

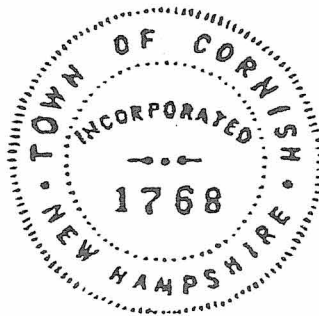
250th Annual
REPORT



CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the year ending December 31, 2016

250th
Annual Report
of the
Selectmen
and other
Town Officers



Cornish
New Hampshire
Year Ending December 31, 2016

NOTICE

DOG & CAT OWNERS:

- **All Dogs over three months of age must be licensed by May 1st.**
- Failure to license subjects owners to a fine of \$50.00 plus \$1.00 per month after June 1st. It's the law.
- Legal Rates: Male/ Female - \$9.00, Neutered/Spayed \$6.50
- Owner over 65, \$2.00 for first dog, regular rates for additional dogs.
- **State Law requires all dogs to be vaccinated against Rabies.**
- Rabies certificates are required for licensing.
- **New Hampshire RSA 466 - Owners are liable for free running dogs.**
Penalties are severe.

NEW CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATIONS:

- The Town requires permits for new construction or exterior alterations to any building. If in doubt, check first with the Selectmen.

TO THOSE OPERATING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS:

- RSA 438-A State Dredge & Fill applications must be filed with the Town Clerk before beginning work. Fines may be assessed for noncompliance.

MUNICIPAL REMINDERS

Deadlines:

Property Tax Abatements.....	December Billing to March 1
Current Use Applications.....	April 15
Exemption/Tax Credits.....	April 15
Property Tax Due Date.....	July 1 and December 1
Vehicle Registration.....	Birth Month of Applicant

**Please be sure to let the Town Office know when you
change your address.**

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TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Town Clerk – 3 years
Paula Harthan (2019)
Reigh Sweetser, Deputy

Town Treasurer – 1 year
Heidi Jaarsma (2017)
William Caterino, Deputy

Moderator – 2 years
Gwyn Gallagher (2018)

Selectmen – 3 years
Scott Baker (2019)
John Hammond (2018)
Dale Lawrence (2017)

Tax Collector – 1 year
Reigh Sweetser (2017)
Paula Harthan, Deputy

Sexton – 1 year
Tom Spaulding (2017)

Supervisors of Checklist – 6 years
Robin Monette (2022)
Ruth Rollins (2018)
Leland Atwood (2020)

Trustees of Trust Funds – 3 years
Jeff Proehl (2019)
Heather Meeks (2018)
Richard Simons (2017)

Trustees of George H Stowell Library – 3 years
Kathryn Patterson (2019)
Richard Scheuer (2017)
Kate Freeland

General Assistance & Senior Resources -
1 year
Pam Annis (2017)
Marie Durusha, Assistant

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Highway Agent
Wayne Gray – By Selectmen

Fire Chief – by Selectmen – 3 years
Robert Rice (2017)

Police Officers – by Selectmen
E. Douglas Hackett, Chief
Corey Stevens, Sgt
Eric Brann

Planning Board - by Selectmen – 3 years
Bill Lipfert, Chairman (2017) – 13 yrs
Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary (2018) – 16 yrs
Gail McKenzie, (2019) – 17 yrs
Scott Baker for Selectmen Ex Officio – 4 yrs
Jay Young (2017) – 7 yrs Alt
Gwyn Gallagher (2019) – 12 yrs
Mary Mancuso (2019) – 10 yrs
David Haseman (2018) – 4 yr Alt

Zoning Board of Adjustment – by
Moderator – 3 years
Caroline Storrs, Chair (2017)-36 yrs
Jason Bourne, Vice Chair (2018) – 10 yrs
Wm Balch, Clerk (2019) – 39 yrs Alt
James Brown (2018) – 10 yrs
Bruce Tracy (2018) – 18 yrs
Dale Rook, (2019) – 19 yrs Alt
Kate Freeland (2017) – 3 yr Alt
Karim Chichakly (2019) Alt

Conservation Commission – by Selectmen
– 3 years
Jim Barker, Chair (2019) –9 yrs
Herrika Poor, Vice Chair (2019)- 41 yrs
Bob Bulkeley (2017)
Bill Galagher (2018) – 16 yrs
Dale Rook (2018)
Buz Lord (2017)
Steven Wilkie (2017)
John Berry (2018) Alt
Patrick Clancy (2017) Alt
Paul Dunne (2017) Alt
Jenny Schad (2019) Alt – 5 yrs
John Hammond – Selectboard Rep. 10 yrs

TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Finance Committee – by Moderator – 3
years

William Caterino (2019)
Heidi Jaarsma Ex Officio
Fred Weld (2017)
Christine Heins (2017)
Marcia Clark (2017)

Town Forest Committee – by Selectmen

Virginia Prince, Chairman
Loel Callahan
Ed Woodbury
John Hammond, for Selectmen
Jim Fitch

Capital Equipment Committee – by

Selectmen	Mike Duval
Wayne Gray	Scott Baker
Dan Flynn	Richard Heim
Tom Spaulding	Larry Dingee
Reyer Jaarsma	James Fitch

Energy Committee – by Selectmen

Mary Boyle, Chair	Nancy Wightman
Pat Pinkson-Burke	William Cable
Martha Zoerheide	George Edson
Janice Orion	

Wetlands Wildlife Committee-by

Selectmen	Troy Simino
James Fitch	Frank Parks

Ct. River Resource Committee – Local

River Subcommittee – by Selectmen
Colleen O’Neill

Overseers of Covered Bridges – by

Selectmen
Leo Maslan Richard Thompson

Surveyors of Wood, Bark & Lumber – 1
year

Gwyn Gallagher	Leo Maslan
Jim Fitch	Richard Thompson
Reyer Jaarsma	James Neil
Troy Simino	Bill Ladd

Emergency Office Liaison to 911 – by

Selectmen
Dale Lawrence

Emergency Management Director – by

Selectmen
Vacant

Historic Building Committee-by

Selectmen
Caroline Storrs
Peter Storrs
Heidi Jaarsma
Bill Fitts
Richard Thompson
Larry Dingee

CREA Committee – By Selectmen

Dale Lawrence, for Selectmen
Wayne Gray, Fair Association
Frank Parks, Wetlands Wildlife Committee
Leo Maslan, Scout Troop #332
George Edson, CREA Barn
Robert & Linda Rice, Cara Decato,
Rebecca Rumrill – Agriculture/Farming

Spirit Committee – by Selectmen

Colleen O’Neill	Caroline Storrs
Christine Heins	

Librarian – by Trustees of the Library

Brenda Freeland

Fence Viewers – 1 year

Henry Homeyer	Bill Ladd
Bill Gallagher	Rob Jaarsma
Leo Maslan	

Hog Reeves – 1 year

Bob & Ginger Bulkeley
Bob & Susan LaFlamm
Jim & Pam Lukash
Lyle & Kellie Pary
Bob & Judith Taylor

Selectmen’s Special Agent – by Selectmen

John Hammond

Auditors – by Selectmen

Rowley & Associates

STATE APPOINTMENTS

Health Officer – Jeff Katchen

Deputy Health Officer – Ginny Prince

Forest Fire Warden – Robert Rice

Forest Fire Deputy Wardens

Leo Maslan	Jim Guy
Leland Atwood	Bill Fitts
Dale Rook	

**2017 CORNISH TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Cornish, in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School Gymnasium in said Cornish on Tuesday the 14th of March, next at 10:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1 of the Warrant will be acted upon at 10:00 am. Voting will be by official ballot and checklist, and the polls will be open for this purpose and will remain open from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm, at which time the polls will close. The business portion of Town Meeting will begin at 12:00 noon. Articles 2 through 30 will be acted upon at that time.

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

Article 2: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same. (Majority vote required.)

a) Town Office	61,724
b) Tax Collector	12,549
c) Town Clerk	13,570
d) Election, Vital Statistics	2,700
e) Audit Town Books	10,000
f) Revaluation of Property	7,600
g) Legal Expenses	5,000
h) Planning Board	3,177
i) Zoning Board	600
j) Buildings & Grounds	26,196
k) Cemeteries & Perpetual Care	19,871
l) Insurance (Property/Liability)	30,000
m) Records Preservation	200
n) Spirit Committee	500
o) Police Department	87,145
p) Ambulance	16,352
q) Fire Department	46,700
r) Emergency Management	50
s) Septage	2,500
t) Recycling	22,000
u) Hazardous Waste	1,000
v) Human Services	17,400
w) Parks & CREA Land	6,370
x) Memorial Day	500
y) Conservation Commission	750
z) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000
za) Library	14,035

Article 2 (cont.):

zb) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$581,679 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of \$481,865 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above snow removal), and up to \$99,814 to be received from the State as Highway Block Grant Funds for special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Cemetery Department Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in the Paving Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to be placed in the Municipal Building Non-Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,800 to perform data verification (list and measure) of our property values and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the amount from the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for the continued upgrade of the Fire Department Cascade System with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required.)

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120,000 to purchase turnout gear (gear, air packs, etc.) for the Fire Department. The sum of \$114,000 is to be received from a FEMA Firefighter Assistance matching grant, with the balance of \$6,000 to be raised through taxation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,500 for the purpose of purchasing a propane generator for the Highway Garage. The sum of \$6,750 is to be received from a 50% matching grant with the balance of \$6,750 to come from unassigned fund balance. The funds coming from unassigned fund balance represent a portion of the unspent 2016 Highway Budget. (Majority vote required.)

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for printing and mailing the Master Plan Survey with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required.)

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of purchasing yard lights to illuminate the sand pile and sand screen with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2016 Highway Budget. (Majority vote required.)

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for the purpose of building improvements to the Highway Department with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2016 Highway Budget. (Majority vote required.)

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,920 for the purpose of purchasing cruiser data terminal laptops for the Police Department. The sum of \$5,460 is to come from a 50% matching grant with the balance of \$5,460 to come from taxation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for the purpose of purchasing body cameras for the Police Department. (Majority vote required.)

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,500 for the purpose of purchasing a new police cruiser with \$16,310 to come from the unassigned fund balance (representing donations collected in previous years) and furthermore with \$21,190 to come from donations and grants received in the current or future year with no moneys to be raised from taxes. This is a non-lapsing article. (Majority vote required.)

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,600 for building repairs and improvements to the G.H. Stowell Library with said funds to come the Library Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants or timber proceeds for this purchase. No part of this appropriation shall come from tax dollars.

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for the repair, maintenance and improvement of Trinity Church and its grounds, with said funds to come from the Trinity Church Special Revenue Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

Article 27: By petition. Resolved, that the Town of Cornish, through the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing process, has been presented with information about the Connecticut River, and has been informed of continued riverbank erosion in the towns along the river.

Approval of this article recommends that, if it is shown that there is a casual relationship between the operation of the Bellows Falls Dam and/or the Wilder Dam by TransCanada Corporation or successor or subsequent owner(s) resulting in the deterioration of the riverbank and attendant roads and farmland, the Town of Cornish formally request that TransCanada or successor or subsequent owner(s) modify current dam operations and create a mitigation fund to reimburse towns and landowners for any and all damages resulting from such operation.

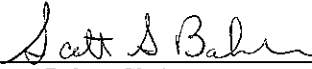
This is a non-monetary article.

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a.


Article 29: To hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote in relation thereto.

Article 30: To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

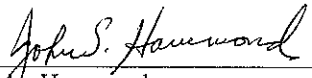
Given under our hand and seal this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen.



Scott Baker, Chair



Dale Lawrence



John Hammond

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

SELECTMEN OF CORNISH

Cornish, New Hampshire

Town Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2016

The Cornish Town Meeting was held on Tuesday the 8th of March 2016. Moderator, Gwyn Gallagher opened the polls at 10:00 AM to begin the voting session of the Cornish Town Meeting. Gwyn Gallagher noted that the Warrant was properly certified and that the signatures of all members of the Selectboard were displayed at the end of the warrant. Gwyn Gallagher then read the Town Warrant in its entirety.

Ballot Clerks: Dale Rook, Judy Rook, Lois Fitts, Audrey Jacquier; as well as Supervisors of the checklists: Leland Atwood, Robin Monette, Ruth Rollins, were present. The business portion of the meeting began at 12:00 pm with a prayer lead by Reverend Dale Nicholas followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Ruth Rollins. Gwyn also asked for a moment of silence for those who have passed away this year. There were very significant people to the community. Selectboard members present were Scott Baker, John Hammond, and Dale Lawrence

Article 1: To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Selectman (3 years).....	Scott Baker -124
Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 years) write in	Jeff Proehl -130
Town Treasurer (1 year)	Heidi Jaarsma -139
Moderator: (2 year).....	Gwyn Gallagher - 139
Town Clerk (3 years)	Paula Harthan-137
Tax Collector (1 year)	Reigh Sweetser -139
Sexton (1 year).....	Thomas Spaulding - 130
Library Trustee (1 year)	Kathryn Patterson - 133
Office of General Assistance (1 year)	Pamela Annis -135
Supervisors of the checklist (6 years)	Robin Monette - 138

Article 2: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

- (a) Town Office – John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$57,691. Fred Sullivan seconded, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (b) Tax Collector – Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$12,410. The motion was seconded by Mary Auten, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (c) Town Clerk – Bill Caterino moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$13,490. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (d) Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics – Doug Thayer moved to raise and appropriate \$6,725. The motion was seconded by Mary Curtis, and the vote was in the affirmative.

- (e) Audit Town Books – Heidi Jaarsma moved to raise and appropriate \$9,600. The motion was seconded by Bill Caterino, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (f) Revaluation of Property – Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$7,600. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (g) Legal Expenses – Ricki Poor moved that the town raise and appropriate \$5,000. The motion was seconded by John Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (h) Planning Board - Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,727. The motion was seconded by Jim Lukash, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (i) Zoning Board of Adjustment – Dale Rook moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$450. The motion was seconded by Bill Balch, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (j) Buildings and Grounds – Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$26,196. The motion was seconded by Dan Flynn, and the vote as in the affirmative.
- (k) Cemeteries and Perpetual Care – Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$19,600. The motion was seconded by Mary Curtis, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (l) Insurance (Property/Liability) – Heather Meeks moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$40,000. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (m) Records Preservation – Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$50. The motion was seconded by Mary Curtis, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (n) Spirit Committee – Colleen O’Neill moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$500. The motion was seconded by Shelly Brookings, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (o) Police Department – Doug Hackett moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$85,427. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (p) Ambulance – Dale Lawrence moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$16,352. The motion was seconded by John Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (q) Fire Department – Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$46,300. John Drye mentioned that Trans Canada donated a light bar for engine 3. The motion was seconded by John Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (r) Emergency Management – Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$50. John Hammond mentioned that if anyone would like to fill this position, it is currently vacant. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.

- (s) Septage – Mary Curtis moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,500. The motion was seconded by Betty Caterino, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (t) Recycling – Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$15,500. The motion was seconded by Dale Lawrence, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (u) Hazardous Waste – Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Jan Lord, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (v) Human Services – Pam Annis moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$17,400. The motion was seconded by Heather Meeks, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (w) Parks and CREA Land – Ricki Poor moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$ 6,370. The motion as seconded by John Scott and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (x) Memorial Day- Caroline Storrs moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$500. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (y) Conservation Commission Expense – Ricki Poor moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$750. The motion was seconded by Dan Poor, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (z) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes – Heather Meeks moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Bill Caterino, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (za) Library- Brenda Freeland moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$13,944. John Scott seconded the motion. Heidi Jaarsma amended this amount to \$13,994 due to a typographical error in the warrant. Mary Curtis seconded the motion, and the vote on the amended amount was in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the amended main motion, to raise and appropriate \$13,994 for the operation of the Library, and the vote was in the affirmative.
 - (zb) Buzz Lord moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$574,657 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of \$478,627 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above mentioned snow removal), and up to \$96,030 to be received from the State Highway Grant Funds for special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. The motion was seconded by Chuck DeAngelis, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- Article 3:** John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 4: Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Heather Meeks and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 5: Doug Thayer moved that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Dale Lawrence, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 6: Dale Lawrence moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 7: Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 8: Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Brenda Freeland, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 9: Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by John Rand and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 10: Buzz Lord moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 11: Chuck DeAngelis moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Cemetery Department Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Brenda Freeland, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 12: Chuck DeAngelis moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in the Paving Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Dan Poor, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 13: Chuck DeAngelis moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$158,750 for the purpose of purchasing a new Dump Truck with its associated equipment for the Highway Department and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw that amount from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose and to further authorize the sale of the 2005 Sterling Dump Truck. The motion was seconded by Buzz Lord, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 14: Chuck DeAngelis moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the refurbishment of the Highway Department 2002 International Dump Truck with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget. The motion was seconded by Kyle Witty, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 15: Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$105,000 for paving and to allow Selectman to withdraw up to \$80,000 from the Paving Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose with the remainder to be raised by taxes. Dan Flynn asked which roads were scheduled for paving. The Selectman said the Cornish Stage Road is next to be paved in 2016. The motion was seconded by Polly Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 16: Bill Caterino moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,100 for the installation of ceiling fans in the Highway Garage with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget. The motion was seconded by Heather Meeks, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 17: Bill Caterino moved that the Town raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$10,000 for the installation of upgraded lights in the Highway Garage with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget. The motion was seconded by Chuck DeAngelis, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 18: Heidi Jaarsma moved that Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,800 to perform a data verification (list and measure) of our property values and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw from the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Fred Sullivan, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 19: Bob Rice moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$10,000 for improvements to the building known as the Cornish Flat Fire Station, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. Bob Rice mentioned that the station has some problems with rotting wood and hopes that it may be under warranty since the building is not that old. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 20: Polly Rand moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$15,050 for the purchase and installation of a generator to supply power to the Town House Road Police/Fire Station, such building being designated as the Town of Cornish Emergency Operations Center (EOC), with \$7,525 to come from the unassigned fund balance and \$7,525 to come from a 50% matching grant. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 21: Chuck DeAngelis moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,100 to replace the sand screen at the Highway Garage with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget. The motion was seconded by Fred Sullivan, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 22: Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$9,500 for the purpose of replacing four “Welcome to Cornish” signs and purchasing two granite benches for the common in Cornish Flat with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the Kibbey Estate. The motion was seconded by Caroline Storrs, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 23: Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the 1985 veterans’ Memorial Trust Fund held by the Trustees of Trust Funds with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the Kibbey Estate. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood. Ruth Rollins made a motion to amend this amount to \$10,000. The motion was seconded by Bill Caterino, and the vote to amend was in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the main motion to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to be placed in the 1985 Veterans’ Memorial Trust Fund as described, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 24: Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$67,921 to create a Trust Fund under the provisions of NH RSA 31:19-a to be known as the James C Kibbey Trust Fund for the purpose of providing scholarship funds for up two Cornish residents per year, by request in writing by the applicants, for the purpose of post-secondary study in the field of music at a public or private accredited post-secondary institution with said funds, representing a portions of the James C. Kibbey Estate, to come from the unassigned fund balance, and furthermore to name the Selectman agents of the said fund. Bill Fitts seconded the motion.

Heidi Jaarsma made a motion to amend the article as follows: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,921 to create a Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a to be known as the James C. Kibbey Trust Fund for the purpose of providing scholarship funds for Cornish residents, by request in writing by the applicants, for the purpose of study in the field of music with said funds representing a portion of the James C. Kibbey Estate, to come from the unassigned fund balance, and furthermore to name the Selectmen agents of said fund. Dan Poor seconded the motion. The amendment did not carry.

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Article 25: Jim Barker moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants or timber proceeds for this purchase. No part of this shall come from tax dollars. The motion was seconded by Rebecca Rumrill, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 26: Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for the repair, maintenance and improvement of Trinity Church and its grounds, with said funds to come from the Trinity Church Special Revenue Fund. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 27: Buzz Lord moved to see if the Town will vote to designate Gap Road a Scenic Road as provided by NH RSA 231:157 and 231:158, submitted by petition. The motion was seconded by Ricki Poor. After lengthy discussion, the vote was taken as a hand vote and was in the affirmative: YES – 40 and NO-36.

Article 28: Jim Lukash moved to see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under NH RSA 80:52a. . The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 29: Doug Thayer moved that the Town hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto. The motion was seconded by Troy Simino, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Conservation Commission Award: The Conservation Award was presented to Bill and Jenny Lipfert. The Lipfert's have made tremendous improvements to the King Elm Farm on 12A. They have provided trails for the public and have had the property logged. The Lipfert's have protected the land for the future through conservation easements.

Article 30: To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Hog Reeves: Moved by Polly Rand, seconded by John Hammond, and voted in the affirmative.

Bob and Ginger Bulkeley
Bob and Susan LaFlamm
Jim and Pam Lukash

Lyle and Kellie Parry
Bob and Judith Taylor

Surveyors of Wood, Bark & Lumber: Moved by Ruth Rollins, seconded by Dale Rook and voted in the affirmative.

Jim Fitch
Gwyn Gallagher
Bill Ladd
Reyer Jaarsma

Leo Maslan
James Neil
Troy Simino
Richard Thompson

Fence Viewers: Moved by Fred Sullivan, seconded by Dillion Gallagher, and voted in the affirmative.

