ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE

GROTON NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1992

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TOWN OFFICERS December 31, 1992 Moderator Geoffrey A. Gannon 1994 Selectmen Norman Blanchette Michael Ethier Laurence C. Pilvelis 1994 1993 1995 Town Clerk/Tax Collector Jean W. Griffin 1995 Road Agent Treasurer Secretary to Selectmen Trish M. Lundberg Lewis J. Albert Anita Andrews 1993 1993 Police Chief Health Officer Harold T. Reilly Andrew O. Lundberg Welfare Officers Trustee of Trust Funds Andrew O. Lundberg 1993 Selectmen Librarian Jean W. Griffin Library Trustees Joyce Tolman Barry Nelson Melissa Putnam 1993 1993 1993 Fire Warden Tony Albert Deputy Wardens Edward N. Smith Gary Steel Peter Bailey Supervisors of the Checklist Diane M. S. Cunningham Yvonne Stevens Shirley Willey 1994 1996 1998 Planning Board Michael Lemieux Andrew O. Lundberg Norman Blanchette 1993 1995 Ex Officio

SELECTMEN'S LETTER

Our region of New Hampshire is still feeling the effects of the recession despite some favorable news coming out of Washington. The high hopes we held for the new administration do not seem to bode well for many of our senior citizens with the announcement of a possible reduction in Costof-Living adjustments in Social Security benefits and increased taxes on gasoline and numerous other items.

The 1992 property tax bills reflected increases in all areas as follows:

School		Town	n	Cour	ity
1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
\$11.17	\$12.58	\$3.98	\$4.36	\$1.03	\$1.05
Increase of 12	.6%	Increase	of 9.5%	Increase	of 2.0%

The increase in the "Town" portion of the tax rate was primarily due to the transfer station construction and the acquisition of the land behind the Selectmen's Office and Library. However, the new transfer station design will return over \$20,000 in savings in 1993. As usual, the "School" increase was a "Whopper" with another expected in 1993 due to projected increases in administrative costs and teacher salaries and benefits. The Board again strongly recommends that Groton Residents attend the school meeting on Saturday, March 20, 1993 at 1:00 p.m. No dramatic effect is anticipated in the "County" portion of the 1993 tax bill.

The Selectmen heeded the advice of experts and have instituted a two-payment system for property taxes beginning in June of 1993. This move will save the town considerable money by reducing the interest on money customarily borrowed in anticipation of taxes in the past. Additional areas which are currently being examined to reduce the tax burden of residential property owners include a possible increase in the assessed value of power transmission lines and a re-evaluation of Current Use property assessments of large commercial land owners.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to assure each and every citizen of Groton that they shall continue to work diligently in exploring all areas which may provide cost savings for the Town while obtaining the maximum in services and facilities and holding the line on taxes.

Respectfully,

Selectmen, Town of Groton

Michael Ethier, Chairman Norman Blanchette Laurence C. Pilvelis

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT FOR 1993 ANNUAL MEETING OF TOWN OF GROTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at North Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next, polls to be open at eleven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening for voting on Article 1, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant at six o'clock in the evening.

<u>ARTICLE 1</u>: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$282,450.00 for the anticipated expenses of the Town for the ensuing year as follows:

General Government Public Safety Cruiser Purchase Highways, Streets and Bridges Sanitation Health Welfare Culture and Recreation Debt Service, Interest Expense Operating Transfers Out Town Insurance Updating Tax Maps Social Security and Medicare Tax	\$ $\begin{array}{c} 44,610.00\\ 22,915.00\\ 6,000.00\\ 79,600.00\\ 23,060.00\\ 2,824.00\\ 2,824.00\\ 2,168.00\\ 3,000.00\\ 2,000.00\\ 10,000.00\\ 1,500.00\\ 4,500.00\\ \end{array}$
Operating Transfers Out	2,000.00
Updating Tax Maps	1,500.00
Social Security and Medicare Tax	4,500.00
Land Purchase	8,500.00
Computer Purchase	2,000.00
Building Addition, Septic System and Well	20,000.00
Backhoe Purchase	30,000.00
Utilities Re-evaluation	 13,000.00

Total Appropriations \$282,450.00

<u>ARTICLE 3</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,610.00 for General Government Expenses anticipated to be as follows:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 16,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	13,500.00
Election and Registration	860.00
Cemeteries	1,400.00
General Government Buildings	4,000.00
Reappraisal of Properties	4,000.00
Planning Board	150.00
Legal Expenses	4,100.00
Regional Associations	 600.00

\$ 44,610.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,915.00 for Public Safety Expenses anticipated to be as follows:

Police Department	\$ 15,315.00
Fire Department	7,600.00

\$ 22,915.00

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 toward the purchase of a used cruiser, \$2,500.00 to be raised by taxes and \$3,500.00 to be withdraw from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, with any unexpended funds to remain in the Capital Reserve Fund.

