked what was being sold. Rene responded that portable pumps, hose, strobe lights, and various other outdated equipment was being sold. The article was intended to make sure the fire department has the town's permission to sell this equipment and account for the money received. Article passed unanimously.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,015 as the operating budget for Andover Fire District 1 with \$1,623 to come from the unassigned fund balance resulting in an estimated \$70,392 to be raised by taxes. This fund balance is comprised of:

- (1) the unexpended 2015 operating budget of \$311
- (2) the additional district taxes received of \$646
- (3) \$350 in additional income from the sale of parts off Engine 4
- (4) \$301 of extra capital reserve interest

(5) \$14 of bank interest

John Kinney moved the article, and it was seconded by Andy Guptill. There was no discussion, and the article passed unanimously.

**ARTICLE 6:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hearing none, John Kinney moved to adjourn, seconded by Andy

Guptill. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

#### EAST ANDOVER FIRE PRECINCT MEETING MINUTES 2016

March 15, 2016

The annual meeting of the East Andover Fire Precinct was held on March 15, 2016. Moderator JoAnn Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose the necessary officers for the ensuing term: Moderator for one year; Clerk for one year; Treasurer for one year; Auditor for one year; Commissioner for three years. Greg Stetson asked if the moderator would like each one done individually or if she preferred a slate of officers. She indicated she would like it done individually.

Greg Stetson nominated JoAnn Hicks as moderator, seconded by Jeff Miller. Motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Greg Stetson ex-

Commissioner Greg Stetson explained that the purpose of Article 4 was to retain the same Clerk/Treasurer for both districts as this greatly simplifies the budgeting, bill paying, and state reporting processes as the departments have merged. As Fred Lance, the current clerk/treasurer for both departments, lives in the Andover district he cannot be elected in the East Andover district. There were no nominations for the clerk or treasurer positions.

Greg Stetson nominated Ed Hiller as auditor, seconded by Jeff Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Greg Stetson nominated Glenn Haley as Commissioner for three years, and Wyman Ordway nominated Lloyd Perreault as Commissioner. Rene Lefebvre read the resume submitted by Lloyd Perreault, and it was placed on file. Glenn Haley was elected Commissioner by a vote of 8 to 2.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the report of the treasurer, auditor, commissioners, and fire chief. The treasurer's report was printed in the Town Report.

Ed Hiller, auditor, read a statement indicating that he had conducted an audit of the accounts and found them to be in good order. A copy of said statement will be placed on file.

Commissioner Greg Stetson indicated that the budget has increased minimally, and he was pleased with the outcome of the merger of the two departments. They are operating well as one department.

Chief Rene Lefebvre reported that it has been a trying year as they have dealt with some difficult calls. The team/department is viewed as professional by outside personnel (medical examiner, police, etc.) The department is healthy, and he also indicated the merger is going well.

He reported that the town approved the forestry truck purchase at Town Meeting, and he is also excited for the delivery of the new truck, which should arrive by June 1.

He reported that they have gone through the federal grant process requesting \$180,000 to replace air packs that will be too old to be insured within the next year.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,050 as the operating budget for East Andover Fire Precinct with \$5,100 to come from the unassigned fund balance resulting in an estimated \$53,950 to be raised by taxes. This fund balance is composed of:

- (1) unexpended 2015 operating budget of \$4,385
- (2) additional district taxes received of \$714
  - (3) bank interest received of \$1

Glenn Haley moved to approve the budget, seconded by Greg Stetson. Motion passed unanimously.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Precinct will vote under the provisions of RSA 41:26-e to change the manner in which the clerk/treasurer is selected from elected to appointed by the Board of Commissioners. This will not take effect until 2017. Jeff Miller moved the article, seconded by Greg Stetson. Motion passed unanimously.

**ARTICLE 5:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Jeff Miller moved to recognize Mark Thompson for his many years of service to the East Andover Fire Department as a fire-fighter, chief, and as a retiring commissioner, seconded by Joann Hicks.

Motion to adjourn by Glenn Haley, seconded by Steve Barton. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.



#### ANDOVER VILLAGE DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES 2016

March 14, 2016

Acting Moderator Joseph Vercellotti called the meeting to order on March 14, 2016 at 7 PM. The following is a summary.

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the report of the last annual meeting. The minutes of the March 16, 2015 meeting were read and accepted.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the reports of the commissioners, treasurer, and auditor. The commissioners gave a brief summary of the work accomplished in 2015. An additional commissioner is needed.

A letter was received from the Andover Lions Club requesting a water hook-up at the old fire station on Poplar Street. The control panel at the water tank above Proctor Academy which communicates the tank levels between the tanks needs repair.

The treasurers' report was read and accepted. Douglas Martin is currently working on a review of the 2015 financials.

**ARTICLE 3:** To elect the necessary officers for the ensuing year:

- Commissioner for three years: Vacant
- Clerk / Treasurer for three years: Toby nominated Lisa Meier, Joseph seconded the motion, and the motion was accepted.
- Moderator for one year: Vacant

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the district will vote to accept and expend any federal and/or state grants received by the district. Accepted

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the district will vote to accept water rents totaling an estimated \$65,000.00 to be billed at a gallonage rate with a user fee. Accepted.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to

the Andover Village District Capital Reserve Account previously established. Accepted

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the district will accept the budget of \$63,020.00 as recommended by the commissioners and presented by the budget committee and to raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the budget. Accepted.