Bill Gallagher
Henry Homeyer
Rob Jaarsma

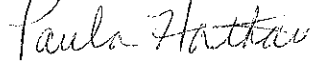
Bill Ladd
Leo Maslan

Other Business: Ruth Rollins made a motion to move the voting times for Town Meeting back to 10 am-7pm. She would like to see the town save money by reducing the hours. If people cannot get here between 10 am and 7 pm, they could obtain absentee ballots from the Town Clerk. The motion was seconded by Jim Lukash, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Leo Maslan commended Dan Kelliher of Boy Scout troop # 332 for his community service in providing microphone service during town meeting.

Town Of Cornish has a new podium constructed by Ben Sheeman with help from Boy Scout Troop# 332.

Respectfully submitted,



Paula Harthan
Clerk, Town of Cornish, New Hampshire

2017 Budget
General Fund Balance Sheet 12/31/2016

	December 2016	December 2015
ASSETS		
Cash & Short Term Investments	1,702,681	1,864,910
Petty Cash	250	200
Uncollected Property Taxes	217,304	237,039
Uncollected Land Use Taxes	0	3,400
Uncollected Yield Taxes	0	706
Unredeemed Taxes	81,858	90,987
Allowance for Refunds and Abatements	(43,840)	(50,453)
Deeded Property Held for Resale	7,089	21,577
TOTAL ASSETS	1,965,343	2,168,366
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Deposit Escrow	0	100
Due to School District	1,042,230	1,234,232
Due to Conservation Fund	2,040	2,040
Due to Town Forest	375	375
Due to Trinity Church SRF	1,734	2,484
Due to CREA Barn Fund	180	0
Retirement Withholding	4,248	2,455
Deferred Tax Revenue	0	9
Reserve for Deeded Property	7,089	21,577
Fund Balance:		
Assigned: Reserved for Encumbrances	0	0
Unassigned:	907,447	905,092
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	1,965,343	2,168,366

Statement of Revenues 2017 Budget

	2016 Final Est.	2016 Actual	Estimate Over(Under)	2017 Proposed	Proposed Over(Under)
TAXES					
Land Use Change Taxes	0	0	0	0	0
Yield Taxes	6,500	13,019	6,519	10,000	3,500
Paymt in Lieu of Taxes	7,186	7,185	(1)	7,185	(1)
Interest & Penalty on Taxes	30,000	38,836	8,836	30,000	0
Excavation Tax	0	0	0	0	0
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES					
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	310,000	325,124	15,124	320,000	10,000
Building Permits	750	1,250	500	750	0
Dog Licenses and Fines	1,800	1,666	(134)	1,600	(200)
Other Permits and Fees	450	535	85	450	0
STATE OF NH & FEDERAL					
Shared Revenues-Rooms	85,062	85,062	0	85,062	0
Shared Revenue-BPT	0	0	0	0	0
Highway Block Grant	99,814	99,814	(0)	99,814	0
Bridge Aid	0	0	0	0	0
Railroad Tax & Other	1,481	1,481	(0)	1,481	0
Government Grants	7,525	0	(7,525)	133,735	126,210
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
Zoning Board Fees	250	541	291	400	150
Planning Board Fees	1,800	2,437	637	1,800	0
Cemetery	0	50	50	0	0
Burial Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Highway Dept. Income	0	0	0	0	0
Police Dept. Income	9,000	8,270	(730)	8,000	(1,000)
Fire Dept. Income	0	0	0	0	0
Recycling Income	4,500	5,358	858	5,000	500
MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES					
Sale of Town Property	0	44,935	44,935	0	0
Rental of Town Property	2,000	1,805	(195)	1,800	(200)
Interest on Investments	3,200	4,934	1,734	4,000	800
Town Forest	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0
Other Sources	9,256	9,940	684	2,000	(7,256)
Police Cruiser donation	0	3,495	3,495	21,190	21,190
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
Special Revenue Fund	750	750	0	750	0
Trust	1,500	200	(1,300)	1,500	0
Capital Reserve Funds	246,550	237,127	(9,423)	22,400	(224,150)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
Use of Fund Balance voted	150,146	150,146	0	40,560	(109,586)
Fund Bal. to reduce taxes	12,000	12,000	0	44,935	32,935
TOTAL REVENUES	993,020	1,055,959	62,939	845,912	(147,108)

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TOWN OF CORNISH

	2016 Final Approp	2016 Actual Expend	2016 Over (Under)	2017 Proposed Budget	2017 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
(a) TOWN OFFICE						
Salaries	27,336	27,968	632	27,882	546	2.0%
Salaries - Part Time	5,000	4,671	(329)	5,000	0	0.0%
Salary - Treasurer	3,000	3,000	0	3,500	500	16.7%
Salary - Dep Treas	100	100	0	100	0	0.0%
FICA	2,220	2,216	(4)	2,260	40	1.8%
Medicare	520	518	(2)	540	20	3.8%
Medical Ins. - Town	7,965	8,102	137	8,442	477	6.0%
Advertising	250	200	(50)	250	0	0.0%
Memberships	1,400	1,590	190	1,500	100	7.1%
Postage	750	482	(268)	650	(100)	-13.3%
Software Leases	2,500	2,232	(268)	2,850	350	14.0%
Copier Lease	600	667	67	600	0	0.0%
Mapping	0	0	0	1,600	1,600	n/a
Computer Expense	500	642	142	600	100	20.0%
Office Supplies	800	1,079	279	1,000	200	25.0%
Town Report	1,800	1,455	(345)	1,800	0	0.0%
Mileage	2,200	1,816	(384)	2,200	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	250	53	(197)	250	0	0.0%
Registry of Deeds	100	138	38	100	0	0.0%
Web Site	300	156	(144)	400	100	33.3%
Misc Expense	100	2,547	2,447	200	100	100.0%
TOTAL	57,691	59,632	1,941	61,724	4,033	7.0%
(b) TAX COLLECTOR						
Salary	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	0	0.0%
Salary - Dep Tax Coll.	600	600	0	600	0	0.0%
FICA	500	478	(22)	500	0	0.0%
Medicare	120	112	(8)	120	0	0.0%
Memberships	25	70	45	25	0	0.0%
Postage	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0.0%
Software Leases	1,965	1,965	0	2,004	39	2.0%
Computer Expense	300	170	(130)	300	0	0.0%
Office supplies	400	449	49	400	0	0.0%
Mileage	100	100	0	200	100	100.0%
Training & Education	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Tax Coll Fees & Liens	1,100	1,090	(10)	1,100	0	0.0%
Registry of Deeds	200	154	(46)	200	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	50	23	(27)	50	0	0.0%
TOTAL	12,410	12,212	(198)	12,549	139	1.1%

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	2016 Final Approp	2016 Actual Expend	2016 Over (Under)	2017 Proposed Budget	2017 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
(c) TOWN CLERK						
Salary - Clerk	1,800	1,850	50	1800	0	0.0%
Salary - Dep Clerk	600	600	0	600	0	0.0%
FICA	1,000	1,118	118	1000	0	0.0%
Medicare	250	261	11	250	0	0.0%
Memberships	25	20	(5)	25	0	0.0%
Postage	800	800	0	800	0	0.0%
Software Leases	2,695	2,695	0	2,755	60	2.2%
Computer Expense	250	0	(250)	250	0	0.0%
Office Supplies	1,000	987	(13)	1,000	0	0.0%
Dog Licenses	140	141	1	160	20	14.3%
Mileage	300	300	0	300	0	0.0%
Training & Education	200	200	0	200	0	0.0%
Veh Reg. Fees	4,300	7,405	3,105	4,300	0	0.0%
Marriage Lic. Fees	20	50	30	20	0	0.0%
Title Fees	20	(6)	(26)	20	0	0.0%
Wetland Fees	20	0	(20)	20	0	0.0%
Validation Fee	20	(13)	(33)	20	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	50	304	254	50	0	0.0%
TOTAL	13,490	16,713	3,223	13,570	80	0.6%
(d) ELECTIONS						
Salaries	5,600	4,483	(1,117)	1,835	(3,765)	-67.2%
FICA	280	57	(223)	70	(210)	-75.0%
Medicare	70	13	(57)	20	(50)	-71.4%
Advertising	100	174	74	100	0	0.0%
Postage	100	14	(86)	100	0	0.0%
Office Supplies	50	102	52	50	0	0.0%
Election Expense	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Mileage	75	127	52	75	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Vitals-State Fees	300	(53)	(353)	300	0	0.0%
Vitals-Town Clerk Fees	50	1	(49)	50	0	0.0%
TOTAL	6,725	4,918	(1,807)	2,700	(4,025)	-59.9%
(e) AUDIT						
Town Audit	9,600	9,580	(20)	10,000	400	4.2%
TOTAL	9,600	9,580	(20)	10,000	400	4.2%
(f) REVALUATION						
Appraisal Fees	7,600	8,125	525	7,600	0	0.0%
TOTAL	7,600	8,125	525	7,600	0	0.0%
(g) LEGAL						
Legal Expense	5,000	2,298	(2,702)	5,000	0	0.0%
TOTAL	5,000	2,298	(2,702)	5,000	0	0.0%

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	2016 Final Approp	2016 Actual Expend	2016 Over (Under)	2017 Proposed Budget	2017 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
(h) PLANNING BOARD						
Salaries	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0.0%
FICA	62	62	0	62	0	0.0%
Medicare	15	15	(1)	15	0	0.0%
Advertising	1,150	1,042	(108)	1,000	(150)	-13.0%
Postage	200	786	586	800	600	300.0%
Mileage	50	24	(26)	50	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	150	8	(142)	150	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	100	100	0	100	0	0.0%
TOTAL	2,727	3,036	309	3,177	450	16.5%
(i) ZONING BOARD						
Salaries	150	75	(75)	150	0	0.0%
FICA	0	5	5	0	0	0.0%
Medicare	0	1	1	0	0	0.0%
Advertising	100	372	272	175	75	75.0%
Postage	150	138	(12)	225	75	50.0%
Training & Educ	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
TOTAL	450	590	140	600	150	33.3%
(j) BUILDINGS & GROUNDS						
Salaries - Town Hall	750	0	(750)	750	0	0.0%
Salaries - PT	4,500	3,950	(550)	4,500	0	0.0%
FICA	330	245	(85)	330	0	0.0%
Medicare	66	57	(9)	66	0	0.0%
Phone - TO & TH	1,100	1,230	130	1,100	0	0.0%
Internet - Town Office	1,250	1,258	8	1,250	0	0.0%
Electric - Town Office	2,000	1,888	(112)	2,000	0	0.0%
Electric - Town Hall	2,500	2,319	(181)	2,500	0	0.0%
Heat - Town Office	4,000	2,679	(1,321)	4,000	0	0.0%
Heat - Town Hall	2,500	637	(1,863)	2,250	(250)	-10.0%
Trash	600	870	270	600	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Maint- Town Office	3,100	3,172	72	3,100	0	0.0%
Maint-Town Hall	2,500	2,833	333	2,500	0	0.0%
Cleaning - Town Hall	750	1,025	275	1,000	250	33.3%
Maintenance Supplies	200	81	(119)	200	0	0.0%
TOTAL	26,196	22,246	(3,950)	26,196	0	0.0%

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(k) CEMETERIES						
Salaries	12,565	11,774	(791)	12,816	251	2.0%
FICA	785	730	(55)	801	16	2.0%
Medicare	185	171	(14)	189	4	2.0%
Tools	500	550	50	500	0	0.0%
Gasoline	600	469	(131)	600	0	0.0%
Diesel	600	380	(220)	600	0	0.0%
Hired Equipment	1,065	930	(135)	1,065	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	75	0	(75)	75	0	0.0%
Cemetery Vehicle	500	83	(417)	500	0	0.0%
Equipment Repair	425	1,009	584	425	0	0.0%
Maintenance Supplies	600	80	(520)	600	0	0.0%
Perpetual Care	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0	0.0%
Sanderson Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Burial Expenses	200	0	(200)	200	0	0.0%
TOTAL	19,600	16,177	(3,423)	19,871	271	1.4%
(l) INSURANCE						
All Non-medical	40,000	19,129	(20,871)	30,000	(10,000)	-25.0%
TOTAL	40,000	19,129	(20,871)	30,000	(10,000)	-25.0%
(m) TOWN RECORDS						
Records Preservation	50	0	(50)	200	150	300.0%
TOTAL	50	0	(50)	200	150	300.0%
(n) SPIRIT COMMITTEE						
Spirit Project	500	285	(216)	500	0	0.0%
TOTAL	500	285	(216)	500	0	0.0%

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(o) POLICE DEPARTMENT						
Salaries	50,324	47,688	(2,636)	51,331	1,007	2.0%
Salaries - Special	7,400	7,095	(305)	7,400	0	0.0%
FICA	3,610	1,864	(1,746)	2,143	(1,467)	-40.6%
Medicare	800	734	(66)	864	64	8.0%
Postage	30	100	70	30	0	0.0%
Computer Expense	2,245	2,370	125	2,319	74	3.3%
Office Supplies	750	1,100	350	900	150	20.0%
Training & Educ	300	517	217	400	100	33.3%
Telephone	2,712	3,228	516	2,712	0	0.0%
Internet	792	917	125	792	0	0.0%
Heat	500	490	(10)	500	0	0.0%
Uniforms	750	670	(80)	750	0	0.0%
Equipment	200	3,312	3,112	200	0	0.0%
Dispatch	10,064	10,124	60	10,354	290	2.9%
Gasoline	2,000	1,349	(651)	1,300	(700)	-35.0%
Misc Expense	50	20	(30)	50	0	0.0%
Equipment Repair	300	396	96	300	0	0.0%
Radios	350	445	95	350	0	0.0%
Building Maintenance	500	477	(23)	500	0	0.0%
Vehicle Maintenance	1,750	1,938	188	3,950	2,200	125.7%
TOTAL	85,427	84,834	(593)	87,145	1,718	2.0%
(p) AMBULANCE						
Windsor	8,767	8,764	(3)	8,767	0	0.0%
Golden Cross	7,585	7,585	(0)	7,585	0	0.0%
TOTAL	16,352	16,349	(3)	16,352	0	0.0%

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	2016 Final Approp	2016 Actual Expend	2016 Over (Under)	2017 Proposed Budget	2017 Increase (Decrease)	
(q) FIRE DEPARTMENT						
Memberships	700	687	(13)	1,600	900	128.6%
Mileage	1,000	0	(1,000)	1,000	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	2,100	128	(1,972)	2,100	0	0.0%
Telephone	1,200	1,538	338	700	(500)	-41.7%
Internet	900	1,030	130	900	0	0.0%
Electricity-Route 120	1,400	804	(596)	1,400	0	0.0%
Electricity-Town House	2,000	1,705	(295)	2,000	0	0.0%
Heat-Route 120	3,500	2,052	(1,448)	3,500	0	0.0%
Heat-Town House	2,500	1,052	(1,448)	2,500	0	0.0%
Fire Equipment	2,000	5,104	3,104	2,000	0	0.0%
Pagers	600	823	223	600	0	0.0%
Hose	1,000	559	(441)	1,000	0	0.0%
Forest Fire	1,000	877	(123)	1,000	0	0.0%
Dispatch	8,000	8,296	296	8,000	0	0.0%
Gasoline	600	471	(129)	600	0	0.0%
Diesel	2,500	1,182	(1,318)	2,500	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	200	0	(200)	200	0	0.0%
Equipment Repair	1,000	2,136	1,136	1,000	0	0.0%
Radios	2,500	2,615	115	2,500	0	0.0%
Maintenance-Sta 1	2,000	703	(1,297)	2,000	0	0.0%
Maintenance-Sta 2	2,000	3,001	1,001	2,000	0	0.0%
Engine 1	800	593	(207)	800	0	0.0%
Engine 2	2,000	604	(1,396)	2,000	0	0.0%
Tanker	1,200	1,447	247	1,200	0	0.0%
Engine 3	800	1,541	741	800	0	0.0%
Utility Truck	800	713	(87)	800	0	0.0%
SCBA	2,000	273	(1,727)	2,000	0	0.0%
TOTAL	46,300	39,931	(6,369)	46,700	400	0.9%
(r) EMERGENCY MGT.						
	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
TOTAL	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%

2016 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2017 PROPOSAL
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2016 Final Approp	2016 Actual Expend	2016 Over (Under)	2017 Proposed Budget	2017 Increase (Decrease)	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT						
Salaries	189,491	189,438	(53)	193,279	3,788	2.0%
Salaries-Part Time	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0	0.0%
Salaries-Overtime	18,000	13,270	(4,730)	18,000	0	0.0%
FICA	13,100	12,568	(532)	13,200	100	0.8%
Medicare	3,050	2,939	(111)	3,100	50	1.6%
Retirement	23,000	21,273	(1,727)	23,000	0	0.0%
Medical Ins -Town	89,066	87,616	(1,451)	99,000	9,934	11.2%
CDL Random Screening	350	432	82	650	300	85.7%
Advertising	100	170	70	400	300	300.0%
Training & Educ	500	700	200	750	250	50.0%
Telephone	1,200	1,045	(155)	1,200	0	0.0%
Internet	1,500	865	(635)	1,000	(500)	-33.3%
Electricity	2,700	2,678	(22)	2,700	0	0.0%
Heat	1,000	705	(295)	1,000	0	0.0%
Uniforms	1,500	1,594	94	1,500	0	0.0%
Permits	5,000	1,644	(3,356)	4,000	(1,000)	-20.0%
Gasoline	2,000	1,384	(616)	2,000	0	0.0%
Diesel	35,000	17,561	(17,439)	25,000	(10,000)	-28.6%
Oil & Lubricants	3,000	2,470	(530)	3,000	0	0.0%
Cold Patch	5,000	19,306	14,306	5,000	0	0.0%
Gravel	60,000	35,012	(24,988)	50,000	(10,000)	-16.7%
Sand	50,000	48,413	(1,587)	60,000	10,000	20.0%
Salt	5,200	4,350	(850)	10,000	4,800	92.3%
Culverts	4,000	6,244	2,244	4,000	0	0.0%
Guard Rails	100	0	(100)	100	0	0.0%
Road Supplies/Bridge	2,000	3,207	1,207	2,000	0	0.0%
Shop Supplies	5,000	9,638	4,638	5,000	0	0.0%
Hired Equipment	12,800	13,436	636	12,800	0	0.0%
Rubbish/Tire Removal	1,000	865	(135)	1,000	0	0.0%
Plows.Chains,Blades	10,000	10,088	88	10,000	0	0.0%
Sanders	1,500	1,030	(470)	1,500	0	0.0%
2002 Truck	3,000	3,523	523	3,000	0	0.0%
2005 Truck	3,000	889	(2,111)	0	(3,000)	-100.0%
1999 Loader	2,500	312	(2,188)	2,500	0	0.0%
2002 Grader	3,000	110	(2,890)	3,000	0	0.0%
2009 Truck	3,000	2,085	(915)	3,000	0	0.0%
2012 Ford Truck	3,000	1,140	(1,860)	3,000	0	0.0%
2015 Ford F350	500	189	(311)	500	0	n/a
2009 Kia Sorento	500	993	493	500	0	n/a
Kubota Tractor	1,000	1,495	495	1,000	0	0.0%
Backhoe	1,000	3,362	2,362	1,000	0	0.0%
Vibratory Roller	2,000	1,037	(963)	1,000	(1,000)	-50.0%
Chipper	500	10	(490)	500	0	0.0%
2017 International	0	0	0	3,000	3,000	n/a
Radios	1,000	1,331	331	1,000	0	0.0%
Building Maintenance	3,000	3,426	426	3,000	0	0.0%
TOTAL	574,657	529,842	(44,815)	581,679	7,022	1.2%

2016 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2017 PROPOSAL
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2016 Final Approp	2016 Actual Expend	2016 Over (Under)	2017 Proposed Budget	2017 Increase (Decrease)	
SANITATION						
(s) Septage	2,500	2,460	(40)	2,500	0	0.0%
(t) Recycling						
Salaries	6,000	5,969	(31)	6,120	120	2.0%
FICA	372	367	(5)	379	7	2.0%
Medicare	87	86	(1)	89	2	2.0%
Mileage	60	68	8	60	0	0.0%
Training & Education	50	50	0	50	0	0.0%
Hired Equipment	550	550	0	550	0	0.0%
Trucking	8,381	15,382	7,001	14,752	6,371	76.0%
TOTAL	15,500	22,472	6,972	22,000	6,500	41.9%
(u) Hazardous Waste	1,000	696	(304)	1,000	0	0.0%
(v) HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES						
Rescue Squad	4,400	4,400	0	4,400	0	0.0%
Animal Control	500	461	(40)	500	0	0.0%
VNA & Hospice	1,000	1,000	0	1,750	750	75.0%
SW Comm Serv	500	500	0	500	0	0.0%
Volunteers in Action	400	400	0	400	0	0.0%
West Central Services	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	0	0.0%
CT Valley Home Care	2,500	2,500	0	1,750	(750)	-30.0%
Sullivan Cty Nutrition	500	500	0	500	0	0.0%
General Assistance	5,600	2,094	(3,506)	5,600	0	0.0%
TOTAL	17,400	13,855	(3,545)	17,400	0	0.0%
COMMUNITY & RECREATION						
(w) Parks & CREA Lands	6,370	5,289	(1,081)	6,370	0	0.0%
(x) Memorial Day	500	203	(297)	500	0	0.0%
TOTAL	6,870	5,492	(1,378)	6,870	0	0.0%
(y) CONSERVATION						
Conservation Comm	750	750	0	750	0	0.0%
(z) INTEREST						
Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000	0	(2,000)	2000	0	0.0%
TOTAL	970,845	891,621	(79,224)	978,133	7,288	0.8%