\$ 6,000.00

\$ 23,060.00

HIGHWAYS, STREETS AND BRIDGES

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<u>ARTICLE 6</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$79,600.00 for Highway Department Expenses anticipated to be as follows:

Cown Maintenance General Highway Expense General Road Repair Street Lighting		40,000.00 4,000.00 35,000.00 600.00
Highways, Streets and Bridges	\$	79,600.00
Highway Block Grant		14,400.00
To be Raised by Taxes	<u>\$</u>	65,200.00

SANITATION

<u>ARTICLE 7</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,060.00 for the anticipated expenses related to the operation of the solid waste disposal system as follows:

Disposal	\$ 15,250.00
Metal Disposal	1,000.00
Attendant	6,500.00
Lighting and Telephone	310.00

HEALTH

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,773.00 for the anticipated Health-related expenses to be as follows:

Pemi-Baker Youth and Family Services	\$	170.00
Pemi-Baker Home Health		1,353.00
Ambulance Service		3,360.00
Speare Memorial Hospital		1,000.00
Domestic and Sexual Violence		500.00
New Hampshire Humane Society		300.00
American Red Cross		90.00
	Ş	6,773.00

WELFARE

<u>ARTICLE 9</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,824.00 for the anticipated Welfare-related expenses to be as follows:

General Town Welfare	\$ 2,000.00
Tri-County Community Action	368.00
Grafton County Senior Citizens	156.00
Lakes Region Community Services	 300.00

\$ 2,824.00

CULTURE AND RECREATION

<u>ARTICLE 10</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,168.00 for the anticipated Culture and Recreation expenses to be as follows:

Bristol Community Center	\$ 568.00
Groton Free Public Library	1,500.00
Groton-Hebron Ball Park	 100.00

\$ 2,168.00

DEBT SERVICE

<u>ARTICLE 11</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the anticipated interest expense.

\$ 3,000.00

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

MISCELLANEOUS

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the anticipated expenses of Town Insurance.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for continued updating of the Town tax maps.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 as the Town's share of Social Security and Medicare Tax.

<u>ARTICLE 16</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 to purchase the land abutting the Town House to allow for expansion of the Rolfe Hill Cemetery.

<u>ARTICLE 17</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to purchase a computer for the Selectmen's Office. ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for an addition to the Selectmen's Office, septic system and well.

<u>ARTICLE 19</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for the purchase of a used backhoe.

<u>ARTICLE 20</u>: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,000.00 for re-evaluation of all public utility property in the Town of Groton and Tenney Mountain property.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to make the following changes in renumeration of the combined office of Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

A salary of \$200.00/week and the Town keeps all the fees, to begin April 1, 1993, pursuant to RSA 41:33.

<u>ARTICLE 22</u>: (By petition) To see if the Town will vote to allow the use of Town sand by residents on privately owned property in Groton to be spread by mechanical means.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept any gifts.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell by sealed bid or auction any real estate acquired by the Town through a Tax Collector's Deed.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

A true copy of the Warrant-attest:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF GROTON

Michael Ethier, Chairman

Miner E. Remetary Norman Blanchette

Laurence C. Pilvelis

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF	GROTON	N.H.	
Approp	ppriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1993 to December 31, 1993 or for	or Fiscal Year	
From	19 to	19	
Date	_22 February 1993		
	Michael Ethier, Chairman Norman Blanchette Manon 3. Security		

R.S.A., Chap. 31, Sect. 95. Immediately upon the close of the fiscal year the budget committee in towns where such committees exist, otherwise the selectmen, shall prepare a budget on blanks prescribed by the Department of Revenue Administration. Such budget shall be posted with the town warrant and shall be printed in the town report at least one week before the date of the town meeting.

Laurence C. Pilvelis - C. Pilelin

SELECTMEN (PLEASE SIGN IN INK)

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION Acct. (RSA 31:4)	W.A.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
No. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	No.	By DRA (omit cents)	(omit cents)	(omit cents)
		14,000	\$15,024	\$16,000
4130 Executive 4140 Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	3	2,500	2,167	860
4140 Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics 4150 Financial Administration	3/17	10,500	10,879	15,500
	3/20	2,000	2,621	17,000
			2,226	4,100
4153 Legal Expense	15	500	3,192	4,500
4155 Personnel Administration	3	5,000	65	4,500
4191 Planning and Zoning	3	150	2,656	4,000
4194 General Government Building		4,000		1,400
4195 Cemeteries	3	1,000	336	10,000
4196 Insurance	13	12,000	8,639	600
4197 Advertising and Regional Associations	3	800	500	600
	110	1 000	hand	1,500
Update Tax Maps	14	1,000	encumbered	1,500
4199 Other General Government Misc.	_		295	
PUBLIC SAFETY		1.0.00	1.0.000	15 015
4210 Police	4	13,000	16,977	15,315
4215 Ambulance	8	3,200	3,563	3,360
4220 Fire	4	7,500	6,575	7,600
4211 Police Cruiser	5			6,000
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HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
4312 Highways and Streets		38,000	43,755	40,000
4313 Bridges				
4316 Street Lighting		600	553	600
4314 General Highway Expense	1	3,000		4,000
4315 General Road Repair				35,000
SANITATION				
4323 Solid Waste Collection				
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	7	75,000	31,912	23,060
4325 Dump Site Closure		29,000	310	28,690encumb
4326 Transfer Station				43,000encumb
WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT				
4332 Water Services				
4335 Water Treatment				
HEALTH				
4414 Pest Control	8	300	300	300
4415 Health Agencies and Hospitals	8	2,890	2,888	3,113
WELFARE				
4442 Direct Assistance	9	2,000	1,611	2,000
4444 Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	9	785	785	824
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	-	-	-	016 700
Sub-Totals (carry to top of page 3)		228,725	157,829	216,782