**ARTICLE 8:** To transact any further business that may legally come before this meeting. Toby asked if there was a reader at the Blackwater Park. Howard responded that there is one on the new building; however, the post where the original meter has been was run over and the reader was removed. Toby will look in to getting a new reader.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.



Sack races on the Village Green in 1985.

Photo: C. Wein

## **BIRTHS**

# **DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

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## RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT 01/01/2016-12/31/2016

## --ANDOVER--

Child's Name STONE, GREYSON TYLER	<b>Birth Date</b> 01/13/2016	<b>Birth Place</b> LEBANON,NH	Father's/Partner's Name STONE, MICHAEL	<b>Mother's Name</b> BROWN, LEAH
KIDDER, RAVENA JANE	03/15/2016	MANCHESTER, NH	KIDDER, SCOTT	BODWELL, JENNY
BICKFORD, CHARLES CORBIN	04/21/2016	LEBANON,NH	BICKFORD, CHARLES	BICKFORD, CHRISTINE
CONNOR, JACK ALAN	04/27/2016	CONCORD,NH	CONNOR JR, JEFFREY	CHEVARIE, MELISSA
CLOUTIER, NEELY ROSE	05/28/2016	CONCORD,NH	CLOUTIER, CHRISTOPHER	CLOUTIER, JESSICA
GEORGE, AZALEA BRISTOL	07/14/2016	CONCORD,NH	GEORGE, CORY	HARRIS, CHANTELLE
GRANT, LUNA CATHERINE	09/14/2016	CONCORD,NH	GRANT, DAVID	GRANT, KRISTEN
MARLEY V, LESLIE RICHARD	09/17/2016	LEBANON, NH	MARLEY IV, LESLIE	PARKES, TALIA
LUICHA, AXEL ELLIS	10/12/2016	CONCORD,NH	LUICHA, ELISHA	LUICHA, ALEXIS

Total number of records 10

SANBORN, KARENA

SANBORN, MICHAEL

LEBANON,NH

10/28/2016

The state only provides information on children born in New Hampshire to Andover residents and whose parents gave permission for the information to be published.

2/1/2017

SANBORN, LINCOLN MICHAEL

# **MARRIAGES**

2/1/2017

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	DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION	<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	The state only provides information	es information
	RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT	REPORT	on Andover residents who registered	who registered
	01/01/2016 - 12/31/2016	:016	in New Hampshire and who gave	d who gave
	ANDOVER		permission for the information to be published.	rmation to be
Person A's Name and Residence JENNISON, DERREK A ANDOVER, NH	Person B's Name and Residence YOUNG, STEPHANIE E ANDOVER, NH	Town of Issuance ANDOVER	Place of Marriage ANDOVER	Date of Marriage 01/09/2016
BISHOP, JAMES E WILMOT, NH	COTA, KRYSTAL L ANDOVER, NH	WILMOT	WILMOT	02/13/2016
CALDERARO, GABRIELLE A ANDOVER, NH	GUPTILL, ANDREW P ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	ANDOVER	06/09/2016
NGUYEN, KARENA V ANDOVER, NH	SANBORN, MICHAEL T ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	ANDOVER	06/10/2016
COFFEY, PATRICK J ANDOVER, NH	DOTCHIN, CHRISTINA E ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	MANCHESTER	06/23/2016
HOLDSWORTH IV, LAWRENCE C ANDOVER, NH	WOOD, HEIDI J ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	ANDOVER	07/16/2016
SULLIVAN, LAUREN A EAST ANDOVER, NH	JUSTICE, ADAM T EAST ANDOVER, NH	NEW LONDON	RINDGE	07/23/2016
CHELLA, STEPHEN M ANDOVER, NH	LAFONTAINE, LEATRICE M ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	РЕГНАМ	08/05/2016
JONES, JEFFREY D ANDOVER, NH	LAPLANTE, ALISON J LACONIA, NH	ANDOVER	WEBSTER	09/17/2016
SANBORN, PETER T ANDOVER, NH	BARTON, ANNA M ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	ANDOVER	09/24/2016
COREY JR, ARTHUR R ANDOVER, NH	NADEAU, JACQUELINE L ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	ANDOVER	10/07/2016

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# RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2016 - 12/31/2016

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Person A's Name and Residence BYRD, JOCELYN F BOSCAWEN, NH	Person B's Name and Residence THEODORE, THERON M EAST ANDOVER, NH	Town of Issuance BOSCAWEN	Place of Marriage HENNIKER	Date of Marriage 11/04/2016
PARADIS ADAMS, LISA J ANDOVER, NH	KACZMARSKI JR, JOSEPH R ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	JACKSON	11/10/2016
CAMPBELL, JAMES A ANDOVER, NH	WESOJA, MARIE A ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	CLAREMONT	11/13/2016
CLARK, STUART B ANDOVER, NH	CLARK, ELAINE M ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	CONCORD	11/28/2016
ROY, CLEO R ANDOVER, NH	LIPNICKAS, GLORIA M ANDOVER, NH	ANDOVER	ANDOVER	12/10/2016