2016 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2017 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

	2016	2016	2016	2017	2017
	Final	Actual	Over	Proposed	Increase
	Approp	Expend	(Under)	Budget	(Decrease)
TOWN GOVERNMENT					
Town Office	57,691	59,632	1,941	61,724	4,033
Tax Collector	12,410	12,212	(198)	12,549	139
Town Clerk	13,490	16,713	3,223	13,570	80
Elections	6,725	4,918	(1,807)	2,700	(4,025)
Audit	9,600	9,580	(20)	10,000	400
Appraisal Fees	7,600	8,125	525	7,600	0
Legal	5,000	2,298	(2,702)	5,000	0
Planning Board	2,727	3,036	309	3,177	450
Zoning Board	450	590	140	600	150
Buildings	26,196	22,246	(3,950)	26,196	0
Cemeteries	19,600	16,177	(3,423)	19,871	271
Insurance	40,000	19,129	(20,871)	30,000	(10,000)
Records Preservation	50	0	(50)	200	150
Spirit Comm	500	285	(216)	500	0
TOTAL	202,039	174,940	(27,099)	193,687	(8,352)
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police Dept	85,427	84,834	(593)	87,145	1,718
Ambulance	16,352	16,349	(3)	16,352	0
Fire Dept	46,300	39,931	(6,369)	46,700	400
Emergency Mgmt	50	0	(50)	50	0
TOTAL	148,129	141,114	(7,015)	150,247	2,118
HIGHWAY DEPT					
Class V Roads - Art. 14	574,657	529,842	(44,815)	581,679	7,022
TOTAL	574,657	529,842	(44,815)	581,679	7,022
SANITATION					
Septage	2,500	2,460	(40)	2,500	0
Recycling	15,500	22,472	6,972	22,000	6,500
Hazardous Waste	1,000	696	(304)	1,000	0
TOTAL	19,000	25,628	6,628	25,500	6,500

2016 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2017 PROPOSED
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2016	2016	2016	2017	2017	
	Final	Actual	Over	Proposed	Increase	
	Approp	Expend	(Under)	Budget	(Decrease)	
HEALTH and						
HUMAN SERVICES	17,400	13,855	(3,545)	17,400	0	
TOTAL	17,400	13,855	(3,545)	17,400	0	
COMMUNITY & RECREATION						
Parks & CREA Land	6,370	5,289	(1,081)	6,370	0	
Memorial Day	500	203	(297)	500	0	
TOTAL	6,870	5,492	(1,378)	6,870	0	
CONSERVATION						
Conservation Comm	750	750	0	750	0	
TOTAL	750	750	0	750	0	
INTEREST						
Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000	0	(2,000)	2,000	0	
TOTAL	2,000	0	(2,000)	2,000	0	
OPERATING TRANSFERS						
Conservation -Art. 3	4,500	4,500	0	4,500	0	
Library Fund - Art. 2za	13,994	13,994	0	14,035	41	
Highway Capital - Art. 4	55,000	55,000	0	60,000	5,000	
Fire Capital - Art. 5	35,000	35,000	0	35,000	0	
Police Capital - Art. 6	4,000	4,000	0	5,000	1,000	
Appraisal Capital - Art. 7	12,000	12,000	0	12,000	0	
Library Capital - Art. 8	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	0	
Bridge Capital - Art. 9	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0	
Capital Bldg Maint - Art. 10	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0	
Cemetery Capital - Art. 11	4,000	4,000	0	4,000	0	
Paving Capital - Art. 12	50,000	50,000	0	50,000	0	
Municipal Bldg Non-Capital 13	0	0	0	2,500	2,500	
TOTAL	200,494	200,494	0	209,035	8,541	
TOTAL before ART.	1,171,339	1,092,115	(79,224)	1,187,168	15,829	1.4%

2016 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2017 PROPOSED
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2016	2016	2016	2017	2017	
	Final	Actual	Over	Proposed	Increase	
	Approp	Expend	(Under)	Budget	(Decrease)	
ARTICLES						
Art 13 2016 - New Dump Truck	158,750	149,327	(9,423)	0	(158,750)	
Art 14 2016 - Refurb 02 Dump Truck	30,000	28,655	(1,345)	0	(30,000)	
Art 15 2016 - Paving	105,000	104,954	(47)	0	(105,000)	
Art 16 2016 - Highway Ceiling Fans	3,100	2,390	(710)	0	(3,100)	
Art 17 2016 - Highway lights	10,000	9,254	(747)	0	(10,000)	
Art 18 2016 - Data Verification	7,800	7,800	0	0	(7,800)	
Art 19 2016 - Fire Dept Bldg	10,000	10,000	0	0	(10,000)	
Art 20 2016 - Generators	15,050	14,268	(782)	0	(15,050)	
Art 21 2016 - Screen	7,100	7,100	0	0	(7,100)	
Art 22 2016 - Signs & Benches	9,500	9,403	(97)	0	(9,500)	
Art 23 2016 - Veteran Trust Fund	10,000	10,000	0	0	(10,000)	
Art 24 2016 - James C. Kibbey TF	62,921	62,921	0	0	(62,921)	
Art 25 2016 - Town Forest	1,500	0	(1,500)	0	(1,500)	
Art 26 2016 - Trinity Church	750	750	0	0	(750)	
Art 14, 2017 - Data Verification	0	0	0	7,800	7,800	
Art 15, 2017 - Fire Dept Cascade Sys	0	0	0	6,000	6,000	
Art 16, 2017 - Fire Dept Gear	0	0	0	120,000	120,000	
Art 17, 2017 - Highway Generator	0	0	0	13,500	13,500	
Art 18, 2017 - Master Plan Update	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	
Art 19, 2017 - Highway Yard Light	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	
Art 20, 2017 - Highway Bldg Imp	0	0	0	8,000	8,000	
Art 21, 2017 - PD Data Term & Laptop	0	0	0	10,920	10,920	
Art 22, 2017 - PD Body Cameras	0	0	0	3,000	3,000	
Art 23, 2017 - Cruiser	0	0	0	37,500	37,500	
Art 24, 2017 - Library Bldg Repair	0	0	0	14,600	14,600	
Art 25, 2017 - Town Forest	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	
Art 26, 2017 - Trinity Church	0	0	0	750	750	
TOTAL ARTICLES	431,471	416,820	(14,651)	227,070	(204,401)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,602,810	1,508,935	(93,875)	1,414,238	(188,572)	-11.8%

**SALARIES AND WAGES
2016**

	FTE/HRS	WKS	2016 Wage	
TOWN OFFICE				
Baker, Scott		52	1,620.40	Selectmen
Curtis, Mary	30.5	52	27,967.55	Administrative Asst
Hammond, John		52	1,620.39	Selectmen
Harthan, Paula		52	18,254.75	Town Clerk
Jaarsma, Heidi			4,075.00	Treasurer & Planning Board
Lawrence, Dale		52	1,430.08	Selectmen
Caterino, William			100.00	Deputy Treasurer
Sweetser, Reigh		52	8,151.13	Tax Collector
CEMETERIES				
DeAngelis, Jr., Charles			7,590.92	Seasonal Grounds
Spaulding, Tom			8,098.00	Seasonal Grounds
POLICE				
Brann, Eric			20,578.87	Part-Time Police
Hackett, Doug			24,515.15	Police Chief
Stevens, Corey			5,541.56	Part-Time Police
HIGHWAY				
DeAngelis, Jr., Charles	as needed		9,253.63	Truck Driver
Gilbert, Roger	40	52	11,134.47	Heavy Equip Op
Gray, Wayne	40	52	48,241.94	Road Agent
McNamara, John	40	52	40,459.24	Heavy Equip Op
Rheaume, Paul	40	52	31,898.43	Truck Driver
Tewksbury, Alan	40	52	25,879.13	Truck Driver
Witty, Sean	40	52	35,841.53	Truck Driver
LIBRARY				
Freeland, Brenda	10	52	7,573.28	Librarian
RECYCLING				
Monette, Michael	5	52	2,927.35	Dept Head
Spaulding, Tom	5	52	3,292.41	Recycle Helper
TOTAL			346,045.21	

**Budget Summary of Inventory Valuation
2016**

	2016 Acres	2016 Assessed Valuation	2015 Acres	2015 Assessed Valuation
Value of Land Only				
In Current Use at				
Current Use Values	22276.06	\$2,793,758	22286.5	\$2,700,273
Conservation Restriction			0	0
Discretionary Preservation	0.21	\$1,600	0.21	\$1,600
Residential	2824.23	\$56,189,800	2813.79	\$56,175,300
Commerical/Industrial	5.03	\$644,700	5.03	\$644,700
TOTAL OF TAX LAND	25105.53	\$59,629,858	25105.53	\$59,521,873
Value of Buildings Only				
Residential		\$107,430,137		\$106,954,637
Manufactured Housing		\$1,990,000		\$1,971,100
Commerical/Industrial		\$1,597,000		\$1,698,900
Discretionary Preservation		\$67,463		\$67,463
TOTAL OF TAXABLE BUILDINGS		\$111,084,600		\$110,332,100
Public Utilities - Electric				
Granite State Electric		\$226,900		\$226,900
New England Power		\$1,965,200		\$1,965,200
New Hampshire Electric Co-op		\$1,531,300		\$1,531,300
Public Service of NH & VT		\$1,481,900		\$1,481,900
Central VT Public Service		\$349,200		\$349,200
TransCanada Hydro NorhtEast		\$500		\$500
TOTAL PUBLIC UTILITIES		\$5,555,000		\$5,555,000
GRAND TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTION				
		\$176,269,458		\$175,408,973
Less Exemptions:				
Blind(2)		(\$30,000)		(\$15,000)
Elderly (11)		(\$687,500)		\$747,500
Disabled (0)		\$0		0
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED		\$175,551,958		\$174,631,473
ACRES IN CURRENT USE				
Farm Land	2530.77	\$886,229	2533	\$899,588
Forest Land	19452.05	\$1,412,139	19461	\$1,795,466
Unproductive Land	115.05	\$2,295	115	\$2,092
Wetland	178.19	\$3,428	178	\$3,127
TOTAL ACREAGE	22276.06	\$2,793,758	22287	\$2,700,273

Source MS-1

**Town of Cornish
2017 Tax Estimate Computation**

	2017E	2016	2015
Total Town Appropriations	1,414,238	1,602,810	1,355,632
Add: Allowance for Refunds & Abatements	2,500	29,641	13,744
War Service Credits:			
Disabled Veterans @ \$1400	3,262	3,262	3,262
All Other Veterans @ \$500	39,000	39,000	39,400
Deduct: Non-Property Tax Town Revenues	(845,912)	(993,020)	(732,168)
State Shared Revenues	0	0	0
Town Taxes To Be Raised	613,088	681,693	679,870
Local School Tax Assessment	3,227,279	3,171,888	3,520,333
Deduct: Education Grant	(534,991)	(619,658)	(698,752)
State Education Taxes	(396,120)	(405,066)	(438,045)
Local School Taxes To Be Raised	2,296,168	2,147,164	2,383,536
State Education Tax	396,120	405,066	438,045
County Tax Assessment	509,668	509,668	498,939
Deduct: State Shared Revenues	0	0	0
County Taxes To Be Raised	509,668	509,668	498,939
TOTAL PROP TAXES TO BE RAISED	3,815,044	3,743,591	4,000,390
Assessed Valuation	175,551,958	175,551,958	174,631,473
Assessed Valuation without Utilities	169,996,958	169,996,958	169,076,473
TOTAL TAX RATE PER \$1000 OF VALUATION	21.80	21.40	22.99
TAX RATE BREAKDOWN	2017E	2016	2015
Town Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	3.49	3.88	3.89
School Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	13.08	12.23	13.65
State School Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	2.33	2.38	2.59
County Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	2.90	2.90	2.86
TOTAL RATE	21.80	21.40	22.99

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
December 31, 2016

SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS

LIENS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR

	2015	2014	2013
UNREDEEMED		\$62,611.41	\$28,375.26
LIENS EXECUTED	\$89,507.93		
INTEREST COLLECTED	\$1,535.61	\$8,031.12	\$8,492.26
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$91,043.54	\$70,642.53	\$36,867.52

COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

REDEMPTIONS	\$40,949.74	\$29,291.48	\$28,375.26
INTEREST COLLECTED	\$1,535.61	\$8,031.12	\$8,492.26
ABATEMENTS	\$19.81		
LIENS DEEDED TO TOWN			
BALANCE AT YEAR END	\$48,538.38	\$33,319.93	
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	\$91,043.54	\$70,642.53	\$36,867.52

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ACCOUNTING IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED,

REIGH H. SWEETSER
TAX COLLECTOR

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT
YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 2016

	2015	2014
UNCOLLECTED TAXES-START OF YEAR	\$237,039.46	
PROPERTY TAXES		
LAND USE	\$3,400.00	
YIELD TAX	\$705.74	
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR		
PROPERTY TAXES	\$3,709,016.00	
LAND USE CHANGE		
TIMBER YIELD TAX	\$13,019.22	
EXCAVATION TAX		
OVERPAYMENTS		
FROM PRIOR YEAR	-\$9.37	
CREDITS REFUNDED	\$8,230.60	
THIS YEARS' CREDITS	\$0.00	
INTEREST COLLECTED-ALL TAXES	\$3,011.89	\$17,764.88
TOTAL DEBITS	\$3,733,268.34	\$17,764.88
COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR		
PROPERTY TAXES	\$3,499,882.29	\$156,198.31
USE CHANGE TAX		\$3,400.00
TIMBER YIELD TAX	\$13,019.22	\$705.74
EXCAVATION TAX		
CONVERTED TO LIENS		\$80,823.32
INTEREST PENALTIES	\$3,011.89	\$16,550.88
PENALTIES		\$1,214.00
ABATEMENTS		
PROPERTY TAXES	\$50.68	\$17.83
LAND USE		
TIMBER YIELD TAX		
DEEDED PROPERTY		
PREPAYMENTS		
PROPERTY TAXES		
UNCOLLECTED AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR		
PROPERTY TAXES	\$217,304.26	
USE CHANGE TAX		
TIMBER YIELD TAX		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$3,733,268.34	\$258,910.08

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ACCOUNTING IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED,

REIGH H. SWEETSER
TAX COLLECTOR

TREASURER'S REPORT
TOWN OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Reconciliation-Cash and Short Term Investments	
Balance 12/31/2015		1,864,909.55
	Add Receipts:	
	Tax Collector	3,891,481.12
	Selectmen	520,100.52
	Town Clerk	336,739.50
	Total Available	6,613,230.69
	Less Payments During Year:	
	School	2,694,232.00
	County	509,668.00
	Town	1,706,649.23
	Total Payments	4,910,549.23
Balance 12/31/2016		1,702,681.46

Bank Statement Balance 12/31/2016		121,418.16
	Add Short Term Investments	1,645,739.86
	Add Uncollected Chargebacks	284.00
	Add Deposits in Transit	32,079.74
	Less Outstanding Checks	-96,840.30
Checkbook Balance 12/31/2016		1,702,681.46

Special Funds in Custody of Treasurer-				
Invested in NH Public Deposit Investment Pool and Claremont Savings Bank				
	Beginning	Add	Less	End
	Of Year	Receipts	Payments	Of Year
<i>Conservation</i>				
Conservation Fund	114,843.98	6,186.72	1,000.00	120,030.70
CREA Dev Fund	6,913.39	36.06	0.00	6,949.45
Rodney Palmer Fund	14,627.93	92.31	48.00	14,672.24
B Barker Mem Fund	2,460.36	12.81	15.64	2,457.53
CREA Barn Fund	0.00	180.00	0.00	180.00
Total	138,845.66		Total	144,289.92
<i>Special Revenue</i>				
Trinity Church Fund	2,484.29	0.00	750.00	1,734.29

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi M. Jaarsma
Town Treasurer

Town of Cornish, NH Capital Reserve Funds 2016

Created	Fund Name	Beginning Balance	New Funds	Income	Expended	Year End Balance
1985	Appraisal	\$ 27,091.77	\$ 12,000.00	\$222.96	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 31,514.73
1995	Bridges	\$ 114,989.10	\$ 10,000.00	\$932.05		\$ 125,921.15
1970	Fire Truck	\$ 156,010.46	\$ 35,000.00	\$1,275.31		\$ 192,285.77
1967	Highway Equipment	\$ 265,155.98	\$ 55,000.00	\$2,171.54	\$ 149,326.66	\$ 173,000.86
2000	Library	\$ 68,002.73	\$ 2,000.00	\$547.19		\$ 70,549.92
1982	Police Cruiser	\$ 15,908.34	\$ 4,000.00	\$127.84		\$ 20,036.18
2013	Cemetery Equipment	\$ 4,009.56	\$ 4,000.00	\$12.45		\$ 8,022.01
2014	Paving	\$ 32,366.69	\$ 50,000.00	\$94.32	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 2,461.01
2014	Building Maint & Impr.	\$ 6,962.88	\$ 10,000.00	\$24.07		\$ 16,986.95
2011	Muni Bldg Non-Cap Maint.	\$ 7,010.44	\$ -	\$16.17	\$ 735.00	\$ 6,291.61
1979	School Bldg. Site Impr.	\$ 18,508.53		\$143.82		\$ 18,652.35
1986	School Block Fund	\$ 11,784.22		\$88.11		\$ 11,872.33
2002	School General Repairs	\$ 1,751.95		\$4.04		\$ 1,755.99
2002	School HVAC	\$ 26,307.61		\$210.86		\$ 26,518.47
2007	Spec Ed/HS Tuition	\$ 58,739.80	\$ -	\$170.40		\$ 58,910.20
Totals		\$ 814,600.06	\$ 182,000.00	\$6,041.13	\$ 237,861.66	\$ 764,779.53

*All funds were invested with Lake Sunapee Bank. The information contained in this report is accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Prepared by Heather Meeks, Stephen Bobin and Jeff Proehl, Trustees of the Trust Funds.*

Town of Cornish, NH Trust Funds 2016

Created	Fund Name	Purpose	Principal			Income			Available Balance
			Beginning Balance	New Funds	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Expended	
1987	Cornish Welfare	Charitable, Needy	\$ 3,518.54	\$ -	\$ 3,518.54	\$ 6,478.13	72.39		\$ 6,550.52
1889	Foss & Kimball	Charitable, Needy	\$ 5,096.04	\$ -	\$ 5,096.04	\$ 17,249.96	178.90	\$ 200.00	\$ 17,228.86
1971	M.J. Kenney	Charitable, Elderly	\$ 4,044.61	\$ -	\$ 4,044.61	\$ 8,577.49	96.13		\$ 8,673.62
1917	Stowell Library	Library	\$ 10,897.15	\$ -	\$ 10,897.15	\$ 688.35	90.34	\$ 200.00	\$ 578.69
1902	Mercer/Aid to Ed.	Scholarship/College	\$ 13,214.61	\$ -	\$ 13,214.61	\$ 72,829.92	696.42	\$ 500.00	\$ 73,026.34
1898	Public School	Scholarship	\$ 418.24	\$ -	\$ 418.24	\$ 1,272.75	12.07		\$ 1,284.82
1999	Queneau Scholarship	Scholarship/8th Grade	\$ 33,000.00	\$ -	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 1,438.91	269.53		\$ 1,708.44
2016	James C. Kibbey	Scholarship	\$ -	\$ 62,921.00	\$ 62,921.00	\$ -	104.19		\$ 104.19
1909	J. Foss/Flags	Town, Upkeep	\$ 1,731.40	\$ -	\$ 1,731.40	\$ 4,562.81	50.33		\$ 4,613.14
1902	Beaman Guide Boards	Town, Upkeep	\$ 1,173.06	\$ -	\$ 1,173.06	\$ 211.57	10.78		\$ 222.35
1985	Veterans Memorial	Town, Upkeep	\$ 645.35	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,645.35	\$ 920.63	24.14		\$ 944.77
Various	Perpetual Care	Cemetery	\$ 89,600.83	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 92,400.83	\$ 39,944.44	1,030.39		\$ 40,974.83
	<i>Perpetual Care, New</i>								
2016	Burch, Stephen & Melony	Edminster		\$ 200.00					
2016	Callahan, Kelly	Edminster		\$ 400.00					
2016	Callahan, Leigh & Loel	Edminster		\$ 400.00					
2016	Tewksbury, Alan & Donna	Edminster		\$ 400.00					
2016	Bailargeon, Gerald	Comings		\$ 200.00					
2016	Gage, Lewis & Virginia	Edminster		\$ 200.00					
2016	Aiken, Charles, Jr & Patricia	Edminster		\$ 400.00					
2016	Cartrell, David & Anne	Huggins		\$ 600.00					