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Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	W.A. No.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA (omit cents)	Actual Expenditures Prior Year (omit cents)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (omit cents)
	Sub-Totals (from page 2)		228,725	157,829	216,782
	CULTURE AND RECREATION				
4520	Parks and Recreation	10	750	750	568
4550	Library	10	1,200	1,200	1,500
4583	Patriotic Purposes				
	Hebron-Groton Ball Park	10	100	102	100
	CONSERVATION				
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources				
	REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING				
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				
	DEBT SERVICE				
4711	PrincLong Term Bonds & Notes				
	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes			_	
4723	Interest on TAN	11	13,000	9,502	3,000
	CAPITAL OUTLAY				-
100	the second s	16	12,000	12,000	8,500
	Land Purchase Backhoe Purchase	19	12,000	12,000	30,000
	3 Addition to Office	18			20,000
490		10			20,000
	OPERATING TRANSFERS	-			
4914	To Proprietary Funds:				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds:				
	Highway Truck	12	1,000	1,000	2,000
	Cruiser		2,500	2,500	
4916	To Trust and Agency Funds:				
	(RSA 31:19-a)				
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		259,275	184,883	282,450

Acct.	W.A.	Amt.
4150	3	13,500
4150	1/	2,000
4152	3	4,000
4152	20	13,000
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Acct. W.A. Amt.

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	SOURCE OF REVENUE		*ESTIMATED REVENUE Prior Year	ACTUAL REVENUE Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE Ensuing Fiscal				
Acct. No.	TAXES	W.A. No.	(omit cents)	(omit cents)	Year (omit cents)				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		0	0	0				
3180	Resident Taxes		0	0	0				
3185	Yield Taxes		12,000	11,445	11,500				
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		•						
	Other Taxes								
	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		10,000	16,235	16,000				
	Inventory Penalties								
	LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES								
	Business Licenses and Permits								
	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		23,000	22,704	23,000				
	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		1,350	1,201	1,200				
	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT								
	ERON OTATE			[
	FROM STATE		2 400	2 400	2 40.9				
	Shared Revenue		2,408	2,408	2,408				
	Highway Block Grant		13,405	13,484	14,469				
	Water Pollution Grants State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		929	929					
					900				
	Flood Control Reimbursement		2,542	2,542	6 000				
	Other-Rented Equipment FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT		7,000	6,778	6,000				
	Intergovernmental Revenues CHARGES FOR SERVICES								
	Income from Departments		1 700	1 216	2 000				
			1,700	4,216	3,000				
	Other Charges MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES								
	Sale of Municipal Property								
	Interest on Investments								
	Other - Gifts		150	150	150				
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS FROM		150_	150	150				
	Proprietary Funds								
	Sewer								
	Water								
	Electric								
	Capital Reserve Fund Cruiser			1	3,500				
	Trustee Given in Error			5,096	5/500				
	Dump Closure (Funds encumbe	red)	29,000						
3916	Trust and Agency Funds								
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		······						
	Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bonds			1					
	Fund Balance:								
	Items Voted from Surplus		11,000						
	Remainder of Surplus								
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		\$114,562	\$87,188	\$82,127				
`E	nter in this column the numbers which were revised and a	approved b	y DRA and which appear o						
То	tal Appropriations			282,450					
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes 82,127									
An	nount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of So	chool an	d County Taxes)	200,323					
	BUDGET OF THE				_, N.H.				
	THIS BUDGET SHALL BE	POS	TED WITH T	THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT					

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1992 TAX RATE COMPUTATION BY DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE TOWN	OF GROTON
Appropriations: 259,275 Less: Revenues: (114,562) Add: Overlay 3,101 War Service Credits: 2,700	
Subtotal 150,514 Less: Shared Revenue Return to Town (1,915)	
Approved Town Tax Effort Municipal Tax Rate	148,599 4.36
School Portion	
Due to Local School District 0 Due to Regional School District 430,960	
Subtotal 430,960 Less: Shared Revenue Returned to Town (2,232)	
Approved School Tax Effort School Tax Rate	428,728 12.58
County Portion	
Due to County 36,216 Less: Shared Revenue Returned to Town (380)	
Approved County Tax Effort County Tax Rate	35,836
COMBINED TAX R	ATE <u>17.99</u>
Commitment Analysis	
Total Property Taxes Assessed Less: War Service Credits Add: Village District Commitment(s)	613,163 (2,700) 0
Total Property Tax Commitment	
Proof of Rate	
Not Assocsed Valuation Tax Pato	Accecement

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
34,083,547	17.99	613,163

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1992 - December 31, 1992

1992 Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$22,704.00
1992 Transfer Station Stickers	640.00
1993 Transfer Station Stickers	3.00
1992 Dog Licenses	449.00
Dog Fines	50.00
Filing Fees	11.00
Marriage License	33.00
Copier Machine	.20
Bad Check Charge	15.00
Total Revenue From Town Clerk	\$23,905.20

TAX C	COLLECTOR'	S	REPORT
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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1992