Total number of records 16

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# **DEATHS**

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT 01/01/2016 - 01/01/2017 --ANDOVER, NH --

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Decedent's Name KUCHINSKY, DANIEL	<b>Death Date</b> 01/01/2016	Death Place ANDOVER	Father's/Parent's Name KUCHINSKY, GEORGE	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union MORIN, SALLY	Military Z
HEATH, KENNETH	01/01/2016	BOSCAWEN	HEATH, EVERETT	POWERS, DOROTHY	z
GROSS, DONALD	01/07/2016	ANDOVER	GROSS, JOHN	PEITZ, JOAN	z
BENTLEY, ROBERT	01/09/2016	ANDOVER	BENTLEY, NORMAN	SEVERANCE, MURIEL	z
LOVELESS, WENONA	01/15/2016	ANDOVER	HARDING, WAYNE	VON DREDEN, NANCY	z
MICKLE, SHARON	02/15/2016	EAST ANDOVER	WARD, CHARLES	FITZGERALD, BETTE	z
GOVE JR, RALPH	03/22/2016	CONCORD	GOVE SR, RALPH	CLARKE, FLORENCE	>-
REED, JOHN	05/12/2016	CONCORD	DROZDEK, STEFAN	UNKNOWN, EVA	<b>&gt;</b>
BOURBEAU, CHARLES	05/26/2016	DOVER	BOURBEAU, THEODORE	ROCK, FANNY	<b>&gt;</b>
MAKECHNIE, HEATHER	06/07/2016	CONCORD	BOURQUE, ALFRED	HAMMOND, ALICE	z
LANSDOWN-POWERS, AUNDREA	07/13/2016	ANDOVER	LANSDOWN, CLAY	SCHWERTFEGER, LEILA	z
FROST, TIMOTHY	07/26/2016	LACONIA	FROST, ATHERTON	CARGILL, EULA	<b>&gt;</b>
BERNIER, ALLAN	08/25/2016	MANCHESTER	BERNIER, LEO	GRAVELINE, EFFIE	z
MUNDY, PATRICIA	11/10/2016	ANDOVER	MUNDY, TASKER	UNKNOWN, DORIS	z
DAVIS, CYNTHIA	11/25/2016	CONCORD	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	RAMSEY, DOROTHY	z
SHAW, YVETTE	12/22/2016	CONCORD	LEFEBVRE, JOSEPH	SYLVESTRE, AURORE	z

#### TOWN COMMITTEE MEETINGS

At the Town Hall unless otherwise noted

#### **Cemetery Trustees**

1st Monday, 7 PM, Andover Library

#### **Conservation Commission**

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

#### **Emergency Medical Services**

2nd Wednesday, 7 PM, East Andover Fire Station

#### **Fire Department**

Every Monday, 7 PM, Andover Fire Station

#### **Fourth of July Committee**

1st Wednesday, 7 PM, Andover Fire Station

#### **Library Trustees**

3rd Thursday (except July and August), 7 PM Andover Library or Bachelder Library

#### **Planning Board**

2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7 PM

#### **Recreation Committee**

2nd Tuesday, 7 PM, AE/MS

#### **School Board**

1st Tuesday (except July), 6:30 PM, AE/MS

#### Select Board

1st & 3rd Monday, 6:30 PM

#### **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

3rd Tuesday, 7 PM

For more information, call the Town Office at 735-5332.

To pay your property tax bill, motor vehicle renewal, or dog license renewal online, visit Andover.NH.us.

#### **TOWNOFFICEHOURS**

TOWN OFFICE: Mon-Thu, 9-2
Fridays by appointment only

#### **TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR:**

Direct line: 735-5018
Mon , Wed, & Thu, 9-2
Tue, 1:30-6:30
Last Saturday of month, 9-11
(except on long holiday weekends)

**BUILDING INSPECTOR:** Tues, 6-7

#### TRANSFER STATION:

Wed, 7–5 (7–6 during Daylight Time) Sat. 7–5

#### **SWAP EVENT (May-Oct):**

2nd Sat (rain date: 3rd Sat) Transfer Station, 8-2

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#### LIBRARY HOURS

#### ANDOVER LIBRARY

Mon, 6:30-8:30 ANDOVER Wed, 9-12 & 6:30-8:30 FOURTH Sat, 10-12

#### **BACHELDER LIBRARY**

Tues, 9-12:30 & 6:30-8:30 Thu, 3-5 & 6:30-8:30 Fri, 1:30-5

BOTH LIBRARIES: 735-5333

### TOWN MEETINGS 2017

School District - March 6, 7 PM, AE/MS
Voting - March 14, 11 AM to 7 PM, AE/MS
Town Meeting - March 14, 7 PM, AE/MS
Village District - March 20, 7 PM, Town Hall
East Andover Fire Precinct - March 21, 7 PM, EAFD
Andover Fire District - March 22, 7 PM, AFD