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**Marriages Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

DATE	PERSON A's NAME	RESIDENCE	PERSON B's NAME	RESIDENCE
03/19/16	Putnam, Matthew D	Cornish	Fielder, Sonya L	Cornish
05/28/16	Barley, Barron	York, PA	Fitch, Karen	York, PA
08/06/16	Meagher, Philip	Somerville, MA	Desauniers, Andrea	Somerville, MA
09/24/16	Bernier, Shane	Goshen, NH	Bryant, Kate	Goshen, NH
10/01/16	DeLaura, Matthew	Lebanon, NH	Clark, Cara	Lebanon, NH
10/15/16	Tucker, Jason G	Cornish	Ardagna, Melissa A	Cornish

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**Deaths Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

DECEDENT'S NAME	DEATH DATE	DEATH PLACE	FATHER'S/PARENTS NAME	MOTHER'S/PARENT'S NAME PRIOR TO FIRST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION
Lenz, Derwood	01/09/16	Lebanon	Lenz, John	Richardson, Thelma
Wilkie, Arnold	03/01/16	Cornish Flat	Wilkie, Glea	Day, Nina
Calahan, Travis	03/07/16	Cornish	Calahan, Loel	Koffman, Leigh
Rushia, Collene	03/09/16	Cornish	Spencer, Erwin	Holt, Helen
Smith, Michael	05/10/16	Lebanon	Smith, Thomas	Corricea, Jean
Deboer, Dayne	05/19/16	Cornish	Deboer, Stephen	Rice, Regina
Stone, Marion	07/04/16	Cornish	Rollins, James	Butterfield, Lizzie
Chilton, Geraldine	08/15/16	Claremont	Bristol, Alan	Eastman, Muriel
Morse, Harold	08/17/16	Claremont	Morse, Harold	Conner, Irene
Stevens, Kathryn	08/17/16	Lebanon	Shippee, Amasa	Lane, Catherine
Sullivan, Charles	09/08/16	Cornish	Sullivan, Frederick	Buinicky, Shirely
Evans, Eleanor	10/03/16	Claremont	Gilson, Jason	Hartford, Lillian
Duval, Paul	12/18/16	Cornish	Duval, Robert	Rock, Margaret

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**Births Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

CHILD'S NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	FATHER'S/PARTNER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
Beckwith, Eliza Louise	02/15/16	Lebanon, NH	Beckwith, Jonathan	Beckwith, Calah
Sharff, Eleanor Margery	03/12/16	Lebanon, NH	Sharff, William	Sharff, Larissa
Fitch, Hudson Brewster	03/15/16	Lebanon, NH	Fitch, Courtland	Fitch, Deanna
Heaton, Theodore Aldo	03/27/16	Cornish, NH	Heaton, Erik	Heaton, Samantha
McAndrew, Claire Marie	04/20/16	Lebanon, NH	McAndrew, David	McAndrew, Stephanie
Hewes, Eleanor Catherine	05/21/16	Lebanon, NH	Hewes, Tyler	Hewes, Heather
Pike, Alexandra Souksavanh	06/23/16	Lebanon, NH	Pike, Craig	Pike, Namone
Meeker, Meoldy Sky	08/26/16	Keene, NH	Meeker, Joshua	Murphy Crystall
Milliken, Emmett Charles	09/06/16	Lebanon, NH	Milliken, Craig	Milliken, Jennifer
Cook, Sylvia Sara	11/29/16	Lebanon, NH	Cook, Jesse	Cook, Hilary

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2016

The Cornish Selectboard remained unchanged in 2016. The Highway Department took delivery on a new 2017 International Truck. The Road Crew did preparation for paving of Cornish Stage Road and School Street, also, new LED lighting and ceiling fans for the Highway Garage. This was done with a 50% matching grant through the power company. Several town owned properties acquired through tax deed were sold. This will put those properties back on the tax rolls.

The Selectboard updated some expired historical barn easements. This process is mandated to be updated every 10 years. The Board has been conducting site visits for all building permits. Due to lack of space in the Administrative Assistant's room, the Selectmen moved across the hall into the old conference room. The Town Treasurer now has her own desk with access to the computer and copier. The granite benches purchased by the James Kibbey Estate were installed at the Veterans Memorial. Four new "Welcome to Cornish" signs and granite posts were purchased and will be installed in the spring. The Hazard Mitigation Plan mandated by the state every 5 years was updated. A new Historic Building Committee was formed to assess the need of the town buildings. The cellar and floor of the town office was supported and insulated with foam.

The Town underspent the budget by \$79,000. This gives us a very healthy fund balance.

The winter has been weather of wild temperature swings. We have had a lot of ice and the sand pile has been shrunk more than usual. The Board has worked hard to spend town money prudently without sacrificing services and safety. Thank you to all the citizen volunteers and town employees who keep the town running smoothly. We encourage your concerns and opinions. Please come in if you have any.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Selectmen

AGING IN PLACE 2016

Cornish Aging in Place is a local volunteer committee dedicated to providing information and resources to elders who wish to remain in their homes with dignity, comfort and safety for as long as possible. Cornish is one of many communities now mobilizing to meet the needs of a growing elderly population as assisted living and nursing homes become economically prohibitive for so many of our aging citizens.

One of the committee's major projects was to produce a full-color resource booklet that is now available to every Cornish Senior. Copies of this booklet have been reviewed in Maine and Vermont, and it is considered by many to be a model for other towns in Northern New England. The \$1000 required for producing 500 copies was raised through donations within the Aging in Place committee. Special thanks to graphic designer Barbara Jones, a former Cornish resident, for donating many hours of her time to help us complete this very special project.

Committee members Jan Lord and Jody Schubert have prepared a questionnaire to help us determine present and future needs of Cornish elders. Their goal is to eventually reach every Cornish resident over 60 years of age. They are also prepared to assist residents with advanced directives.

Beginning in January, 2017, the committee initiated a monthly intergenerational letter writing project involving Cornish fifth graders and nine elder residents. Our thanks to fifth grade teacher Beth Tilton-Wahlert for her enthusiasm and organizational skills in getting this project successfully launched.

Aging in Place works very closely with the Cornish Neighbor to Neighbor organization, a group of volunteers who continue to assist elders and disabled Cornish residents with simple projects or services. Each year the Neighbor to Neighbor group organizes a winter wood project where several cords of wood are processed and provided free of charge to families who are economically challenged. Anyone interested in joining this wonderful group should contact Laird Klingler, coordinator. This is a great opportunity to reach out and provide a helping hand to our senior neighbors here in town.

Working together with Neighbor to Neighbor, Volunteers in Action, and our General Assistance Department, Aging in Place remains dedicated to providing resources, information and services to individuals who need our help in order to remain in their homes as long as possible.

It takes many volunteers and caring individuals to successfully accomplish our goals. Our deepest thanks and appreciation to all who so willingly give of their time, their financial support and their services to make this possible.

It is this spirit of caring and community that will keep our town vital and strong.

Connie Kousman
Martha Zoerheide
Nancy Newbold
Leigh Callahan
Liz Gage
Laura Cousineau
Jan Lord
Jody Schubert
Reigh Sweetser

ROWLEY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
2016

We have audited the reports of the Treasurer, Tax Collector and Town Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Management's Responsibility for the Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this report 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 the schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the report 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 report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks or material misstatement of the report, 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 report 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 schedule.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the report referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the account balances and activity of the Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Other Matters

The report has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

Rowley & Associates, P.C.

**CEMETERY DEPARTMENT
2016**

The Cornish Cemetery Department had another very busy and productive season. While keeping the cemeteries and town properties mowed and trimmed, we straightened stones at all the cemeteries and we worked on taking down the old wire mesh fence at Edminster Cemetery. This year we plan on installing surplus granite posts to define the boundary line.

We would like to thank Wayne Gray and the Cornish Highway Crew, John McNamara, Paul Rheume, Alan Tewksbury and Sean Witty for all of the assistance this past season.

Also, a big thank you to Mary Curtis, Administrative Assistant, for all of the behind scenes work, answering questions and helping with the paperwork.

Thank you also to Mike Stringer of Stringer Funeral Home, for his experience and assistance; Leo Maslan, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and parents who placed veterans flags in all of the cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Spaulding, Cemetery Sexton
Chuck DeAngelis

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
2016**

Bill and Jennifer Lipfert received the 2016 Annual Cornish Conservation Award at last year's Town Meeting. This award recognized the Lipfert's efforts in permanently protecting the southern entrance to Town on Route 12A by placing conservation easements on over 150 acres of land on both sides of the road and contiguous to the Town Forest.

The Monitoring Committee, chaired by Rickey Poor, scheduled and completed monitoring walks on all seven conserved properties for which the Town of Cornish is first easement holder. No violations of easement terms were found. The Commission continues to appreciate the cooperation of the landowners in scheduling these walks and especially appreciates the number of landowners who accompany us.

The Upper Valley Land Trust was able to obtain financing through both State and Federal sources to help the Sprague family place a conservation easement on the Putnam Farm along Route 12A. This easement is on both sides on the road and permanently preserves more of the Connecticut River bank. We thank the Upper Valley Land Trust and the Sprague family for this gift to all of us and welcome Edgewater Farm to Cornish.

Last fall, the Commission did maintenance work on all the CREA trails. We appreciate the help given us by non-commission members.

The Education Committee held a spring "Tick Talk" by Frank Parks and sponsored a very interesting talk on bobcats by the HN Dept. of Wildlife. The Commission also purchased the volunteer program books for the Four Winds Nature Program at the Cornish Elementary School (grades pre-K to 4th). Funding came from the Palmer Fund.

Using a grant from the Claremont Savings Bank, the Commission collected 10 water samples, in the late fall, from streams in town. With the help of a retired Biochemist we will analyze the results and send a report of our findings to the Selectmen for their review.

Appointed Members

Jim Barker, Chairman	Steven Wilkie
Bill Gallagher, Vice Chairman	Dale Rook
Rickey Poor, Secretary	Jenny Schad
Corey Fitch, Treasurer	

Alternates

John Berry	Bob Bulkeley
Deanna Fitch	Reyer Jaarsma

John Hammond, Select Board Representative

ENERGY COMMITTEE

2016

Mission Statement: The Town of Cornish takes local steps to save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

The Energy Committee (CEC) continued to join our collective energies with Plainfield Energy Committee. We continued with residential solar installations under the title *Ready for Solar* in which 11 more were added within our two towns. How did we do it? There was a Solar Installers Expo in February, Open Houses during the summer, and a presentation called Solar 101 by Steve Ladd.

We have recently designed a brochure called *Save Energy?- When applying for a building permit, consider adding solar*. This brochure explains how to maximize your energy savings. Other options to consider besides solar are home energy efficiency improvements, energy efficient appliances, heat pumps, and geo-thermal.

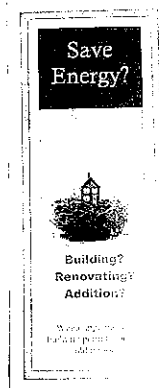
We are now educating ourselves about the national initiative by Sierra Club called *Ready for 100%*. Regionally, towns are joining this campaign aiming for 100% renewable electricity by 2030. Clean energy keeps money in local government coffers. Clean energy creates local jobs. Clean energy saves people money. Clean energy cuts pollution and saves lives.

We are making plans to offer monthly presentations about renewable energy. The first one will be held in March. The title is *What's the big deal about carbon?* In April we are planning a workshop called *What If? Having fun with an environmental simulator*. We would like to include our children in the workshops! Have you got any ideas? Well then...

Consider joining the Cornish Energy Committee. We are looking forward to meeting you!

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Boyle (Chair), William Cable, Janice Orion, Joanna Sharf, and Nancy Wightman.



**Cornish Fair Association
2016**

This was our 67th year in bringing the best and largest 4-H dairy fair in the State of New Hampshire. We've had yet another good year with an about average attendance. Each year the fair directors try extremely hard to add something new as well as keep a lot of historic aspects as well. There are many things that happen on the fairgrounds throughout the year that most people may or may not notice, here is a list of this year's changes for 2016:

- New concrete retaining wall and railing around pulling ring
- 2 sets of new bleachers for the pulling ring
- Additional bleacher seating around pulling ring
- Improved electrical access along woodsman ring
- Additional hard pack was added between the pulling and woodsman ring to improve smoother surfaces for physically challenged patrons.

New Entertainment and Attraction changes for 2016:

- Santa Croce Band
- Cash is King (Johnny Cash Tribute)
- The Dirty Looks Band
- Annie Brobst Band
- Eyes on Owls
- Josh Landry – Chainsaw Artist

This year we had a new food vendor who provided us with a phenomenal tasting experience of Maple. Our dear friends from McNamara Dairy in Plainfield provided treats like: Maple Creemees, Maple Popcorn, Maple Sugar Topping, etc. We are looking forward to seeing them again next year.

Community Service

This year we saw an average participation within our Community Service Program. This program allows anyone (especially High School students) to earn community service time by helping the fair. For High School students, most require a specified amount of time as part of their graduation requirements. We will be looking to increase our participation with the local schools again. If anyone needs community service time, please contact us.

Scholarships

Each year we provide scholarships to Cornish High School Seniors as they get ready to attend a college (Community, 2 Year, 4 year or even online). If you would like to submit for a scholarship, please contact us.

Donations

We would graciously like to thank those individuals and organizations that donate to the Cornish Fair during the year. Your thankful gift of support allows us to make improvements in many different areas. The majority of our donations are requests to improve certain areas such as for the Dairy barn, horse barn, pulling rings, etc. And we certainly cannot do it alone.

As always, we would like to thank all of the Fair Directors, the wonderful volunteers and of course our sponsors that help make the fair happen each year. Please check out our Facebook page as well as our website (www.cornishfair.org) for information, updates and schedules. Thank you and we hope to see you at next year's fair on August 18, 19 and 20, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

Glenn Thornton
Cornish Fair Association Secretary

FIRE DEPARTMENT

2016

In 2016, Cornish firefighters responded to approximately 75 calls including mutual aid to other towns. Cornish had no structure fires in town but stayed busy responding to false alarms, wires down and motor vehicle accidents.

As in the past, we are always looking for new members. If you are interested in being a member of the Fire Department and are at least 18 years old, please contact me at (603)469-3572, or contact any Fire Department member.

Last year at Town Meeting, voters approved a warrant article for the repairs to the Cornish Flat Fire Station. This work was completed. Also at Town Meeting last year, voters approved another warrant article for the installation of a generator at the Town House Road Fire Station. This was a 50% matching grant. The installation was complete and the generator is up and running.

At this time I would like to thank everyone for their support to the Fire Department and also the fund raising efforts of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Robert Rice

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

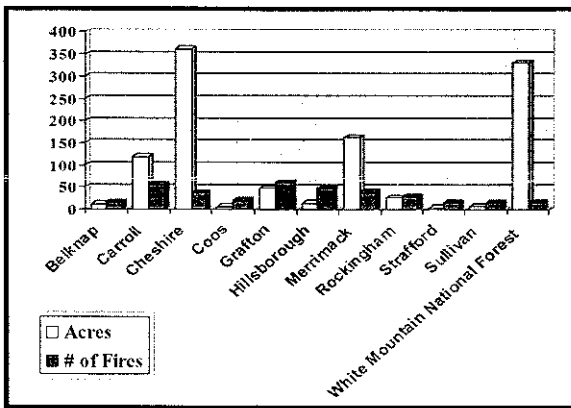
Over the past two years, New Hampshire has experienced its busiest fire seasons since 1989. 1,090 acres burned during the 2016 season. The White Mountain National Forest experienced its largest fire since becoming a National Forest, burning 330 acres in the town of Albany in November. Fires falling under state jurisdiction burned 759 acres, with the largest fire of 199 acres occurring in Stoddard. The extremely dry summer led to a busy fall fire season with large fires occurring into mid-November. Drought conditions hampered fire suppression efforts and extended the time needed to extinguish fires. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked tirelessly throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2016 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2017 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfi.org.

2016 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 2016)



HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

(These numbers do not include the WMNF)

Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.*
15	85	35	10	12	2	18	9	148

(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

GARDEN CLUB 2016

The Cornish Garden Club, in its 63rd year, had an active season filled with several spring and fall meetings, inspiring summer garden tours, the annual May Silent Auction, July picnic, Autumn Seed Swap, a painting workshop, and December Tea Party (with Yankee Swap and collection for the Windsor Food Shelf).

Meetings featured speakers on a variety of gardening topics:

- All about Dahlias with Emily Cleaveland
- Native Woodland Terrariums with Morgan Perrone
- The Art of Shade Gardening with Kerry Ann Mendez: Co-sponsored with the Hartland Garden Club
- Shaker Herb Gardens with Happy Griffiths: Co-sponsored with the Cornish Historical Society
- “Willow, A Collaboration with Imagination” with Brian East

In the spring, members planted flowers at the library, on the town green, in the Spirit Garden next to the Town Offices, and in the Bridge Garden across from the Cornish entrance to the covered bridge. The Bridge Garden was planted with red geraniums and assorted colorful annuals and then replanted in the fall with autumn mums.

The club ran a very successful flower show and raffle in its assigned flower and meeting room in the Cornish Elementary School during the Cornish Fair. The club’s biggest fundraiser is the raffle, featuring a large variety of donated items from local businesses, gardeners and artists. Many fair goers look forward to this raffle every year. A great success!

After reviewing a thoughtful and impressive essay and having an in person chat/interview, The Scholarship Committee presented a check for \$150 to a deserving local agriculture student.

Many interesting meetings are planned for 2017.

Anyone interested in more information regarding the club or membership please contact Peggy Ogilvy at 617-680-7528 or pogilvy@comcast.net.

The club has a Facebook Page: The Cornish Garden Club!

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Ogilvy

**GENERAL ASSISTANCE
2016**

In general it has been a busier year, and there were several programs in which the General Assistance Director and volunteers became more actively involved. Of note, the expansion of programs available to Cornish residents is done almost entirely with no impact to the General Assistance budget. With that said, we also finished the year well within our budget. Marie Derusha continues to be a committee member. Although Nancy Newbold resigned from the committee last year, she continues to be available to assist in many ways.

We send our most sincere thanks to local agencies, organizations and individuals who have helped us help others. We equally appreciate that there are many within our community that choose to remain anonymous in their aid. Specific thanks goes out to Reverend Dale and the United Church of Cornish, Stephanie Schell, Community Resource Room and Food Pantry in Plainfield, Willing Hands, Neighbor to Neighbor, Cornish Elementary School Staff, Volunteers in Action and Scout Troop 332. Also much thanks goes out to Fire Chief Bob Rice and the Cornish Selectboard for allowing us to use the Route 120 Fire Station on Wednesdays for Willing Hands Produce drop.

After much research and discussion, in the summer of 2016, Willing Hands Produce Drop was relocated to the Route 120 Fire Station. Much thanks goes out to Reverend Dale for the years that she allowed her garage space to be used for the produce drop. With the aid of Nancy Newbold, Jane and Fred Walters, Audrey Jacquier, Char Delabar, Jess Palmer, Lois Fitts and Melanie Aguiar, the relocation has been a huge success. Well into the fall, with the aid of Willing Hands, BJ's Fresh Rescue, Stephanie Schell and residents in Cornish, Plainfield and Meriden we have had a large supply and variety of fresh produce which allows many to eat healthy and stretch their grocery budget. Even with the growing season over we continue to offer an excellent variety of choices. On any given Wednesday there is a community of people who gather not only to obtain food, but to visit and catch up with each other.

Also happening in summer 2016, the Community Resource and Food Pantry in Plainfield added a 2nd opening each month that is run by General Assistance of Cornish. With this addition residents of Cornish, Plainfield and Meriden are able to obtain food and other essential needs twice a month. Thanks to the extreme efforts of Stephanie Schell much of the foods are donated through NH Food Bank and other food programs. Necessary items not provided through programs and donations are purchased with resources from the General Assistance funds of both Plainfield and Cornish.

The food pantry housed at United Church of Cornish vestry continues to be available on an on demand basis by notifying Reverend Dale.

To enable a tracking system for the town's wood supply at the Recycling Center a voucher form was developed. Anyone who is in need of firewood must obtain a voucher from the General Assistance Director prior to being able to obtain up to a cord of wood per heating season. Much thanks to Neighbor to Neighbor and other volunteers who have cut, split and stacked the wood and also delivered wood to those in need who do not have the ability to pick it up on their own.

For the Christmas season a Giving tree was place for Community Members to make a difference for several in Cornish.

Once again we want to stress the importance of residents planning ahead as much as possible. If you or someone you know finds yourself struggling with paying for rent, mortgage, food, fuel, electric or other basic needs connect with us before finding yourself in an extreme situation. Very often there are ways we can assist in helping people get back on their feet and once again regain their independence.

Pamela Annis
Marie Derusha

GEORGE H. STOWELL FREE LIBRARY

2016

With the passing of 2016, the Trustees and Librarian at the G.H. Stowell Free Library would like to express our gratitude to the many volunteers who have donated their time to the library. Richard, Ginny, Judith and Krista keep us open on Mondays. Caroline, Char, Stephanie, Leigh and Kate provide a friendly atmosphere on other days during the month. In addition to the regularly scheduled volunteers, we have several substitutes ready to step in when asked. We are very thankful for the willingness of all of these folks to staff the library when needed.