Fiscal	iear Ended I	Jecember 31,	1992	
	DEBIT	rs		
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	: <u>1992</u>	1991	1990	1989
Property Taxes		141,498.92	24,268.37	17,008.47
Taxes Committed: Property Taxes Yield Tax Bad Check Charge		986.19 12,106.95 2.00		
Overpayments: Property Taxes	323.22	3,728.86 64.61		
Interest Collected Delinquent Tax Yield Tax	d: 	5,591.01	3,289.35	4,629.47
TOTAL DEBITS	611,451.22	163,981.89	27,557.72	21,637.94
	CRED	ITS		
Remitted to Treas	urer:			
Property Taxes	459,417.55		13,145.26	15,332.67
Yield Tax Interest Interest Yield	1.00	11,444.92 5,591.01 3.35	3,289.35	4,629.47
Abatements Made:				
Property Taxes Yield Tax		5,128.59 355.25	916.25	1,213.69
Overpayment Deeded to Town Bad Check Charg	.30 e	64.61 2.00	355.67	462.11
Uncollected Taxes End of Year:				
Property Taxes Yield Tax	149.707.05	306.58	9,851.19	
TOTAL CREDITS	611,451.22	163,981.89	27,557.72	21,637.94

Summary of Tax Sale/Tax Lien Accourt	nts	
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	DEBITS		
	1991	1990	1989
Balance of Unredeen Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:	ned	24,268.37	17,008.47
Liens Sold or Executed During Fiscal Year:	81,960.45		
Interest Collected Lien Execution:	1,938.91	2,921.35	4,007.97
Collected Redemption Costs:	781.50	368.00	621.50
TOTAL DEBITS	84,680.86	27,557.72	21,637.94
	CREDITS		
Remittance to Trea During Fiscal Year			
Redemptions	37,046.74	13,145.26	15,332.67
Interest & Costs Lien Execution	2,720.41	3,289.35	4,629.47
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	1,812.92	916.25	1,213.69
Unredeemed Taxes Deeded to Town	517.92	355.67	462.11
Unredeemed Taxes on Liens	42,582.87	9,851.19	- <u></u>

Respectfully submitted,

Jean W. Griffin Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jean W. Griffin - Tax Collector:	
1991 Property Tax 1991 Property Tax Interest	\$141,085.58 5,591.01
1992 Property Tax 1992 Property Tax Interest Taxes Redeemed	442,454.88 1.00 65,524.57
Taxes Redeemed Interest 1992 Yield Tax	10,639.53 11,444.92 3.35
1992 Yield Tax Interest Overpayment of Property Tax Bad Check Charges	64.91 2.00
Total Revenue from Tax Collector	\$676.811.75
Jean W. Griffin - Town Clerk:	
1992 Motor Vehicle Permits 1992 Dog Licenses 1992 Dump Stickers 1992 Filing Fees Copier Machine Bad Check Charges Marriage Licenses Dog Fines	\$ 22,704.00 449.00 643.00 11.00 .20 15.00 33.00 50.00
Total Revenue From Town Clerk	\$ 23,905.20
State of New Hampshire:	
Rented Equipment Shared Revenue Flood Money Highway Block Grant State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	\$ 6,777.60 6,941.00 2,542.00 13,483.56 928.78
Total Revenue From State of New Hampshire	\$ 30,672.94
Pemigewasset National Bank: Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	\$345,000.00
Total Revenue From Loans	\$345,000.00
<u>Gifts</u> :	
Longyear Foundation (Mary Baker Eddie House) Longyear Foundation (to Police Department)	\$ 100.00 50.00
Total Revenue from Gifts	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
Planning Board:	
Subdivisions	\$ 73.80
Total Revenue From Planning Board	\$ 73.80

Health Officer:		
Sewage Permit	\$	5.00
Total Revenue From Health Officer	<u>ş</u>	5.00
Police Department:		
Plymouth District Court		136.96
Parking Fines		50.00
Police Reports and Pictures		23.00
Police Expenses Incurred With Hebron Departmen	.t	220.61
Total Revenue From Police Department	Ş	430.57
Selectmen and Treasurer:		
Overpayment Lakes Region Fire Dispatch	Ş	9.15
Refund Copier Machine, Conway Office Products		18.27
Checklist Sold to Michael Hannahan		12.00
Transfer From Trustee Given in Error		5,096.17
Ballots Recounted		10.00
Overpayment 1991 Audit 189		1,555.00
NHMA Insurance Dividend		464.43
NHMA Interest Return		10.00
Building Permits		11.00
Pistol permits		88.00
Current Use applications		130.00
York Rake Rental		125.00
IRS 941E Form Refund		1,273.36
Total Revenue From Selectmen and Treasurer	<u>\$</u>	8,802.38
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE 1992	\$1 , 0	85,851.64
Plus: Balance 1/1/92		18,245.23
Less: Expenditures 1992	\$1,C	38,627.99
1/1/93	\$	65,468.88