Leigh Callahan leads the book discussion group on the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Books are selected by the group and provided by the library to anyone wishing to participate. Everyone has a say in the book selections and discussions are lively! New members are always welcome.

The library trustees evaluated the need to make some improvements to the library in the upcoming year. Proposals for repairing the plaster on the ceiling and for updating electrical, including new lighting, were requested. In addition, Kate Freeland was successful in her grant request to the James Tasker Covered Bridges Fund, and the library received \$1000 to buy new furniture. Items will be purchased early in the new year.

The library renewed its subscription to Overdrive, the electronic book service. In 2016 we recorded 138 books and 31 magazine requests. With this service, patrons can access reading material from their own electronic devices whether they are at home or on the go. Patrons need to contact the library to obtain access.

In 2016, 1443 patrons visited the library; 1733 books and audio books were loaned out; 314 movies were borrowed; 71 magazines were checked out; 18 people used the copier; and the computer was used 92 times. Wi-Fi is still available inside as well as just outside the building. The library continues to be an active member of New Hampshire's inter-library loan system. We regularly lend to and borrow from other libraries within the state including colleges and universities.

The library received a generous donation from the estate of Sheryl Hahn. Dozens of good quality videos were given to the library and are now available to library patrons.

Thank you to everyone who supported the library by donating time, money, or materials. We do our best to use donated materials and, even when we cannot, we appreciate your consideration.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
2016**

This year was a busy time. We upgraded the lights and had ceiling fans installed. The sand screen was replaced and the bunker was rebuilt.

Cornish Stage Road and School Street were prepared, and both roads were resurfaced. Shoulder work was done after paving to preserve the pavement.

The 2002 International Truck was refurbished and a new 2017 International Automatic Dump Truck was purchased fully setup with plow, wing and new sander.

We would like to thank Paul Rheaume for his years of service with the Town and wish him best of luck in his retirement.

We would like to thank the Selectboard and Mary Curtis for working with us on all the projects that happened this year.

I would like to thank the Highway Crew for the great work done this year. As always, they are there whenever needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Gray, Road Agent

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY
2016**

The Cornish Historical Society (CHS) had a busy and rewarding year. Our four meeting programs gave us the following:

1. Insight on the how and why New England acquired its thousands of miles of stone walls.
2. The impact of local Shaker herbal gardens on medicinal remedies.
3. The role that New Hampshire citizens played in the Underground Railroad during the Civil War.
4. The basics of pursuing family genealogies.

Our Librarians, Laird Klingler and Steve Bobin, increased the History Center open hours from once a month to every Saturday until the arrival of snow. Access to the Center and Meeting House displays are available anytime by appointment. We now have internet access at the center and we are also excited about our important oral history filming project organized by Laird with filming by Billy Sharff. Thanks also to Matt Wood, you can view the filming on you tube. Check it out at www.cornishnh.net and go to Cornish Historical Society collections and click under Cornish history on you tube.

CHS continues to support the Cornish Elementary School with over \$1,200 for the 8th grade trip to Washington D.C., book awards, and Cornish phone book. An Eagle Scout project was awarded \$1,000 from our grant program to support granite post restoration on the Meeting House Green.

Cornish residents are encouraged to apply for the CHS grant for history related projects. Application is required to CHS at 488 Town House Road by April 1st.

All are encouraged to attend our meetings held four times a year. Time and location are posted on ConnectCornish and in the local papers. The meetings and programs for 2017 are as follows:

May features “The Return of Lincoln” to St. Gaudens NHS at the Town Office Building.

June will find us gathering at the Meeting House for a program of viewing and sharing stories about flower vases from personal collections by members of the Cornish Garden Club and Cornish Historical Society.

September and October programs feature NH Humanities Council programs by Steve Taylor and Glen Knoblock and will be held back at the Town Office Building.

The History Center on School St. will open on Saturday from 9-12 when warm weather returns in the spring. You may visit the Center by appointment by calling (603) 675-6448.

Officers include Stu Hodgeman, President; Jim Atkinson, VP and Archivist; Dale Rook, VP; Caroline Storrs, Secretary; Bill Caterino, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
Stu Hodgeman, President

MEALS-ON-WHEELS 2016

History

The Meals-on-Wheels (MOW) program delivered its first meal in Philadelphia, PA, in 1954. The program was modeled after a similar program that was started in England to support seniors during World War II. In 1972, the Federal government made the program a permanent program through the implementation of the Older Americans Act. The act provides a basis for providing meals to seniors (60 years or older) or people with qualifying disabilities. As an integral part of the act, the framework for funding not only involved federal support but also monies from local sources, 15% to 20% to be raised from local support (counties & municipalities), with the balance derived through private donations. Obviously these are general guidelines, but it points out that community participation and personal commitment are key elements.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services (SCNS) started its participation in the Meals-on-Wheels program in 1972, and operated out of a department store's basement in Newport. The initial program served 25 meals per day and had an initial operating budget of \$20,000. In 1980, the program established meal sites in Claremont and Charlestown to meet an ever growing need for service. Forty-three years later we are serving over 131,000 meals per year. All but two communities in Sullivan County receive meal services through this program (Plainfield and Langdon). We have not received any requests from these communities. Should there be a request we would make every accommodation to service the request.

Community Support

SCNS requests each community that is being served to support the MOW program. Our request reflects the number of meals and individuals that have been served in your community during the past year and the historical trend that has been experienced. If your community is not served, no money is requested. If your community has few meals and people being served historically, then it is conceivable that your requested support would be reduced. Should your community have an increase in meals served, a modest increase is often requested. The bottom line is that we simply ask for support that is commensurate with the degree of service provided and seldom is equal to the total cost of service. Any difference is raised through private donations, and is consistent with the funding formula that was put forth by the Older Americans Act.

SCNS

Sullivan County Nutrition Services is a part of the Newport Senior Center, a 501(c) 3 organization. SCNS operates three congregate meals sites in Newport, Earl Bourdon Center (Claremont) and at the Town Office Complex in Charlestown. We have an annual independent audit performed each year and must comply with all aspects of the program grant guidelines. Oversight is provided by the State of NH Department of Elder and Adult Services. We encourage communities to visit us and to discuss any questions they have about any aspect of the program. Thank you in advance for your support.

MEETINGHOUSE 2016

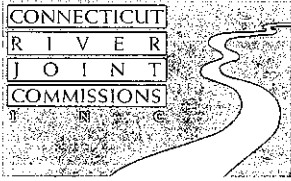
The Meetinghouse has spent the last year implementing the final phase involved in the improvements outlined in a Land and Heritage Community Investment Program (LCHIP) grant. We are pleased to have all the improvements completed at the end of this year, 2016. The improvements completed are as follows:

- Slate roof repaired
- Two chimneys repointed
- Rotted clapboards and trim removed and replaced
- Exterior scraped and painted
- Concrete on south side removed; replaced with crushed ledge
- First floor windows repaired
- Added new storm windows to windows on gable end, over doors and mezzanine windows
- Window shutters repaired
- Fan on front façade repaired
- Handicapped accessible ramp constructed
- Replaced decking on front steps and porch
- Removed and replaced front porch railings
- Entryway light replaced
- Plaster in foyer removed and replaced
- Foyer walls and floor repainted
- Meeting room walls and floor repainted
- Foyer light replaced

The trustees held a gathering in November to celebrate and acknowledge the many, many people who gave their time and expertise to make this project a success. The trustees would like to acknowledge the support of the Selectboard, Leo Maslan and his Scouts, the people of the Cornish community, and so many others who welcomed and invested time and materials in its repair. At the celebrations, we asked people for their ideas of how we might better serve the community, and Connie Kousman came forward with an idea to have a monthly community sing group who meet in the Meetinghouse. We are excited about this endeavor and look forward to offering this new group a warm and pleasant place to gather.

The trustees would again like to thank Susan Schad, Keeper of the Key, and Mathew Lewis and Jim Smith, The Clock Winders, for their faithful and constant support.

Caroline Storrs, Chairperson
George Edson, Treasurer
Susan Chandler, Secretary



Connecticut River Joint Commissions
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Mt. Ascutney Subcommittee Annual Report - 2016

The Mt. Ascutney Subcommittee of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions consists of two volunteers nominated by each of the following municipalities: Hartland, Windsor, Weathersfield, Springfield, and Rockingham in Vermont; and Plainfield, Cornish, Claremont and Charlestown in New Hampshire.

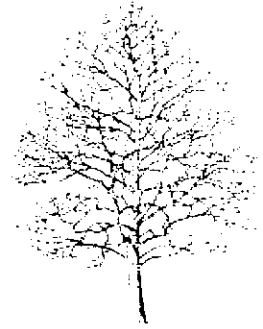
The Subcommittee meets approximately every two months to discuss and act on a variety of river-related issues. Specific responsibilities include providing advice to NHDES, VANR and municipalities on matters pertaining to the river; reviewing and commenting on proposed permits and plans; and developing and periodically updating a corridor management plan. As appropriate we work in coordination with other river conservation and planning organizations, such as the Connecticut River Watershed Council, the Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission, and Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission.

Subcommittee members bring a valuable contribution of expertise and local knowledge to the table for the assistance of landowners, municipalities and state agencies. This year Subcommittee members represented the interests of the River and its resources, as well as landowners and local municipalities, in the federal relicensing process for TransCanada's Bellows Falls hydroelectric facility. Comments were submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) regarding bank erosion and the need for mitigation funds to assist property owners with damage caused by riverbank erosion.

Twenty people gathered for the Subcommittee's annual Septic Smart workshop which was held in Springfield this year. The Subcommittee also reviewed New Hampshire's boat accesses and boat access maps for the N.H. Public Water Access Advisory Board. In addition, members assisted with an inventory of boat launch speed limit signs, which resulted in the production and installation of signs with New Hampshire speed limits at Vermont Fish & Wildlife and TransCanada launches (N.H. laws govern activities on the river.)

There are currently openings on the Subcommittee in several communities. If you are interested in working with volunteers from area communities on river conservation issues, and serving as a liaison to your municipal boards, please contact our Planning Coordinator Tara Bamford (tara.bamford@crjc.org) for more information.

Cornish Planning Board



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Meeting the first and third Thursday of each month, the Cornish Planning Board held eight hearings on applications in 2016. All applications were approved. Due to the number of applications received by the Planning Board and to the associated noticing requirements regulated by state statute, the postage and advertising lines of our budget were overspent; however, these expenditures were offset by application fees received.

The Cornish Master Plan is due to be updated in 2019. This past year, Board explored the option of an online survey, but after careful consideration, the Board found that a paper survey would be the best way to receive the broadest possible spectrum of community input. Updating of the Master Plan is required by RSA 674:2, and we have requested an appropriation to cover these anticipated costs of this phase of the update. All meetings and hearings are open to the public, and all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Planning Board currently has two openings for alternates. Any Cornish resident interested in serving should contact the Board of Selectmen.

2016 ACTIONS

Annexation

Johannes Glorie	Town House Road	<i>approved</i>
Eugene Lattuga & Maureen Walsh	Fast Road	<i>approved</i>
Paul Mooney	South Deming Road	<i>approved</i>
Paul & Marilyn Rondos	Harrington Road	<i>approved</i>
Luranah Wadsworth & Nicholas Charles	Tandy Brook Road	<i>approved</i>

Scenic Road Hearing – Tree Removals

Eversource	Platt, Whitten Cemetery & Saint Gaudens Roads	<i>approved</i>
NH Electric Co-op, Inc.	Paget Road	<i>approved</i>

Site Plan Review

Doug & Betty Miller	Town House Road	<i>approved</i>
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2016 MEMBERSHIP

Bill Lipfert, Chair	Gail McKenzie
Gwyn Gallagher, Vice-Chair	Jay Young
Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary	Scott Baker, Selectboard Representative
Mary Mancuso	David Hascman, Alternate

**Police Department
2016**

The Town of Cornish continued to see a low level of crime during 2016. Our town had a mere 4 burglaries, 12 thefts, and 2 assaults. While we classify all of the crimes we did have as minor, compared to other towns, these eighteen incidents affected residents in our town personally. We continue to strive towards ZERO, a target we may never reach, but will always continue to try.

I am happy to report that we did not have ONE single under age alcohol arrest during 2016. Our stance on being tough on this type of behavior is hopefully working.

We successfully obtained a grant to pay for 50% of the emergency generator for the Townhouse Rd Police and Fire Station. This equipment was installed in December and is functioning. This will be a great asset during our many wind, snow and ice storms that cause prolonged power outages in our town. Cornish PD was also the recipient of a grant that will place printers in our two cruisers for the purposes of the State of NH's E-Ticketing project. By automating this process, it will allow for less duplicate data entry, less chance of errors, and allow for people to handle their tickets on line.

Lastly, we continue to raise funds to replace our second cruiser. As of this writing, we have over \$ 32,000 of the needed \$ 37,500 to replace this critical piece of equipment. I want to personally thank everyone that has donated to this cause. This is one reason that Cornish is THE place to live and work.

Please remain alert to unusual situations in your neighborhood and feel free to call the police department with this information, or email us at Cornish.Police@Comcast.Net.

Proudly Serving,

Chief E. Douglas Hackett

Sergeant Corey J. Stevens
Officer Eric R. Brann

**Cornish Police Department
Call Statistics 2016 vs 2015**

Description	2016	2015	% DIFF
Abandoned Property	1	5	-80.0%
Accident	53	47	12.8%
Alarms	35	36	-2.8%
Alcohol Arrest	7	26	-73.1%
Animal	16	38	-57.9%
Arson	0	0	n/a
Assault	2	1	100.0%
Assist Fire Department	7	9	-22.2%
Assist Other Department	26	25	4.0%
Attempt To Locate	2	0	n/a
Bad Checks	0	0	n/a
BOL	5	10	-50.0%
Building Checks	0	1	-100.0%
Burglary	4	3	33.3%
Check Well Being	18	13	38.5%
Civil Matters	14	10	40.0%
Community Service	11	6	83.3%
Court Order Check In	2	6	-66.7%
Criminal Mischief	7	4	75.0%
Criminal Threatening	2	0	n/a
Trespass	3	0	n/a
Department Requests	3	2	50.0%
Disabled Vehicles	6	18	-66.7%
Dog Complaints	36	31	16.1%
Domestic Disturbances	4	14	-71.4%
Driving While Intoxicated	7	5	40.0%
Drugs	3	7	-57.1%
Escorts	2	1	100.0%
Fights	0	1	-100.0%
Fingerprints	2	5	-60.0%
Fish & Game Matters	1	4	-75.0%
Found Property	9	9	0.0%
Fraud	3	3	0.0%
Harassment	12	6	100.0%
Highway Matters	33	8	312.5%
House Checks	14	15	-6.7%
Illegal Dumping	8	4	100.0%

Description	2016	2015	% DIFF
Juvenile Complaints	3	8	-62.5%
Keep the Peace	4	9	-55.6%
Licenses/Permits	0	0	n/a
Lockouts	2	3	-33.3%
Lost & Found Property	4	4	0.0%
Manner of Operation	22	37	-40.5%
Medical Emergency	5	17	-70.6%
Message Delivery	3	8	-62.5%
Missing Adults	2	0	n/a
MV Stops	226	164	37.8%
Noise Complaints	10	3	233.3%
OHRV Complaints	6	8	-25.0%
Open Door/Windows	1	2	-50.0%
Outside Detail	0	4	-100.0%
Parking Problem	2	8	-75.0%
Pistol Permits	50	35	42.9%
Police Information	23	47	-51.1%
Public Hazards	14	14	0.0%
Request Officer	24	37	-35.1%
Request Transport	2	0	n/a
Restraining Order Violation	0	3	-100.0%
Ride-A-Long	0	0	n/a
Serve Paperwork	15	11	36.4%
Sex Offender Registration	2	5	-60.0%
Sexual Assault	0	0	n/a
Shots Fired	1	5	-80.0%
Suicide Attempt	7	3	133.3%
Suspicious Activity	37	54	-31.5%
Temp Restraining Orders	2	3	-33.3%
Thefts	12	12	0.0%
Town Office Requests	2	0	n/a
Traces 911	7	4	75.0%
Traffic Problems	2	4	-50.0%
Untimely Death	0	1	-100.0%
Vin Checks	15	24	-37.5%
Wanted Persons	8	4	100.0%
Totals	871	914	-4.7%

**CORNISH RECREATION AND EDUCATION AREA (CREA)
2016**

During the year of 2016, the CREA Committee met a few times to discuss general topics and areas of concerns regarding the CREA property.

In 2016:

- Beaver Baffle to help control water levels – The beaver activity was monitored all summer and fall by Frank Parks with a replacement baffle on hand if needed. It was determined by Frank and Jim Barker that it was not necessary at this time upon meeting on November 5th. Wayne Gray was on standby to help if needed. This will continue to be monitored throughout the year.
- Trail Maintenance - On November 5th, Jim Barker, Chair of the Cornish Conservation Commission, organized a group of volunteers to clear trails of leaves and sticks before winter set in. It was a chilly, but beautiful fall morning taking about 2 hours to complete.
- Weekly mowing was completed by members of the Cornish Fair Association.
- Mowing - along the edge of the field was completed by Mike Duval.
- Haying – The fields were hayed prior to the Cornish Fair by the Rices. Manure which was placed there in the fall will be spread this spring to help bring the grass back.
- 4 Winds – A science program benefiting students at the Cornish Elementary School in grades Pre K- 4th was able to utilize the property as an outdoor classroom with a thank you to Molly Young and Linda Fuerst. You may have seen various Story Walks teaching children about Frogs and Butterflies during the school year placed by Linda Fuerst. Other 4 Wind volunteers: Rickey Poor, Nancy Newbold, Peter Lynch, and Melissa Drye.
- Eagle Scout Project – Ben Healy’s Eagle Scout Project to replace the board walk from the entry of the trail by the CREA Barn to the bridge was completed during the early part of 2016.

The trail signs are due to be replaced this spring with a thank you to Nate Cass of North Country Door.

As you may or may not know, the CREA Property was dedicated on October 12, 1991. It was the dream and hard work of many including the Cornish Conservation Commission and CREA Committee members along with several members of the community. We thank those involved in the beginning and throughout the 25 years to bring a dream forward, keep this property maintained, refurbish the beautiful barn and have this property available to everyone to enjoy.

Sincerely,

CREA Committee

Dale Lawrence, Selectman

Members of the CREA Committee:

Dale Lawrence, Chair – Board of Selectmen
Jim Barker, Chair – Cornish Conservation Commission
Wayne Gray, President – Cornish Fair Association
Robert & Linda Rice, Cara Decato and
Rebecca Rumrill – Agriculture/Farming
Frank Parks – Wetlands Wildlife Committee
George Edson – CREA Barn Committee
Leo Maslan, Troop Leader – BSA Troop 332



**RECYCLE CENTER
2016**

Location: NH Route 120, North of the Flat

Hours: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM every Saturday

We collect to be recycled:

- All glass, including porcelain and ceramics
- Paper and cardboard
- Plastic except shopping bags or plastic dog food, bird seed or grain bags
- All tin and aluminum cans
- VT returnable bottles and cans
- Light iron/scrap metal

We recycled:

- 66.5 Tons of paper/cardboard
- 30.5 Tons of plastic bottles and tin/aluminum cans
- 22.5 Tons of scrap metal
- 37 Tons of glass

Travis collected 106.5 tons of rubbish

REVENUE:

- Paper and plastic - \$1,310.68
- VT returnable bottles - \$2,893.88
- Scrap metal - \$1,153.45

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike, Tom and Travis



"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

Town of Cornish, 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 <u>only one</u> benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Paper	66.5 tons	Saved 1,131 trees!

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 **222 tons** of carbon dioxide emissions
 This is the equivalent of removing **47 passenger cars** from the road for an entire year

CORNISH RESCUE SQUAD

2016

Dear Members of the Cornish Community,

Members of the Cornish Rescue Squad would like to thank you for your support both financially through town funding and through individual donations. Funding and donations are used to pay insurances, dispatch fees, vehicle registrations/maintenance, building maintenance/utilities, supplies and outfitting our members with protective clothing and other miscellaneous costs.

We are currently 22 members strong and continue to serve communities of Cornish and Plainfield with first responder EMS response prior to the arrival of the ambulance. Although our call volume was down from last year, it has been another busy year responding to 196 calls. These calls include medical calls, lift assists, and motor vehicle crashes. We also provide mutual aid response and support to the Cornish, Plainfield and Meriden Fire Departments along with EMS coverage for the 3 day Cornish Fair and coverage at summer concerts at St. Gaudens National Historic Site.

If you are interested in joining, or if you have questions, please contact either me at (603)675-2002, or Vice President, Gary Chilton (603)448-7688.

If you are interested in becoming an EMR or EMT, please contact Jim McCarragher at (603)469-3505 for more information. Training is offered through his company, Emergency Management and Training Associates, LLC.

PLEASE buckle your seat belts, change your smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector batteries at Daylight Savings times and be **SAFE**. If you need a smoke detector or batteries or help with an existing one, please feel free to contact either myself or a member of your town's fire department.

***DIAL 911 IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, BE IT MEDICAL, FIRE OR POLICE RELATED.**

***NH POISON CONTROL 1-800-222-1222**

Sincerely,

Dale H. Lawrence, President

Gary Chilton, Vice President

THE AUGUSTUS SAINT-GAUDENS MEMORIAL

CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Cornish Town Report
January 16, 2017

The Trustees of the Saint-Gaudens Memorial have been partners with the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site since 1965, working to ensure the preservation and appropriate development of the park's artistic, historical and natural resources, and to provide a variety of educational programs and activities for visitors to the park.

Also this season the Trustees will mount three exhibitions in the Picture Gallery, sponsor ten Sunday afternoon concerts, and partner with the park to provide Sculpture Workshops and an expanded the Sculptural Visions program.

The Trustees continue to look forward to playing an active role in the development and use of Blow-Me-Down Farm. The Memorial has been working on possible plans to upgrade and reuse portions of the red barn, possibly in partnership with Opera North. The Trustees have also continued to seek a name change for the park -- the Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park --that is agreeable to the NPS and more accurately reflects the breadth of resources and activities there. In addition, Trustees have been reviewing and advocating for plans for Saint-Gaudens Road that will, to the greatest extent possible, create a safe roadway while keeping the historic character of the approach to the national historic site.

We are thankful for the excellent staff at the park, including Superintendent Rick Kendall, Deputy Superintendent Christina Marts and Chief of Interpretation Stephanie Kyraizis, all of whom serve jointly at Saint-Gaudens and the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park across the river; Curator Dr. Henry Duffy and Chief Ranger Greg Schwarz. Thanks also to our Community Liaisons -- Selectman John Hammond, Gwyn Gallagher and Cheston Newbold -- who help to keep us informed about ideas from the community of Cornish that touch on the park and our programs.

SAINT-GAUDENS NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE 2016

2016 marked another successful year for both Saint-Gaudens NHS and the National Park Service nationwide. The year marked the centennial of the National Park Service as the federal agency responsible for caring for our parks, and parks around the country experienced record visitation. Saint-Gaudens NHS received 42,397 visitors in 2016. A total of 1,157 students visited the park last year. The park benefitted from the service of 60 volunteers who donated 5,977 hours of work time to the park.

In addition to the usual array of events, the park held several special events to recognize the centennial. Perhaps the most significant event was the unveiling of the new cast of "Abraham Lincoln: The Man," better known as "The Standing Lincoln," at the park. The piece was the first major monument that Saint-Gaudens completed in Cornish; in fact, it was his search for "Lincoln-shaped men" that brought Saint-Gaudens to Cornish in 1885 so this piece has special importance to the park and the Cornish community. The piece now welcomes visitors to the park on their way to the Visitor Center; and after its first summer in place, we can say that it is a real eye catcher and conversation starter. Projects like these take a lot of effort from a lot of people and organizations; the park would like to thank the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts, the Paul and Klara Porzelt Foundation, the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation, Swenson Granite Works, Campbell Plaster and Iron, and the Historic Preservation Training Center for all of their efforts on behalf of this project.

Working in tandem with our partner organization, the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, the 2016 Sunday concert series was developed with a national park theme. This included a special composition by composer Stephen Lais in honor of the centennial and inspired by Saint-Gaudens NHS, and a spunky jazz concert by park rangers and musicians from New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park. We also said farewell to our longtime Saint-Gaudens Memorial concert series director Fern Myers who retired from her position last year, and welcomed Melissa Richmond as the concert director for the 2017 season. We thank Fern for her dedicated service and her devotion to quality musical performance at the park.

The park also partnered with the New England Sculpture Association, Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller NHP and Springfield Armory NHS to host a special centennial exhibit featuring work of sculptors from throughout the region on display throughout the three parks.

The eleventh annual Sculptural Visions event in September was attended by over 400 people. The event featured a variety of sculptors demonstrating different techniques from stone and wood carving, to working with cast paper and clay, as well as demonstrations of actual bronze casting, willow bending, and performances on a Fire Organ. In addition, there were plenty of hands-on activities for children, including working with clay, creating relief sculptures by embossing foil, culinary sculpture, Lego sculpture and more.

Last year marked the 47th season for the Sculptor-in-Residence program, which is the oldest artist residency in the National Park Service. Morgan Dummitt served as our sculptor in residence this year, and offered a full slate of sculpture workshops while demonstrating his sculptural technique on a truly massive, multi-figure piece in his studio.

The Park hosted its seventh annual "Star Party" event with the Springfield Telescope Makers from the Stellafane Observatory in Springfield, Vermont. Weather for the event was perfect. The evening began with a presentation in the Bowling Green, which drew a large

crowd. People were then treated to views of deep space objects through a number telescopes set up in the field below Aspet.

Working in tandem with our partner organization, the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, the park hosted a full slate of art exhibitions again last summer. The Memorial also coordinates the concert series for the park; both the exhibitions and music program remain very popular amongst our visitors and help keep the park a living memorial to Saint-Gaudens and his artistic legacy.

Also working with the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, both organizations honored historian and author David McCullough with awards this year at a ceremony in Boston. McCullough was a frequent visitor to the park while researching his book "The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris," which focused a great deal of attention on Saint-Gaudens. The Memorial presented McCullough with the Saint-Gaudens Medal for his contributions to helping publicize the life and works of Saint-Gaudens. The National Park Service presented McCullough with the Honorary Park Ranger award in recognition of his long career of writing books that focus on National Park themes and sites.

Park staff completed several facilities projects during the year to improve the condition of the buildings and grounds. This year, three new cedar shingle roofs were installed on historic buildings at Aspet. Park staff also completed the rehabilitation of the Caretaker's Cottage Garage into a new studio and classroom workspace for sculpture workshops; the building had previously been storage for landscaping equipment. We also awarded a contract to replace the roof on the Atrium and repair the roof of the Picture Gallery. A variety of other less noticeable projects were also completed to keep our historic buildings in good condition.

In the curatorial program, we continue to run an active museum loan program and to update our displays at the park. Over the summer we continued and expanded a new museum internship program with a team of two interns and a year-long "mentor" working with staff for a comprehensive museum studies experience at the park as well as at several other area museums. The program is gaining regional and national accolades as a model in cultural resource career development for youth, and will be funded again in 2016.

With support from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Wellborn Ecology Fund, the park, Sullivan County Conservation District, and other community partners have formed a partnership to support local schools and teachers in using park and community resources to support student learning. This year, that included hosting a summer teacher-ranger from Claremont School District, Nancy Lewis. Working with the park education staff, Nancy developed a proposal for a new summer camp at the park that will launch in 2017 thanks to the generous support from the Wellborn Ecology Fund.

The park also welcomed Kerstin Burlingame as the new education lead ranger. Kerstin has spent many summer seasons working for the park's visitor services program in various capacities, and in this new role she will use her exceptional experience to build partnerships and support local teachers and schools in using the park in their curriculum. The work will build off of the excellent partnerships already in place, like the natural resource study examining mercury levels in dragonfly larvae developed in partnership with both Dartmouth College and Stevens High School.

Though it was a successful year, it was not without tragedy. In the spring, the park received word that seasonal carpenter Jonathan Fisher had passed away after a battle with cancer. Jon had worked at the park during the summer of 2015; his fingerprints were all over a variety of successful projects at the park. Then in September, New Hampshire Conservation Corps crew member Reed McWilliams drowned while swimming in the Connecticut River. Our hearts go

out to the families and friends of Jon and Reed; the work they did here at the park will not soon be forgotten.

Park staff would like to thank the members of the Cornish Police, Fire and Rescue Squads for their continued support this year. We are also thankful for our continued excellent relationship with the Saint-Gaudens Memorial who help enrich visitor experience at the park through their sponsorship of the concert and exhibitions program as well as providing support for the park's interpretive and curatorial programs.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, suggestions or ideas about the park or other areas in which the National Park Service might be of assistance to the community. I can be reached at 603/675-2175 ext. 143 or by email at Rick_Kendall@nps.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kendall
Superintendent

SPIRIT COMMITTEE
2016

Our project was the painting of the interior of the entryway of the Cornish Town Offices. The area was cleaned and prepped and then painted by spirited volunteers with steady hands and big hearts.

The doors and trim were painted in shades of soft green. We closely matched the existing wall paint and freshened up the area.

Many thanks to the volunteers who participated in this Cornish Spirit Project.

We want to thank Shelley Brookings who served on this committee and stepped down in the last year.

Watch for messages on ConnectCornish when we are ready for spring work on the Cornish Spirit Flower Bed. The flower bed was our 2015 project.

If anyone is interested in joining the Spirit Committee, please contact a committee member.

Colleen O'Neill
Bill and Kathy Wall



Statement of County Appropriations and Revenue as Voted

Form Due Date: **September 1** or within 20 days of a vote taken at a Supplemental Meeting

Instructions

This form is to be used by the county to report the voted appropriations from any annual or special meeting. The Clerk of the County Convention and the Chairperson must sign the form and file, as required under RSA 24:24, with the Secretary of State.

The completed form must be submitted to the Department of Revenue Administration by September 1 (per RSA 21:134) for the Annual Meeting or within 20 days after the vote taken at any supplemental meeting.

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division

Phone: (603) 230-5090

Fax: (603) 230-5947

<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

County: Convention Date: FY Ending:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name Last Name
Street No. Street Name Phone Number
Email (optional)

CERTIFICATE OF VOTE

This is to certify that the appropriations entered on this form are those voted by the county convention.


Chairperson Signature


Clerk of County Convention Signature



APPROPRIATIONS AS VOTED

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4110	County Convention Costs	\$2,500
4120	Judicial	
4122	Jury Costs	
4123	County Attorney's Office	\$615,251
4124	Victim Witness Advocacy Program	\$92,241
4130	Executive	\$451,146
4150	Financial Administration	\$31,000
4151	Treasurer	\$7,335
4153	Other Legal Costs	
4155	Personnel Administration	\$578,709
4191	Planning and Zoning for Unincorporated Places	
4192	Medical Examiner	\$11,000
4193	Register of Deeds	\$294,774
4194	Maintenance of Government Buildings	\$1,549,215
4196	Insurance, Not Otherwise Allocated	
4198	Contingency	\$25,000
4199	Other Expenditures: Public Health Network Grants	\$347,444
General Government Subtotal		\$4,005,615

PUBLIC SAFETY

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4211	Sheriff's Department	\$1,090,812
4212	Custody of Prisoners	
4214	Sheriff's Support Services	
4219	Other Public Safety: Grant Funded Programs	
Public Safety Subtotal		\$1,090,812



CORRECTIONS		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4230	Corrections	\$4,844,216
4235	Adult Probation and Parole	
Corrections Subtotal		\$4,844,216

COUNTY FARM		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4301	Administration	\$181,682
4302	Operating Expenditures	
4309	Other County Farm:	
County Farm Subtotal		\$181,682

COUNTY NURSING HOME		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4411	Administration	\$1,416,611
4412	Operating Expense	\$12,540,313
4439	Other Health: Nursing Home Trust Funds	\$3,400
County Nursing Home Subtotal		\$13,960,324

HUMAN SERVICES		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4441	Administration	
4442	Direct Assistance	\$5,177,616
4443	Board and Care of Children	
4446	Diversion Program	
4447	Special Outside Services	
4449	Other Human Services: Grants to Outside Agencies	\$192,500
Human Services Subtotal		\$5,370,116



7 COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICES		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4611	7 Administration	\$276,603
4619	7 Other Conservation: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Cooperative Extension Services Subtotal		\$276,603

7 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4651	7 Administration	<input type="text"/>
4652	7 Economic Development	<input type="text"/>
4659	7 Other Expenditures: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Economic Development Subtotal		<input type="text"/>

7 DEBT SERVICE		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4711	7 Principal Long-Term Bonds/Notes	\$818,992
4721	7 Interest Long-Term Bonds/Notes	\$166,957
4790	7 Other Debt Service Charges: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Debt Service Subtotal		\$985,949

7 INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4800	7 Intergovernmental Transfers	<input type="text"/>
Intergovernmental Transfers Subtotal		<input type="text"/>

7 CAPITAL OUTLAY		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4901	7 Land and Improvements	<input type="text"/>
4902	7 Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	\$174,597
4903	7 Buildings	\$465,000
4904	7 Improvements Other Than Buildings	\$142,429
Capital Outlay Subtotal		\$782,026



7 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS		
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations As Voted
4912	7 To Special Revenue Fund	<input type="text"/>
4913	7 To Capital Projects Fund	<input type="text"/>
4914	7 To Proprietary Funds	<input type="text"/>
4915	7 To Capital Reserve Fund	<input type="text"/>
4916	7 To Trust and Fiduciary Funds	<input type="text"/>
Interfund Operating Transfers Subtotal		<input type="text"/>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS AS VOTED		\$31,497,343

You have reached the end of the Appropriations section. Please review all information for accuracy before proceeding.



ESTIMATED REVENUES

7 ASSESSMENTS/TAXES

Account #	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues (Ensuig FY)
3110	Property Taxes Levied for Unincorporated Places	
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for Unincorporated Places	
3180	Resident Taxes for Unincorporated Places	
3185	Yield Taxes for Unincorporated Places	
3186	Payments in Lieu of Taxes for Unincorporated Places	
3187	Payments in Lieu of Taxes	
3189	Other Taxes	
3191	Penalties on Delinquent Municipal Assessments	
3200	Licenses, Permits, and Fees	
Assessments/Taxes Subtotal		

7 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Account #	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues (Ensuig FY)
3319	Federal Grants and Reimbursements	
Federal Government Subtotal		

7 FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Account #	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues (Ensuig FY)
3351	Shared Revenue for Unincorporated Places	
3352	Incentive Funds	
3354	Water Pollution Grants	
3355	Housing and Community Development	
3356	State/Federal Forest Land Reim. in Unincorporated Places	
3359	Other State Grants & Reimbursements: Public Health, Sheriff, VOCA, Bailiff	\$467,591
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues	
State of New Hampshire Subtotal		\$467,591



7 CHARGES FOR SERVICES		
Account #	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues (Ensuig FY)
3401	7 Sheriff's Department	\$184,502
3402	7 Register of Deeds	\$330,000
3403	2 County Corrections	\$110,000
3404	7 County Nursing Homes	\$14,180,737
3405	7 County Farm	
3406	2 Cooperative Extension Service	
3407	2 Maintenance Department	
3409	7 Other Charges: <input type="text"/>	
Charges for Services Subtotal		\$14,805,239

7 MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES		
Account #	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues (Ensuig FY)
3501	7 Sale of County Property	
3502	7 Interest on Investments	\$25,000
3503	7 Rents of Property	\$225,521
3508	2 Contributions and Donations	\$45,000
3509	2 Other Revenue from Miscellaneous Sources: <input type="text" value="HS Credits, Extradition, misc"/>	\$60,454
Miscellaneous Sources Subtotal		\$355,975

7 OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES		
Account #	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues (Ensuig FY)
3912	2 Transfers from Special Revenue Fund	
3913	7 Transfers from Capital Projects Fund	
3914	7 Transfers from Proprietary Funds	
3915	7 Transfers from Capital Reserve Fund	
3916	2 Transfers from Trust and Fiduciary Funds	
3934	2 Proceeds from Long-Term Bonds/Notes	
Other Financial Sources Subtotal		

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES **\$15,628,805**

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BUDGET SUMMARY

Total Voted Appropriations	\$31,497,343
Estimated Revenue Subtotal	\$15,628,805
Fund Balance to Reduce Tax Rate	\$2,923,576
Total Estimated Revenues	\$18,552,381
Amount Certified to be Raised by Taxes	\$12,944,962

2016 SULLIVAN COUNTY	% Proportion to County Tax*	Apportionment of County Budget
ACWORTH	2.1667%	280,481
CHARLESTOWN	5.8405%	756,057
CLAREMONT	15.3104%	1,981,929
CORNISH	3.9372%	509,668
CROYDON	1.9138%	247,742
GOSHEN	1.5758%	203,982
GRANTHAM	10.5302%	1,363,125
LANGDON	1.2080%	156,370
LEMPSTER	2.9045%	375,984
NEWPORT	9.5484%	1,236,042
PLAINFIELD	6.0408%	781,982
SPRINGFIELD	4.5803%	592,913
SUNAPEE	26.9681%	3,491,008
UNITY	2.6884%	348,008
WASHINGTON	4.7870%	619,671
* Rounded for display. Actual apportionment based on detailed figures.		
TOTALS	100.0000%	12,944,962

Don W. Hark 9/12/16

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST 2016

The year 2016 found the Supervisors busy with all the meetings which required posting, publishing and upcoming sessions to make corrections and changes to the list of registered voters.

Our meeting began in January with no party changes allowed due to the Presidential Primary held February 9th. Many hours of updating the changes followed the vote.

School District and Town Meeting found us busy with meetings and printing checklists, again followed with time entering data required by HAVA.

The month of May required meetings readying for the Primary Election to allow party changes and make corrections. May 31st was the last date voters already registered were allowed to change their party and vote on Primary Day.

August 16th found a copy of checklist posted with corrections for the Primary Election, noting a September 6th session. Nominations were certified and mailed before August 31st.

The final session for additions and corrections for the September 13th Primary Election included putting together checklists. A vote which required hours of scanning additions into the State based ElectionNet computer program to meet HAVA regulations.

October required posting and publishing notices for the General Election as well as meeting to update and register voters and printing checklists for the October 9th General Election.

Election Day found us extra busy registering voters at the polls throughout the day.

An original checklist used at the General Election was mailed to the archives in Concord following all the scanning.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Rollins, Chair
Leland Atwood
Robin Monette

**TOWN CLERK
2016**

I would like to thank the residents of Cornish for giving me the opportunity to be your Town Clerk for another 3 years, a job I love doing. This year has been quite an election year. I would like to thank my dedicated ballot clerks and supervisors of the checklist. I couldn't do it without them.

The year the Town has gone through some changes in the "IT" world with the State of NH and it has worked well. The final upgrade is called "Vision" which should be completed by the time you read this. State of NH Motor Vehicles moved to Newport in early October.

Please remember to keep your old registration when transferring vehicles as you need to surrender it at this time. If you are purchasing a new car do not let the dealership keep your registration. This is your property. Have them make a copy if needed. There is a \$17.50 charge that you have to pay for a certified copy if you do not have it when transferring vehicles.

Please remember to include a stamped envelope when renewing vehicles.

If you are traveling and will be out of town when your registration is due, you can renew your vehicle 4 months early.

Dogs are due to be licensed by the end of April. This is a state law. Please bring in current rabies information if new to town.

During 2016 the following fees were collected and submitted to the Treasurer:

Motor Vehicles	\$332,341.50
Dogs	\$ 2,536.00
Vitals	\$ 740.00
Marriages	\$ 450.00
Misc.	\$ 672.00
TOTAL	\$336,739.50

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Harthan
Town Clerk

TOWN FOREST 2016

The spring meeting and roadside cleanup were attended on April 3rd by Jim Fitch, Ed Woodbury, Doug Freeland and Ginny Prince. Topics discussed included having a Facebook page, forest inventory, trail markers, continuation of the new trail, a summer workday, Lucas Roper's Eagle Scout project, deteriorating condition of the Root Hill Rd culvert and the difficulties of getting anyone to perform a small timber harvest with the difficult mechanized access to the town forest.

Ed Woodbury and Ginny trimmed brush and cut trees to slightly increase the southern view from the lookout on September 25.

A dozen people attended the dedication of Lucas Roper's Eagle Scout project on September 30th. A large print version of the new digital map created by Lucas and Steve Wilkie is mounted at the kiosk (installed earlier by the scout troop) and protected by Lexan, with an adjacent notice board. Smaller versions of the map are mounted along the trail from Tandy Brook Rd and at the northwest entrance to the forest.

With permission of the Selectboard, Ginny set up a Facebook page for the town forest. Due to the simplicity of posting information, this format will be easier to keep updated than the webpage which is located on the town website. Search for Cornish Town Forest on Facebook.

The entries on the log at the lookout show that many people are enjoying unobtrusive visits to the forest. There are entries from southern NH and VT and out of state as well as local residents. We also learned that there has been a geocache in the town forest for quite a few years and it is rarely "found".

Many anonymous friends of the forest perform trail maintenance throughout the year. As a result, the trails were in excellent shape once again. Loop road maintenance was performed as usual.

The forest continues to be very popular for hunting, mountain biking, hiking, snowshoeing and skiing. The Eagles Ledge lean-to is available for anyone to use. Visit the town forest Facebook page and the webpage on cornishnh.net for info about the town forest, maps, and the management plan.

As in past years, the town forest budget includes no tax money. State law requires that spending any funds, donation, payment or otherwise must be authorized in the warrant, so the committee is requesting to spend up to \$1500 for trail marking materials and other miscellaneous items for repair and construction of signs, bridges, gates etc.

For more information, if you're interested in youth or community projects or to share thoughts about the town forest contact any committee member:

Ginny Prince, Chair 675-2129 virginiaatprince@gmail.com
Jim Fitch fitchfarm@gmail.com
Ed Woodbury edwoodbury@hotmail.com
Steve Wilkie stevendwilkie@yahoo.com
John Hammond, Selectboard townbos@comcast.net

VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH
Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Cornish, NH

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.