Town Officers' Salaries:		
Jean W. Griffin	\$	10,009.48
Stephen Lindsey		300.00
Dawn Ashley Lemieux		375.00 1,425.00
Michael Ethier Diane M. S. Cunningham		250.00
Dick Clancy		115.00
Norman Blanchette		900.00
Laurence C. Pilvelis		900.00
Anita Andrews		750.00
	\$	15,024.48
Election and Registration:		
		94.20
White Mountain Publishers		433.66
Diane M. S. Cunningham		125.00
Geoffrey Gannon Andrew O. Lundberg		100.00
Evelyn Martin		175.00
Anita Andrews		50.00
Chester Blinstrub		125.00
Virginia Hikel		125.00
Theo Drolet		125.00 125.00
Mae Blake		75.00
Carol McAfee		247.00
Yvonne Stevens The Pennysaver, Inc.		10.40
E. Hebron Postmaster		9.60
Nelda Frisch		100.00
Beatrice Fligg		50.00
Melissa Putnam		50.00
Shirley Willey		222.50
	\$	2,167.36
Financial Administration:		
Jean W. Griffin		3,317.17
Carol A. Elliott		349.40
Postmaster-E. Hebron		486.50
Printing Facilities		412.09
Clay's Office Products		192.69
New Hampshire Tax Collectors Association		35.00
Wheeler and Clark		37.86 111.70
The Pennysaver, Inc.		79.56
Viking Office Products White Mountain Publishers		74.73
The Homestead Press		117.55
Trish M. Lundberg		1,565.14
Webster and Spencer		225.00
Campton Printing and Design		48.25
Kwik Print		520.61 233.42
Laurence C. Pilvelis		869.49
Dick Clancy Data East		55.98
Xerox Corporation		1,375.00
New Hampshire State Library		1.00
New Hampshire City and Town Clerks Associa	tion	20.00
The Balsams		150.00
Andrew O. Lundberg		25.00

Financial Administration (continued)		
Bristol Postmaster James Ashworth Loring, Short and Harmon	\$	204.00 367.25 5.00
	\$	10,879.39
Revaluation of Property:		
Ralph J. Cutting New Hampshire Municipal Association	\$	2,561.00 60.00
	\$	2,621.00
Legal Expense:		
Plymouth Jurisdictional Association Crean Law Office	Ş	666.67 1,559.54
	Ş	2,226.21
Personnel Administration:		
Social Security and Medicare Tax	\$	3,191.87
Planning Board:		
Trish M. Lundberg Catherine E. Hahn	\$	13.74 50.90
	\$	64.64
General Government Building:		
Mike Ethier Excavating Yeaton Oil Co., Inc.	\$	20.00 1,206.21
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. New England Telephone		522.99 542.20
Governor's Commission on Disability Jean Blanchette		15.00 50.00
Laurence C. Pilvelis		115.85
Jean W. Griffin James Parris		16.86 35.00
King Forest Industries A. M. Rand		80.50 12.35
Trish M. Lundberg		39.18
	\$	2,656.14
Cemeteries:		
Lewis J. Albert John Kolomick	\$	140.00 108.00
Maurice Drolet		88.00
	\$	336.00
Insurance:	<u>,</u>	004 50
Cotsibas Compensation Funds of New Hampshire	\$	234.50 2,441.42
New Hampshire Municipal Association		5,963.00
	Ş	8,638.92
Advertising and Regional Associations:	<u>^</u>	500.00
New Hampshire Municipal Association	Ş	500.00

Tax Map Update:		
Funds encumbered as work is still in process, \$	1,000	0.00.
Other General Government:		
Miscellaneous	Ş	294.85
Police Department:		
Sue Ann Williamson	Ş	1,015.00
Hugh McAfee		673.00 5,073.08
Anthony Ricciotti New Hampshire Department of Transportation		742.91
Town of Alexandria		50.00
Oliver Photo		12.44 109.72
Wilson Tire MPH Industries		182.35
Lily Pond Communications		180.00
New England Telephone		1,234.60
Grafton County Sherriff Harold T. Reilly		1,449.50 3,434.20
Ernest Parmenter		484.07
SAS Auto Parts		71.58
Ernie's Ammo		463.75 45.52
AT & T Robert Bacon		40.00
Department of Safety		20.00
Cantara's		259.51
Shortt's Treasurer, State of New Hampshire		547.16 220.30
Douglas R. Dutile		93.00
Laurence C. Pilvelis		47.77
Perfecta Camera		128.72 29.00
Postmaster Bristol Postmaster E. Hebron		11.25
State of New Hampshire, Department of Transporta	ation	74.30
Clay's Office Products		7.10
William White Skip's Cup Shop		27.00 49.85
Skip's Gun Shop Twin Rivers EMS		200.00
	Ş	16,976.68
Ambulance:		
Town of Plymouth	Ş	3,425.73
Town of Rumney		137.00
	Ş	3,562.73
Fire Department:		
Rumney Fire Department	Ş	1,211.00
Town of Hebron IRA/COM		3,777.39 147.94
Lakes Regional Mutual Aid Association		1,438.29
	Ş	6,574.62

Highways and Streets:

Winter Maintenance:		
Lewis J. Albert Maurice Drolet Mark Madden Mike Ethier Excavating Shortt's Garage John Kolomick TLC Tree and Crane Service AKZO New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. Yeaton Oil Co., Inc. Big A Plymouth Howard P. Fairfield WEK, Inc. E.T. & H.K. Ide Lakeside Construction Arthur Whitcomb Eastern Rental & Supply C. R. McLoud & Sons	\$	6,257.00 3,275.00 2,882.50 1,537.00 100.00 88.00 3,843.10 7,400.52 539.69 1,033.93 267.65 1,457.96 345.00 344.04 927.50 660.87 89.75 84.50
	\$	31,134.01
Summer Maintenance:		
Lewis J. Albert Maurice Drolet TLC Tree and Crane Service Yeaton Oil Co., Inc. New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. burtco John Kolomick Robert Braley King Forest Industries Big A Plymouth Mike Ethier Excavating Mark Madden Lakeside Construction E.T. & H.K. Ide	Ş	$\begin{array}{c} 3,255.00\\ 1,032.00\\ 3,072.50\\ 285.13\\ 44.59\\ 1,428.25\\ 120.00\\ 216.00\\ 684.25\\ 24.88\\ 2,120.00\\ 64.00\\ 197.50\\ 76.50\end{array}$
	\$	12,620.60
Total Winter and Summer Maintenance	\$	43,754.61
General Highway Expense: TLC Tree and Crane Service Howard P. Fairfield Wilson Tire Maurice Drolet M&M Equipment Big A Plymouth Dean H. Yeaton	\$ \$	402.50 79.30 47.00 211.00 3,484.17 99.73 882.20 5,205.90
Street Lighting:	Ŷ	2,202.00
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.	\$	553.47

Solid Waste Disposal:		
Alfred Bourque Newfound Rubbish Disposal Lewis J. Albert TLC Tree and Crane Service Barnard Survey Associates Citizen Publishing Salvation Disposal John Kolomick The Pennysaver, Inc. Trish M. Lundberg Michael Ethier Paul Adams Laurence C. Pilvelis Sitework Expense: Michael Ethier	\$	4,064.00 10,985.00 1,047.50 1,700.00 140.00 120.38 5,206.99 80.00 80.50 25.00 65.00 1,440.00 125.79 987.00
Equipment Expense: Salvation Disposal		5,845.00
(Encumbered \$43,000.00)		
	\$	31,912.16
Dump Site Closure: Lewis J. Albert Mike Ethier Excavating TLC Tree and Crane Service	\$	100.00 130.00 80.00
(Encumbered 28,690.00)	\$	310.00
Pest Control:		
New Hampshire Humane Society	\$	300.00
Health Agencies and Hospitals:		
Pemi-Baker Youth and Family Services Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency Speare Memorial Hospital Task Force Against Domestic and Sexual Violence American Red Cross	\$ @\$	50.00 1,348.32 1,000.00 400.00 90.00 2,888.32
Welfare:		
Direct Assistance	\$	1,611.16
Intergovernmental Welfare Payments: Grafton County Senior Citizens Tri-County Community Action Lakes Region Community Services		150.00 335.00 300.00
Culture and Descriptions	\$	785.00
Culture and Recreation:		750.00
Bristol Community Center Groton Free Public Library Hebron-Groton Ball Field		1,200.00 101.50
	\$	2,051.50
Newfound Area School District:	\$	379,465.50
Federal Tax Withholding:	\$	12,919.71
Abatements:	ş	3,686.45
Tax Liens:	\$	81,960.26

Land Purchase:		\$	12,000.00
County Tax:		\$	36,216.00
Loans in Anticipation of	Taxes (TAN):	\$	345,000.00
Interest Expense on TAN:		\$	9,502.03
Capital Outlay:			
Highway Truck Fund Cruiser		\$	1,000.00 2,500.00
		\$	3,500.00
	TOTAL	\$1	,049,336.96
	Less Actual Withholding		10,708.97
	GRAND TOTAL	\$1	,038,627.99

Discounts Taken: \$141.06

February 25, 1992

Board of Selectmen:

All books and accounts of the Town Officers' were examined.

The Treasurer's book balance was reconciled with the Cash Book balance.

The Town Clerk's accounts were checked.

The Warrants given to the Tax Collector were checked against payments received.

The Report of Town Audit was filed with the State of New Hampshire State Tax Commission as required by Law.

SUSAN W. SPENCER Webster and Spencer, Inc. Plymouth, New Hampshire 03264

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTIES

GROTON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT 1992

The Library has had a few changes in the past year and we are open more hours throughout the week. Please come in and see how nice, warm and cheerful it is. We want to thank everyone who donated during the year and especially to our Book and Bake Sale which made the children's Halloween and Christmas parties a success. The Children's Activity Hour was held every other week from June to September and the first Saturday into December. There was an average of 16 children every week. The children enjoyed planning both their parties and also decorated the Christmas tree outside the Library for all to enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Joyce Tolman Melissa Putnam Barry Nelson

This year, through S.C.A.P., we welcomed Mae Blake as Assistant Librarian. We have re-catalogued the Library and have the following materials:

Reference Room:

One Set Encyclopedia One Set Encyclopedia Law Books Historical Books Adult Fiction Adult Paperbacks Adult Non-Fiction Biographies Junior Fiction Junior Fiction Easy Readers Old Books Not to be <u>Magazines</u> :	Dictionary Taken From Library Total <u>Magazines Donated</u> :	24 60 806 161 330 229 644 235 430 <u>383</u> <u>3,302</u>
Yankee Better Homes Reader's Digest Workbasket Remanisee	Free China Forest News Premier	
Prevention	Total	8
V.C.R. Tapes:	Total	31
Record of Services:		
Adult Junior Easy Magazines		171 149 214 222

Record of Serv	<u>ices</u> (co	ontinued):	:	
V.C.R. V.C.R. Tapes Paperbacks				2 141 3
	Total	Services	Rendered	992

The Library wishes to thank everyone for their donations and support in the past year. Library Hours are posted and in the event of severe storms or emergencies, we close without advance notice. The V.C.R. is available for \$5.00 per week and a \$5.00 fine if not returned; once every three weeks to the same family. Children seven years and under are to have adult supervision. The Library is open to the public on days that a Librarian is present. We have had to make some drastic changes as the Library has lost 189 books, some of which have been lost or destroyed by registrants of the Library, but for the most part have just disappeared.