Between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, VNH made 792 homecare visits to 34 Cornish residents. This included approximately \$29,410 in unreimbursed care to Cornish residents.

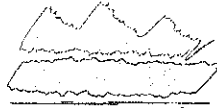
- **Home Health Care:** 440 home visits to 27 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Hospice Services:** 336 home visits to 6 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.
- **Maternal and Child Health Services:** 16 home visits to 1 resident for well baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Cornish's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,


Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)



Lake Sunapee Region 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 Cornish. 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 Cornish in the following ways:

- ⊕ Provided 329 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 15 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 105 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

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
2016**

There were four cases brought before the Zoning Board of Adjustment in 2016.

Case# 16-01, The case was a petition for a special exception to build a staircase to go down to Mill Brook. Petition was approved.

Case# 16-02, The case was a petition for a special exception to convert property from business to residential. Petition was approved.

Case# 16-03, The case was a petition for a special exception to build a 100KW Commercial Solar Electric Installation. Petition was approved.

Case # 16-04, The case was for a variance to build an addition to existing structure. Addition does not meet set back requirements. The petition was approved.

Caroline Storrs	(Chairperson)
Jason Bourne	(Vice Chairperson)
William Balch	(Clerk)
James Brown	
Bruce Tracy	
Karim Chichakly	(Alternate)
Kate Freeland	(Alternate)
Dale Rook	(Alternate)



UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBER COMMUNITIES 2016

Serving 27 communities in Grafton, Sullivan and Merrimack Counties since 1963, the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) has been providing professional planning assistance to municipal boards, along with inter-municipal planning, liaison between local and state/federal agencies, and assistance on development, public health, and environmental issues.

In 2016 Executive Director Nate Miller became the Transportation Planner at Southern New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission, and Senior Planner Mike McCrory joined the City of Claremont as their new City Planner. We appreciate their contributions, and we do miss them.

Highlights of our work and accomplishments in 2016 include:

- Responded to more than 150 requests from our towns and cities for technical assistance.
- Provided five Household Hazardous Waste Collections that served approximately 1,000 households.
- Performed Community Readiness health assessments with Enfield, Lebanon, and Newbury.
- Initiated a regional Brownfields identification, assessment, and remediation planning program.
- Trained local staff about environmentally responsible transfer station practices.
- Conducted eleven school chemical site evaluations.
- Updated local Hazard Mitigation Plans with Claremont, Cornish, and Lebanon.
- Helped Unity, Washington, and Claremont update their Local Emergency Operations Plans.
- Assisted efforts toward a Sullivan County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.
- Began the 2019-2028 Ten-Year Transportation Improvement Plan to identify and prioritize regional infrastructure improvements to be funded and constructed by NHDOT.
- Helped to identify transit and paratransit issues in Sullivan County, to restore needed mobility services, and to coordinate planning for improved public and human services transportation.
- Conducted more than 110 traffic counts across the region.
- Developed Acworth's Road Surface Management System.
- Led transit feasibility study along the I-89 corridor linking New London, Lebanon, and Hanover.
- Assisted Lebanon, Hanover, and Advance Transit with public transit signal prioritization analysis.
- Helped Lebanon with funding requests for Route 120 pedestrian and bicycle improvements.
- Provided assistance to Enfield Shaker Village and Lake Sunapee Scenic Byway committees.
- Provided Circuit Rider planning staff assistance to Orford, Springfield, Claremont, and Wilmot.
- Helped Unity, Springfield, Newport, and Claremont to comply with new Accessory Dwelling law.
- Began the Wilmot Master Plan with completion of the Community Survey.
- Began the Transportation Chapter of Claremont's Master Plan; resumed the city's Rail Trail study.
- Helped Planning Boards to evaluate Projects of Regional Impact.
- Provided administrative and staffing assistance to the Connecticut River Joint Commissions.

Please contact us at (603) 448-1680 or jedwards@uvlsrpc.org, to share your thoughts and suggestions. It is a pleasure to serve the municipalities of this region. Thank you for your support over the decades.

Jonathan Edwards, Interim Director

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 2017

Officers of the School District

Clerk	Merilynn Bourne
Treasurer	Lawrence Dingee
Moderator	Gwyn Gallagher

School Board Members

Gregory Clark, Jr.	Term Expires 2018
Melissa Drye	Term Expires 2017
Cathy Parks	Term Expires 2017
Justin Ranney	Term Expires 2018
Nicole Saginor	Term Expires 2019

Auditors

Plodzik & Sanderson

2017 Annual Report of the School Board

Cornish School Board Goals

1. To improve student achievement.
2. To build a more respectful, cooperative, and safe learning environment.
3. To increase academic rigor.

The past year for the Cornish School Board has been a very busy one! At the March Meeting the town voted to leave SAU 6 and form its own independent SAU. Much of this year has been spent in making sure the transition from SAU 6 to our own SAU 100 would be as seamless as possible. A transition committee was formed, chaired by board member Nicole Saginor where the process for transition was planned out step by step. The Board has signed contracts with WSESU for IT services and with Plainfield SAU 32 for Administrative services. Other transition items continue to take shape, including facility set up for an onsite SAU 100 office, re-branding of the SAU 100, continued to look at where SAU 100 and SAU 32 can collaborate for the benefit of the children of both districts.

The board also appointed Melissa Drye to the board to fill a vacated position for the remainder of year.

The board continued to review and update various policies to ensure the district remains in compliance with the state regulations.

Over the past year the board continued to receive updates on student performance on state testing, as well as class room achievements. We received monthly updates from the principal Jen Prileson, as well as presentations from some of the staff on use of technology in their classrooms.

The later portion of the year has been spent mainly focused on the 17-18 budget, both CES budget as well as the first SAU 100 budget. The SAU 100 budget if approved appears to be down from last year's SAU 6 budget, the main budget will be a slight increase over last years if approved.

Respectfully,

Justin Ranney, Chair Cornish School Board.



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Serving Claremont, Cornish & Unity, NH

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Cornish School District Annual Report March 2017

A letter from the Superintendent of Schools

During the past two school years, the Cornish Elementary School has experienced several important changes:

- Mrs. Jennifer Prileson's appointment as Principal of Cornish Elementary School marked one of the first important changes that would benefit students, staff, parents, as well as the entire Cornish community.
- The caliber of Cornish Elementary School's current employees is a clear indicator of the priorities, and expectations, of the school's enhanced focus on instruction, and learning.
- The Cornish Elementary School's commitment to student achievement, and intervention, has continued for the past two school years, evident by a redesigned school schedule that prioritizes intervention.

Some examples of Cornish's prioritized intervention include:

- *Students receive high-quality instruction, differentiated to meet their needs, while being screened on a periodic basis to determine if there is a need for additional support.*



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- *Students who are not making adequate progress in the core curriculum are provided with increasingly intensive instruction that is matched to their needs for additional support.*
- *Students receive individualized, intensive interventions that target each student's skill deficits not only for the remediation of existing problems, but also for the prevention of more severe problems.*
- On July 1, 2017, the Cornish School District will official leave SAU #6, and become SAU #100. With the new enhanced focus on instruction, and learning, and an improved school schedule, I am very confident Cornish Elementary School will continue to progress. ¹

New Hampshire's prior criminal history records check law restricted superintendents of schools from accessing specific criminal history information about any person applying for employment in a public school.

Since 2014, and with the support of state representatives, state senators, State Police, New Hampshire School Board Association, and local law enforcement, I have lobbied to change the New Hampshire criminal history record check law.

In July 2016, former Governor Hassan signed a new criminal history records check law now permits New Hampshire superintendents of schools to access important and confidential criminal history information of anyone who applies for employment.

¹ "Progress," in this context, is defined by each student's achievement, as well as how the school responds when any student is not demonstrating the desired achievement.



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Of all the initiatives I have been involved with since I came to New Hampshire in 2011, I am most proud of this new law, and the subsequent safety that will result by knowing a person's criminal background.

Five years ago, I wrote the following paragraph for the 2012 Cornish School District Annual Report:

Despite fiscal challenges, the Cornish School District will remain on point, and continue to view challenges as opportunities to improve. This approach of "doing business differently" will confront student learning outcomes in a forthcoming and honest manner, avoiding excuses, while always accepting ownership and responsibility.

As I complete my forty-seventh consecutive year as a public school educator, I have never been more proud of what has been accomplished.

My best wishes to the Cornish Elementary School students, staff, administration, School Board, and community members. It has been my honor, and privilege, to serve as your Superintendent of Schools during the past six years

Thank you.
Yours truly,

Middle McGoodwin, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools, SAU #6

We must always strive to measure our school's progress not only by each student's accomplishments, but also by how we respond when a student is not being successful.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Elementary School (02/10/2017)

Pre- Kindergarten	2	4th Grade	7
Kindergarten	7	5th Grade	9
1st Grade	8	6th Grade	10
2nd Grade	4	7th Grade	7
3rd Grade	11	8th Grade	15

TOTAL ENROLLMENT: 80

Public High School Enrollments (2/10/2017)

	Claremont	Hanover	Hartford	HACTC	Lebanon	Windsor	Total
9th Grade	1	0	2	0	5	4	12
10th Grade	0	0	2	0	6	4.5	12.5
11th Grade	1	0	7	2.5	5	4	19.5
12th Grade	1	1	4.5	1	4	3.5	15
TOTALS:	3	1	15.5	3.5	20	16	59

HIGH SCHOOL

	16-17	Rate \$	Total \$	17-18	Rate \$	Total \$
Stevens	3	14,500	43,500	4	14,500	58,000
Hartford	15.5	16,500	255,750	16.5	17,200	283,800
HACTC	3.5	17,100	59,850	1.5	17,500	26,250
Windsor	16	16,195	259,120	17	16,355	278,035
Hanover	1	16,195	16,195	0	0	0
Lebanon	20	15,040	300,800	20	15,761	315,220
TOTALS	59		935,215	59		961,305
Out of State			574,720			588,085
In State			360,495			373,220

Principal & Teachers ~ 2016-2017

Jennifer Prileson	Principal
Linda Coolidge	Pre K - Kindergarten
Jennifer Udelhofen	Grade 3/4
Dawn Crary	Grade 1/2
Elizabeth Tilton-Wahlert	5 & 6 Language Arts & Social Studies
Kelsey Dangelo	7 & 8 Language Arts & Social Studies
Caroline Gray	5 – 8 Mathematics
Stacey Parrott	5 – 8 Science
Kaitlyn Jones	Library Media Specialist
Rebecca Varga	Reading Specialist
Diana Fontaine (0.6)	Guidance
Patty Abraham (0.6) (BASP PT)	Physical Education
Colleen O'Connor (0.4)	Art
Alexander Judge (0.4)	K-8 Music
Patricia Guitar	Special Educator

School Support Staff

Dale Lawrence	Administrative Assistant
Mary Liz Lynch	Nurse
Michael Monette	Maintenance/Custodian
Jane Brodeur	Paraprofessional
Cheryl Ryan	Paraprofessional
Ruth Schneider	Paraprofessional – Title I
Megan Formichelli	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Valentina Fusco	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Nancy Thornton	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Anna Wood	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Sandra Redlands	Substitute Coordinator

Contracted Support

Krystal Trask	O.T.R. & C.O.T.A
Stephen Colanero	Speech/Language Pathologist
Mary Ann Salvatoriello	School Psychologist
Tina Giguere & Mary Page	Café Services

One Step Ahead Daycare (ASP)

Lisa Lashway	Director
Megan Formichelli (PT)	Site Director
Jane Brodeur (PT)	

Principal's Report 2017

The mission of the Cornish Elementary School is to educate and inspire each child to reach his or her academic potential, and to help each child develop the skills required to be a responsible person.

Cornish Elementary School's Faculty began the 2016-17 school year focusing on two primary goals: first, that 90% or more of our students would achieve growth targets in reading, writing and math; second, to continue the development of a positive school climate. These goals are an extension of what we worked on during the 2015-16 school year as we focused on raising the level of academic and behavioral expectations. To kick off the school year with goal-setting and community building in mind, we had every student go on a hike - the CREA trail for Kindergarteners, French's Ledges for Lower Wing, and Cardigan Mountain for Upper Wing students -- accompanied by all staff and several parent volunteers. Students extended their learning outside the classroom, identifying rock formations, recording observations in journals and writing reflections while engaging in challenging physical activity.

A school culture of mindfulness requires the application of higher order thinking skills and the implementation of civic-minded and caring actions. Our teachers and support staff are likewise expected to model these through instruction and management throughout the day. We have spent professional development days, release time and faculty meetings analyzing our testing data to determine the most appropriate interventions and enrichment options for student growth in math, reading and writing. We are also in the process of reviewing and revising our K-8 Science curriculum, with a plan to adopt new materials to support its instruction. During the 2017-18 school year, we will complete a similar process for Social Studies. Through these efforts, along with a focused effort on instruction and enrichment, our graduating 8th graders will be thoroughly prepared for whichever high school option they select.

Last year's schedule was modified slightly to increase the length of our RTI (response to intervention) period and provide a short morning snack and brain break for the Upper Wing students. Students are provided targeted instruction during the RTI period to improve their math, reading and writing skill levels, and to provide challenging and enriching activities for students who already perform well above grade level. During targeted instruction, teachers engage students individually or in small groups to address any deficiencies in performance; students also complete individualized lessons and gain further practice using an online program called IXL.

Enrichment includes writing for the school newspaper; performing news broadcasts captured on video and uploaded to the school's website; or creating Rube Goldberg devices and other STEM-like activities such as building snap circuits.

Beyond the primary classes and homerooms, our school specialists are critical to student success. The school counselor, nurse, special education case manager, Library media specialist, and reading and math specialists play a crucial role in a child's performance at school, whether providing physical and mental health services or specialized instruction in reading, research, writing and math. In addition, our paraprofessionals reinforce appropriate social and academic learning.

We continue to publicly recognize our students and celebrate important events at monthly assemblies. Students receive '*Student of the Month*' award certificates after being nominated by their teachers for academic achievement, effort and improvement. They also receive '*Wildcat Way*' awards, after being nominated by classmates as well as faculty, for contributing towards a positive school environment through acts of kindness and generosity. Still other students have been recognized for their creative talents and community service. Our 8th graders have taken on a leadership role with community projects, serving our Cornish residents at three of their monthly senior lunches, organizing dances and assisting with assemblies. And at our December assembly, we celebrated the collection of over 240 pounds of donated food and \$500 through a penny drive for The Haven, organized by our Student Leadership Team. Each Homeroom offered up a performance, such as haiku poems, math analyses of their donations, readings, skits and songs.

Cornish remains committed to providing time for students to refresh and re-energize their learning batteries every day through active play and social time. Playground guidelines were reviewed and updated; adult supervision includes paraprofessionals, teachers and the school principal to ensure appropriate interactions for all. Even during poor weather outside, we utilize the gym for indoor recess as students bring 4-Square, Basketball, hula hoops and jump ropes inside.

Technology has played an increasingly important role for teachers and students. All of our teachers now have interactive SmartBoards and computer tablets so students may conduct research, participate in online math lessons and practice tests, or improve their writing and editing skills.

This year we added more ChromeBooks so that each Upper Wing student is assigned his or her own in order to support their research, writing and online testing; and to provide access to online math, reading and writing programs. A cart of ChromeBooks is also available to the Lower Wing for similar purposes.

The school's bandwidth for Internet access has been doubled to meet the demand for online access. Our Library Media Specialist has created a 'MakerSpace' in our Library as part of the enrichment segment of the RTI program, to encourage all of our K-8 students to tinker, build and experiment with a variety of low and high-tech materials. She is also our Webmaster; we encourage you to check out the Cornish website, which has undergone a significant makeover! Last May our science teachers orchestrated a Science Fair, which was well attended, and displayed our students' science investigative abilities. The Robotics Club has been re-established with the help of two local volunteers, who meet once a week with a core group of very enthusiastic students.

Volunteers make it possible for us to do more with less: chaperoning field trips to local Opera House performances, Fort Number 4, and the American Precision Museum; coaching interscholastic Basketball teams; hosting and chaperoning evening dances; leading hands-on and outdoor environmental science activities in our Lower Wing with the 4 Winds group; coordinating and leading our LIFE ski program; guest teachers in our classrooms; and providing a dance performance for one of our assemblies. In addition, the Cornish Community Parent Teacher Organization (CCPTO) has been actively supporting the school through its fundraising – most notably the Cornish Fair – to provide equipment and underwrite class activities and special field trips. We are so grateful for all of these volunteers who make this possible.

Math in Focus (also known as “Singapore Math”) is our K-8 mathematics curriculum; we are now in our third year of the program. Teachers continue to receive professional development expertise during the school year and over the summer.

We are in the second year of our relatively new K-6 Reading Wonders program. Teachers are very positive about this new literacy curriculum, especially since it is aligned so closely with national standards. This program facilitates differentiation of instruction with broad and deep reading materials at every grade level, accompanied by intervention materials for readers who need more support.

Our ‘specials’ (Art, Music, P.E. and Library) are led by a superbly engaging group of faculty who love what they teach. Currently all students receive instruction once a week in Art, Music and Library; and twice a week in P.E. Our new music teacher has more than tripled the number of students taking individual or small group instrument lessons, either brass, woodwind or percussion. Our new Art and PE teachers have significantly contributed to developing student creativity and physical skills. In addition, Cornish’s school Counselor provides small group activities for students with social development needs; the Nurse and Counselor together provide instruction for grades 6, 7 and 8 that addresses adolescent issues. Later this year the music teacher and counselor are coordinating a school-wide talent show.

Fall 2016 ushered in a new era, as full-day Kindergarten became a reality. Our students experience each day filled with exploration and enrichment complemented by solid instruction in literacy and mathematics. We expect the program to continue growing and establishing a fine reputation for preparing students for their primary school years.

Throughout the year, we have worked with the SAU100 Transition team to plan for the budgetary, administrative and policy shifts that will be required to maintain and support our curricular programs and infrastructure. We will continue to collaborate with the various committees involved to make sure the launching of our new school district will be a success. One fundamental element of this endeavor is a ‘brand’ for our new district, with a clear image and tagline consistent with our educational vision and mission. This will become our district’s unique symbol that we associate with a school and community for which so many hold a deep affection.

We are grateful to all members of the Cornish community for their continued support of our school, and invite everyone to our 8th grade promotion ceremony and celebration, to be held at St. Gaudens National Historic Site on Saturday June 17, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Prileson, Principal
Cornish Elementary School

2016 Building Maintenance Report

First, I would like to thank Everett Strout for his years of service to the school.

This past summer, several projects were completed.

- The Fire alarm system was approved and put on line.
- Library improvements: new carpet, new desks, chairs shelving and painting.
- Painting in the hallways, some exterior building painting
- New cafeteria tables, new picnic tables, new UW lockers
- Paving the front parking area which continually washed out during storms.
- Fire retardant curtains for the stage
- With matching funds from NH Electric Coop, we were able to change all outside lighting to LED's.
- New heating unit in Room #3.
- New Smart Board in the kindergarten room.

The new color scheme matches our school colors of dark green and white.

The dishwasher (1983 vintage), quit in December and a new one has been purchased.

The generator relocation project required by the NHFMO was put on hold when we realized that this project entailed more work than anticipated. Upon recommendation by the State Fire Marshall's office, an Electrical Engineer was hired. It was recommended that a new electrical entrance be installed. The School Board has placed a Warrant Article for this project. This work will complete the NHFMO inspection report of violations.

The starting of school after Labor Day gave us time after the fair to get ready for the new school year. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Monette

CCPTO Annual Report 2016

CCPTO stands for Cornish Community Parent Teacher Organization. It is named Cornish Community because our mission is to enhance educational and social opportunities while strengthening school and community ties.

The following list represents programs and activities with which the CCPTO has been involved during the 2015-2016 school year.

- Open House - host, provide financial support, provide refreshments.
- Cornish Fair – organize volunteers to work admission gates
- Four Winds Science Program – provide financial support
- Field Trips and Field Trip Transportation – provide financial support
- Graduation Awards – provide financial support
- Kindergarten Welcome Kits – provide financial support
- Life Program – coordinate/provide financial support
- Playground Equipment – provide financial support
- Classroom Materials - provide financial support
- Cornish School Clothing – coordinate / sponsor
- Holiday Shop – coordinate/sponsor, provide financial support
- Yearbook – support
- Coaches Appreciation Gifts – coordinate/ provide financial support
- Inform the Cornish Community of school activities through Connect Cornish, flyers, newsletters, coordinate.
- 8th Grade Trip to Washington DC - support
- Staff Appreciation week – coordinate / finance
- Provide childcare for annual school board meeting - coordinate / finance
- Science Fair Awards and Refreshments – provide financial support
- Bi-Annual distribution of Cornish phone book starting in 2016/2017

2014/2015 Fundraisers

- The Cornish Fair – main fundraiser (raised over \$5000.00 in 2016)
- Box Tops for Education – (raised \$219.00 in 2016)
- Cornish Clothing Fall Fundraiser (raised \$353.00 in 2016)

Our goals for the 2016/2017 school year include supporting enrichment activities at our school through coordination of programs, events, and fundraising. We would like to experiment with new/different fundraisers and are open to suggestions. We are in desperate need of increasing our membership in the future in order to enable our committee to plan and support the above events and other events that highlight our students and their accomplishments. Please consider joining us. We meet the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the school library.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Newbold
CCPTO



Cornish Elementary School Nurse: Annual Report
School Health and Nutrition/Wellness Programs
School Year 2015/2016

School Health Goals for 2015/16:

Status:

- Teach CPR/AED to 8th grade & First Aid to 7th grade. *Done*
- Using the principles of Continuous Quality Improvement, continue program to decrease student injuries. *Ongoing*
- Using illness data, continue to evaluate the efficacy of the continued emphasis on prevention. *Ongoing*
- Using the quality improvement process, continue to evaluate BMI percent's. *Ongoing*
- Continue to provide education & communications for staff & parents regarding health-related issues. *Ongoing*
- Attain 100% compliance with NH State Immunization Requirements *Done*
- Continue Nutrition/Wellness activities *Ongoing*
- Upgrade School Health Program, as necessary. *Ongoing*

Quality Improvement (QI) Program: School Health:

Analysis of QI Data: Illness & Injury Data:

All students may come to the Health Office with teacher approval to get skin lotion, and Vaseline for chapped lips as needed; these visits are not counted in the Health Office statistics.