We thank you for your cooperation and are still looking for suggestions to be of better service to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean W. Griffin Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Payments	January	1,	1992	-	December	31,	1992	

Librarian Services	\$1,246.00
Post Office Box 121 Rental	7.25
Bank Service Charge	40.68
Halloween and Christmas Parties	112.48
Library Supplies	60.00
V.C.R. Cleaning and Repair	61.50
Yeaton Oil	79.95
Videos, Books & Subscriptions	193.88
H.H.L.T.A. Dues	20.00
Total Expenses	\$1,821.74
Balance on Hand January 1, 1992	\$ 569.99
Plus Town Appropriation	1,200.00
Plus Trustees Book, Bake and Food Sale	288.45
Total Income	\$2,058.44
Less Expenses	1,821.74
Balance on Hand December 31, 1992	\$ 236.70

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Summary of Expenses:

Postage Registry of Deeds	Total	\$16.64 48.00 \$64.64
Summary of Revenues:		
Subdivison Fees		\$73.80

Fellow Citizens:

The past year saw only one resident subdivision, and this in Groton Hollow. One new lot was created.

The Planning Board would like to extend its thanks for a job well done to Michael Lemieux. He has served on the Board since 1987 and in the capacity of Secretary since 1988. He now wishes to step down.

The Newfound Lake Watershed Planning Committee is nearing completion of its management plan. The regional survey has been analyzed and the major chapters of the plan have been roughed out. The Committee is looking forward to completing the plan this year.

Respectfully submitted,

THE PLANNING BOARD

Andrew O. Lundberg Michael Lemieux Norman Blanchette, Ex-Officio

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

Summary of Revenues:

Sewage Permit

\$5.00

This past year the Health Officer processed and monitored five new applications and completed documentation of four construction approvals. Four new septic systems have been approved for operation in 1992.

In addition, the sewage permit has become part of the Town's building permit and carries a fee of \$5.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew O. Lundberg Health Officer

GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT 1992

There were over 253 calls received on the Groton police phone this past year. Below is a partial listing of the calls and the types the Police Department responded to.

Nature/Type of Call	Number of Calls
Accidents Alarms	10 2 2 1
Arson/Fire	2
Assaults	10
Burglary	15
Civil Matters	
Criminal Mischief	1
Criminal Trespass	7 4 7
Disturbances/Persons	6
Disturbances/Vehicles	22
Dogs/Animals	11
Domestic Violence	12
House Checks	
Inquiries/Information	49
Juvenile Matters	5 1 3
Lost Property	1
Missing Persons	
Motor Vehicle	19
Notifications/Messages	19
Pistol Permits	7
Rape/Sexual Assaults	2
Thefts	3
Shooting Complaints	7 2 3 2 1
Warrants	
Miscellaneous	33
Total Calls From 1/1/92 - 12/31/92	253

I wish to thank the members of the Groton Police Department for their dedication to the Department and the people of Groton for their support this past year. We have tried to provide the best services within our resources.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Harold T. Reilly, Sr.

Officers: Anthony Ricciotti William White STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION



Report of Trust and Capital Reserve Funds

City/Town ____ GROTON

For the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 19 92

or

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 19 _____

CERTIFICATE

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

Andrew O. Lundberg

(Please sign in ink and also print/type clearly)

Trustees of Trust Funds

When To File: (R.S.A. 21-J:18)

1. For Towns reporting on a calendar year basis, this report must be on file on or before March 1st.

2. For Towns reporting on an optional fiscal year basis (FY ending June 30), this report must be filed on or before September 1st.

Where To File:

ONE COPY TO: DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION 61 SOUTH SPRING STREET - P.O. BOX 457 CONCORD, N.H. 03302-0457 ONE COPY TO: OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL CHARITABLE TRUST DIVISION STATE HOUSE ANNEX CONCORD, N.H 03301-6397

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NAME OF TRUST FUND List first those trusts Invested in a common trust fund	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED Whether bank, deposits, stocks, bonds, etc. (If Common trust, so state)	%	Balance Baginning Year		New Funds Created	(or
5002712123	North Groton Cemetery Fund	Savings		498	93		
2452571		Savings Pemi			0		
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2452589	Fund	l Savings Pemi			0		
5005443723	George Hall Fund	Savings		215	77		
2452597	George Hall Fund	Savings Pemi			0		
5005366123	Cyrus Blood Fund	Savings		106	71		
2452605	Cyrus Blood Fund	Savings Pemi			0		
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS							
2445609	Truck/ Sander	Savings Pemi		10,789	86		
2445591	Dump Site	Savings Pemi		29,094	55		
99003428400	Cruiser	CD		1,078	69		
2445617	Cruiser	Savings		5,067	31		
0210650300	Roof Fund	CD		3,374	98		
11053808	Roof Fund	CD			0		
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herefore, all accounts moved to the Pemi. ruiser (\$2,500) Funds.

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER, DECEMBER 1992

1992 was below average for wildfires reported in our State. Our largest fire was in May in Rumney where a suspicious origin fire burned approximately 150 acres with a total cost of approximately \$30,000. The NH Division of Forests and Lands assisted many other communities in wildland fire suppression as well.

Our fire lookout towers reported 189 fires, burning a total of 136 acres. Our major causes of fires were fires kindled without a permit, unknown causes and children.

Please help your town and state forest fire officials with fire prevention. New Hampshire State Law (RSA 224:27) requires that, "No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or burn or cause to be burned any material in the open, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done." Violation of this statute is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or a year in jail and you are liable for all fire suppression costs.

Local fire departments are responsible for suppressing fires. The small average fire size of .47 acre/fire is a tribute to early detection by the public or our fire tower system and the quick response of our trained local fire departments. Please help your Warden and fire department by requesting aned obtaining a fire permit <u>before</u> kindling an open fire.

The NH Division of Forest and Lands assisted 28 towns with a total of \$20,000 in 50/50 cost share grants for fire fighter safety items and wildland suppression equipment in 1992.

If you have any questions regarding New Hampshire forest fire laws, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden, State Forest Ranger, or Division of Forests and Lands at 271-2217.

Forest Fire Statistics 1992 for Town of <u>Groton</u>

	State	District
Number of Fires	289	41
Acres Burned	136	182

John Q. Ricard Forest Ranger Tony Albert Forest Fire Warden

For fire permits and information call: 744-2836 or 786-9381.

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' 1992 REPORT TO TOWNS

Grafton County has continued to operate in a financially cost-effective manner. We are pleased that the \$13.5 million budget adopted in late June showed a modest 3.45% increase.

While the county property tax increased to \$6.1 million after two years of decreases, the average annual county tax increase since 1989 has been less than 3%. Under state law, \$3.5 million or 58% of the county tax dollars collected from Grafton County taxpayers in 1992 were sent to Concord to pay the county share of state assistance programs (Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Disabled, Medicaid/Nursing Assistance, and Services for Children and Youth).

The Grafton County Nursing Home has continued to offer high quality medical, nursing and support services to approximately 120 elderly and infirm residents while meeting the stricter federal Medicaid mandates imposed in 1991. The Special Needs Unit for individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and similar illnesses, opened last year, has been especially well received by residents, families and staff. During 1993 the County plans to expand the unit from 11 to 32 beds.

The County Department of Corrections saw a 15% increase in inmates over the past year. Drug forfeiture funds from the Attorney General's Office have enabled the department to increase and coordinate drug and alcohol abuse reduction programs with the goal of decreasing the number of repeat offenders.

Again during 1992 the County Farm generated a modest operating surplus, providing work opportunities for County Corrections inmates and supplying meat and vegetables for the Nursing Home and Jail. For the second year the Farm also produced potatoes for the local food pantries throughout the County.

The Commissioners, Sheriff and Assistant Sheriff implemented the second phase of a 3-year plan to ensure that subscribers pay the full cost of telephone answering services provided by the County Dispatch Center. The County also replaced the radio repeater on Cannon Mountain in order to upgrade law enforcement communications throughout Grafton County.

During 1992 the County distributed over \$78,836.00 in state Incentive Funds to local programs that prevent out-of-home placements of troubled children and youth. The County has also continued to provide Youth and Family mediation services available free-of-charge in Lebanon, Littleton and Plymouth areas.

Looking ahead to the late 1990's and beyond, the Commissioners initiated Long Range Planning as part of the annual budget process. A committee of county officials has been charged with recommending plans for addressing the needs of the county and state offices now housed at the Courthouse.

Commissioners' 1992 Report (continued)

The County sponsored a Community Development Block Grant for the AHEAD Agency in Littleton, a non-profit housing development organization. Funds are being used to purchase and rehabilitate multifamily rental housing units for the benefit of low- and moderate-income households in the northern part of Grafton County.

During 1992 the Commissioners continued efforts to inform county residents about county government, encouraging tours of county facilities and holding information sessions for local officials and other groups.

The Grafton County Board of Commissioners hold regular weekly meetings on Tuesdays (note the change from Thursdays) at 9:00 a.m. at the Administration Building on Route 10 in North Haverhill. All meetings are open to the public and we encourage attendance by public and the press. Please call the Commissioners' Office at 787-6941 for further information or to request a speaker or our slide show on county government for school and civic groups.

In closing we wish to express our sincere appreciation to local officials, agencies and the public for cooperating in our efforts to serve the citizens of Grafton County.

Respectfully submitted,

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Betty Jo Taffe, Chairman Gerard J. Zeiller, Vice Chairman Raymond S. Burton, Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS 1992

The following is all that has been reported to the Town Clerk:

Births:

In Plymouth, New Hampshire, David Elnathan Bates, Jr., son of Lora Jean and David Elnathan Bates, Sr., July 20, 1992.

Marriages:

In Groton, by Douglas Rasp, Justice of the Peace, Robert Patrick Watson and Sharon Gay Hayes, June 19, 1992.

Deaths:

In Plymouth, July 7, 1992, Harold Schweitzer.

Not reported to the Town Clerk:

October 15, 1992 - Richard P. Adams November 22, 1992 - Alfred R. Bourque

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ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF GROTON

Since April 1, 1985 the Town of Groton has been a member of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association. This means that Lakes Region Dispatch Center is handling all calls for **FIRE** and **MEDICAL EMERGENCY (Ambulance)** and dispatching the proper emergency service for your area of town.

If you are reporting a **FIRE, ACCIDENT or MEDICAL EMERGENCY CALL 524-1545** (in the 786 exchange call 1-524-1545). This is the fastest way for you to get the help you need when you need it!







GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

744-3703

OR