In an effort to assist parents in keeping their student healthy and to decrease respiratory illnesses, we collaborated with the NH State Immunization Program and offered an in-school vaccination clinic for prevention of Influenza. 8.6% of the students participated. Many more students received their flu vaccination from their Primary Care Providers.

The total number of nurse visits were 1312 down from 1485. Per pupil average was 13.2, down from 14.5 visits per student. 69% of visits were related to illness, up from 57% and 31% related to injury, down from 43%. The average per student illness related nurse contact was 11.2 visits. This was up from 8.3. Complaints of illness related to the respiratory tract accounted for 22.8% of all illness related nurse visits, down from 26%.

The Health Office has been evaluating the percentage of students diagnosed with Asthma since 2013/14. The number of students diagnosed has continued to increase. At present, 17% of our students have this diagnosis. There can be many reasons for this diagnosis. Depending upon age, it is not uncommon for children to outgrow the diagnosis as they grow.

In a comparison, the average number of per student injury related nurse visits were 5 visits per student. This is down from 6.4 visits per student last year. When analyzing the source of injuries, 32.8% of the reported injuries were playground-related injuries, excluding structure-related. This represents an increase from last year's 29.9%. Physical Education related injuries are decreased from 11.7% of all injury related visits to 10.8%.

27.4% of injury-related visits were from other injuries sustained in school not associated with the sources previously mentioned, e.g. paper cuts, tripping in the hall, etc. This is a decrease from last year's 30.6%. Home-related injuries resulted in 18.9% this is up from 16.9% of nurse visits. This would include falls off bikes, getting injured sledding, etc. And, after school sports related injuries increased from 3.4% of injury related visits to 5.7%.

Follow-up of QI Data: Continue to analyze injury data by source and type of injury. These data will be presented to the Principal, the PE teacher and the CES safety committee for action. Analyze illness data by type of illness.

Upgrade School Health Program:

We succeeded in getting most of the staff trained in Prevention of Exposure to Blood borne Pathogens, Use of an Epipen and Concussion Awareness.

Nutrition/Wellness Goals for Staff & Students 2015/16: Status:

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| - Nutrition: Continue involvement w/Farm to School Program | Ongoing |
| - Education: Educate students & staff regarding healthy diet | Ongoing |
| - Fitness: Stress fitness for life. | Ongoing |
| - Influenza Vaccination clinics for staff and students | Done |

Nutrition/Wellness Data: (2015-2016)

Maintaining a healthy food intake vs. exercise balance is important in maintaining good health over the course of a lifetime.

One marker of this balance is the body mass index (BMI). The score is valid for both children and adolescents but it does have some significant limitations. The **limits** of the BMI are:

* It may **overestimate** body fat in athletes and in others, whose body is muscular.

* It may **underestimate** body fat in those who have lost muscle mass.

* It may not be used alone for children and adolescents. Children put on weight prior to growth spurts. When a BMI is calculated during one of these times they may appear to be at risk for obesity or actually obese, when in fact they are in the middle of growing. Graphing the BMI as a **percentage** compared to other children the same age helps to make sense of this process.

A BMI and percent were calculated and graphed for each student. These data were reviewed with the PE teacher. These results were then compared to US, NH State and Sullivan County. We also continue the March National Nutrition Month Theme.

Regarding the goal of improving fitness, the school & community continue to invest in this goal for students via an extra day for PE & continued involvement in the LIFE Program. With the aid of a generous resident, the School was able to offer Yoga for employees. With the

assistance of Rite Aid Pharmacy, we continue to offer an Influenza vaccination clinic for employees.

Follow-up of QI Data: Continue to collect BMI's. Analyze results. Continue to stress healthy eating, limiting screen time, getting exercise an hour of every day and getting enough rest.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mary E. Lynch, R.N. School Nurse

Healthy habits for you and your family.

Healthy habits can protect you and your children. Simple actions can stop germs and prevent illnesses.

- **Cover your mouth and nose.** When you cough or sneeze, cover your mouth and nose with your elbow. If you use a tissue when you cough or sneeze, drop it in the trash. Then, wash your hands.
- **Keep Immunizations for all family members up-to-date,** including Flu vaccinations.
- **Wash your hands often.** Hand washing, with soap and warm water, can stop the spread of germs.
- **Brush and floss your teeth.** Brush your teeth at least twice a day and floss at least once per day.
- **Eat five (5) fruits and vegetables per day.** Make half of your daily grain intake whole grains. Limit soda, fast foods, candy, cookies, chips, and desserts, such as pies and cakes.
- **Eat breakfast every day.**
- **Exercise every day** for at least 30 minutes, 60 minutes is better and recommended for all children.
- **Make certain everyone gets enough rest!** Remove electronics from student's bedrooms.
- **Limit students screen time,** TV, video games, PC's, etc., to no more than 2 hours a day. This does not include time spent actually doing homework.
- **Remind your children to practice healthy habits.** Model this for them.
- **Healthy habits help reduce illnesses and sick days.** Healthy habits may help improve school and work performance.
- **Make sure your family has an Emergency Preparedness Kit and a Plan** that is known by each member.
- **Remember to check your child's hair periodically for head lice.** Due to drug resistant head lice, we follow the national standard of care, which has abandoned the "No Nit Policy" for school attendance. This policy was resulting in unusually long absences from school. Head lice are a "social" irritation and not an infectious disease. Children should not share hats, hair decorations, combs, brushes and should try to avoid pressing their heads together.

This message is from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the NH Department of Health and Human Services, and your school nurse. To learn more, please visit www.cdc.gov, www.myplate.gov, www.ready.gov/kids

ONE STEP AHEAD DAYCARE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

The One Step Ahead Daycare Cornish School Age Program operates on the 2016-2017 Cornish Elementary School Calendar. The program runs Monday-Friday from 2:55 PM-5:30 PM for a cost of \$10.00 per day, there is also an option of a homework club from 2:55 PM -4:00 PM the cost of the homework club only is \$5.00 per day.

This is a quality extension program that enriches the students to provide social, emotional, physical and academic support. Our teachers work together to maintain a safe and educational learning environment for all ranges of young children from Kindergarten to 8th Grade. Before and after daily expectations are met and include: leading children in a schedule, independent table activities, supervising snack, outdoor play, assisting children in their day to day needs, maintaining a clean environment and leading/ monitoring group collaborative play or activities.

One Step Ahead Daycare Owner/Director, Lisa Lashway, oversees the program. The Cornish program is run by 2 part time highly qualified site directors. They work together with the school staff to provide a high quality program to all children and families.

For more information, or to enroll your child in the After School Program, please contact us at info@onestepaheaddaycare.com

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Lashway

Technology in the Cornish School District

January 2017

The Cornish School District has a progressive technology program providing students, staff, and administration with technology tools necessary for innovative instruction and daily work flow. High-speed internet is available throughout the school. Wireless internet access is available throughout the school. We house a computer lab in the upper wing of the building with computers for use by all students. The library manages five mobile Chromebook carts, containing a total of 72 devices to ensure student access to technology. Each student in grades 5-8 is assigned a Chromebook for use in all subject areas. This 1-1 ratio allows teachers to plan instruction utilizing current technology tools. Interactive whiteboards are an important aspect to 21st century instruction and our school currently has 10 boards for instruction. We have ongoing initiatives utilizing Google Drive, IXL, Classroom websites, and several other software and online tools to improve access to digital content and online tools for students, parents, and staff.

We actively utilize email District-wide. We also have a school website linked directly from the SAU #6 site to enhance communication to parents and the community. We also use an automated notification system to notify parents and staff of important changes or events. PowerSchool is used extensively to satisfy the evolving requirements of student information reporting.

The Cornish School District enforces a responsible use policy emphasizing appropriate use of all computer technology.

All staff, students, and parents review and sign the Cornish School Board Policy EGA-R to gain access to the District's network and internet resources. Keeping the District compliant with CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) is a requirement and a priority.

The Cornish School District has an active Technology Committee. The committee meets regularly to review the needs of the District, assesses progress with the District's technology plan to meet state standards, and recommends budgetary items. The technology program is constantly reviewed for improvements in technology access, utilization, and support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan LaVanway and the Technology Committee



SAU WITHDRAWAL TRANSITION REPORT

At the Annual School District Meeting on March 5, 2016, the voters in Cornish voted by a significant margin to withdraw from SAU 6 and to form a single-district school administrative unit. The State of New Hampshire Board of Education, on March 26, 2016, issued a certificate formally creating the Cornish SAU #100, to become effective on July 1, 2017. After the affirmative vote of the School District, a committee was formed to oversee all actions that would need to be accomplished to make the transition as smooth as possible.

The SAU Transition Committee is made up of Cornish residents both who have a formal role in the transition and of community members who have an interest in participating. The committee members are: Justin Ranney, School Board Chair; Nicole Saginor, School Board member and Chair of the Transition Committee; Merilynn Bourne, School District Clerk; Heidi Jaarsma, SAU Withdrawal Committee Chair; Larry Dinglee, School District Treasurer; Jen Prileson, Principal; Dale Lawrence, Administrative Assistant; Kait Jones, Library Media Specialist; Susan Chandler, Dan Poor, Caroline Storrs, Kellie Patterson-Parry, Linda Fuerst, Beth Lum, Stuart Wilkie. Meetings are generally held each month the week prior to the monthly School Board meeting and are open to the public. Several other community members have volunteered to serve on sub-committees and will be involved as the process continues.

Actions accomplished to date include:

- A contract with the Plainfield School SAU #32 to provide the following administrative services to SAU #100 for the next three years with a rollover clause to continue the relationship unless it is decided to terminate with one year's notice:
 - A .3 FTE Superintendent

- A .4 Director of Finance
 - A maximum of a .4 Director of Special Education
- A contract with the Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union (WSESU) to provide technology services to SAU #100 for the next two years to include website development and maintenance, student records and assessments, onsite support to teachers two half days a week, and professional development offerings.
- An analysis of the space requirements for the new SAU offices and the designation of certain spaces to be used for that purpose. The SAU office will be in the room next to the gym and will be the base of the Finance Director and the Administrative Assistant. The Superintendent will be in the room off the library and the Director of Special Education will be in the Learning Center, with private access to a phone and meeting space in the small room within the Center.
- The engagement of a special team from the Tuck Business School to assist SAU #100 in updating the brand of the Cornish Elementary School. That team has toured the town and met with several groups of members of the school community with the intent to bring forward up to three ideas for a new logo and tag line to represent our historic town.
- Formal relationships with area high schools are under investigation at the time of this printing to establish a system of high school assignments that will provide ongoing equitable access to high school choice. Area high schools where our students now attend that have expressed an interest in continuing to service Cornish students include Stevens, Windsor, Hartford, (Lebanon) and Hanover.
- A review of school policies has been completed with changes made to reflect the new SAU structure.

Among other activities planned to be completed prior to July 1, 2017 are:

- The co-hiring of a Special Education Director with the Plainfield SAU.
- The development of a new website with the assistance of WSESU.
- The switchover of our web and technology services from SAU 6 to WSESU, including a complete transfer of student records through PowerSchool.
- The switchover of all financial records to be accomplished by the Finance Director.
- A review of all curriculum and educational issues to be addressed.
- A delivery of all records currently being held at SAU 6 and the provision of proper storage of those records, including those to be held in fireproof cabinets.

This has been a collaborative effort and I would like to thank the entire community as well as the members of the Transition Committee in helping to make progress in this historic event.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Saginor, Chair, SAU Transition Committee

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting
Cornish School District
March 5, 2016**

The Annual Meeting of the School District of the Town of Cornish, N.H. was held March 5, 2016 at the Cornish Elementary School.

School District Clerk Bourne swore in Ballot Clerks Audrey Jacquier, Judy Rook, Lois Fitts and Jane Walter. Moderator Gwyn Gallagher opened the meeting at 8:00am for action on Article 1, voting for School District Officers. The Moderator then read the School District Warrant for those present.

The business meeting of the School District was called to order at 1:12 p. m. by Moderator Gallagher. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a prayer. The Moderator made announcements including the procedure for Article 3. The Moderator introduced members of the Cornish School Board, SAU representatives present and Cornish School Principal as well as Representatives from the SAU Study Committee, School District Clerk and himself.

Article I Election of District Officials

There were 279 ballots cast, 6 were Absentee.

SCHOOL BOARD – Nicole Saginor was elected to a three year term with 228 votes.

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK – Merilynn Bourne was elected to a one-year term with 234 votes. MODERATOR – Gwyn Gallagher was elected to a one-year term with 271 votes.

TREASURER – Lawrence Dingee was elected to a one-year term with 216 votes.

Article II Hearing of Reports

Justin Ranney moved to hear reports of Agents, Committees or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto, seconded by Shirley Sullivan. The majority vote was in the affirmative

Article III SAU Withdrawal

Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Cornish School District accept the provisions of RSA 194-C providing for the withdrawal from a school administrative unit involving school districts of Claremont, Cornish, and Unity in accordance with the provisions of the proposed plan? (3/5 Majority Vote Required), seconded by Nicole Saginor.

Heidi Jaarsma provided an overview of the process leading to this warrant article and she and Nicole Saginor then presented a power point explanation of the proposed governance plan approved by the New Hampshire Dept. of Education and data covering fiscal impact. The public was provided time for questions, answers and comments.

VOTE BY PAPER BALOTT:

319 ballots cast YES: 221 NO: 98

The motion to withdraw received a 70% margin in the affirmative. The vote was declared in favor of the motion with a greater than 3/5 majority.

Article IV SAU Withdrawal - Transition Year Costs

Polly Rand moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIXTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN-HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN DOLLARS (\$16,767) for the purpose of meeting expenses incurred in the 2016/17 school year which are directly related to the transition of the Cornish School District to a single district School Administrative Unit, seconded by John Scott. The majority vote was in the affirmative.

Article V Main Budget

Gary Chilton moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND THIRTY THREE DOLLARS (\$3,503,033) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes \$3,358,533 for the general fund, \$94,000 for the school lunch fund, and \$50,500 for the federal projects fund, seconded by Steve Fellows. The School Board presented the budget proposal by department. Justin Ranney then moved to amend Article 5 from \$3,503,033 to \$3,490,323, seconded by Kathy Parks. Motion to amend passed unopposed. Discussion on amended main motion followed. Article 5 passed with a majority affirmative vote.

Article VI Collective Bargaining Agreement

Krista Merrihew moved that the School District approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Cornish School Board and the Cornish Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2016-17	\$15,184
2017-18	\$23,661

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND ONE-HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$15,184) for the 2016-17 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year, seconded by John Scott.

Krista Merrihew then moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 3-5, seconded by John Scott. The motion passed with a majority vote in the affirmative.

Discussion returned to Article VI which was then voted upon and passed with a majority vote in the affirmative.

Article VII Generator Relocation

Cathy Parks moved to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) for the purpose of meeting the State of New Hampshire Fire Marshall’s Office request, for relocation of the generator to be comply with current State of New Hampshire Fire Code Requirements, seconded by Peter Lynch. The majority vote was in the affirmative.

Article VIII Appoint Cornish School Board as Agents to Expend

Jim Borchert moved to appoint the Cornish School Board as agents to expend from the School District Special Education/High School Tuition Capital Reserve Fund established in 2007, seconded by Shirley Sullivan. The majority vote was in the affirmative.

Article IX Unit Vent Heater Replacement

Greg Clark moved to raise and appropriate the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$12,500) for the purpose of replacing one additional unit vent heater located in a classroom the Cornish Elementary School, seconded by Cathy Parks. The majority vote was in the affirmative.

Article X Appropriation to Building Repairs and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund

Glen Thornton moved to raise and appropriate the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500) to the previously established School Building Repairs and Maintenance expendable trust fund seconded by Greg Clark. The majority vote was in the affirmative.

Article XI Other Business

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Mike Monette moved, seconded by Megan Formichelli ,to open School District polls at 10:00am instead of 8:00am. There was a brief discussion. The Moderator commented that he was not certain the vote would be legal but that could be determined later.

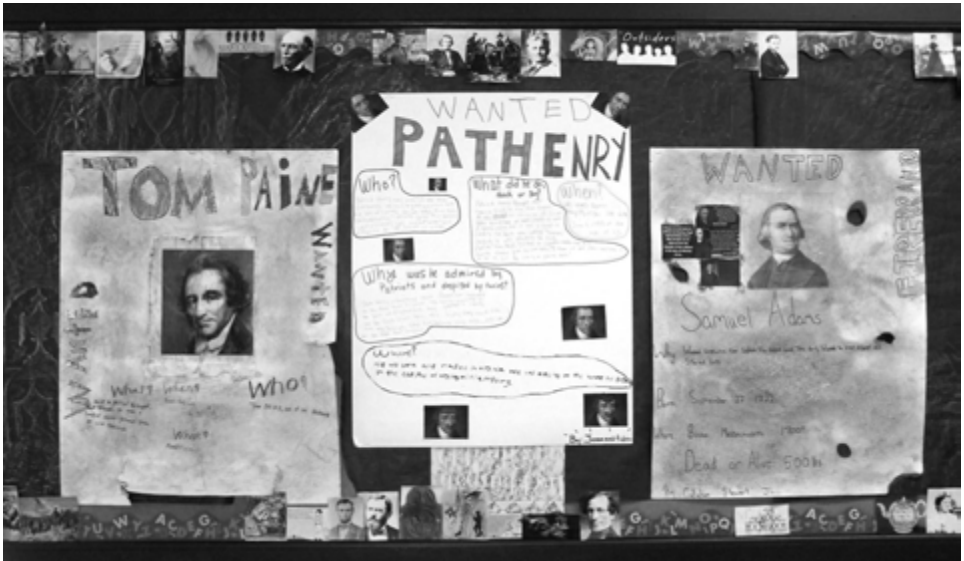
The motioned passed by a majority vote in the affirmative.

Peter Lynch moved to adjourn, seconded by Jim Lukash. The vote was in the affirmative.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37pm

Respectfully submitted,

Merilynn Bourne
Cornish School District Clerk



Report of the School District Treasurer

Fiscal Year 2015-16

Cash on hand June 30, 2015	\$95,883
Received from Selectmen	\$2,383,536
Received from State/Federal sources & other sources	\$1,312,188
Total Receipts	\$3,704,724
Less School Board Orders Processed	\$3,367,917
Cash on Hand / Book Balance June 30, 2016	\$432,690

Cornish School Building Fund

June 30, 2016 Fund Balance

Fund Balance as of June 30, 2014	\$6,570.57
Pledges Received	0.00
Income Earned – interest	20.19
<i>TOTAL June 30, 2016</i>	\$6,590.76

Science Room Renovation Fund

June 30, 2016 Fund Balance

Fund Balance as of June 30, 2015	\$1,495.29
Pledges Received	0.00
Income Earned – interest	4.59
<i>TOTAL – June 30, 2016</i>	\$1,499.88



Fundraiser Report

2015-2016

FUNDRAISER	AMOUNT RAISED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE
Class of 2016	\$19,243.00	\$18,755.75	\$487.25
Class of 2017			*\$487.25
Yearbook	\$1,676.14	\$1,060.00	\$518.00
Ski/LIFE	\$8,621.51	\$6,518.00	\$2,103.51
Farm to School	-0-	-0-	\$1,629.35

* shown as balance of Class of 2016

Special Endowment Funds
June 30, 2016 Fund Balances

FUND NAME (original gift/principle amount)	RESTRICTIONS	BALANCE
James Farley Memorial Fund	Writing Excellence	\$ 4,964
Gratia T. Huggins Memorial Fund	Capital Expense	11,577
Eberhardt Award	Art & Music	568
Ellsworth Atwood Memorial	Citizenship	563
Glen Smith Sportmanship Award	Sportmanship	276
Harriet Runnals Award	Multiple Categories	1,300
Clarence Williams Memorial Fund	Sports Program	1,765
Clarence Williams Memorial Fund	Resource Room Program	1,765
Science Discovery Fund	Science Exploration	1,540
Doris Morgan McAuley Fund	Spelling Excellence	975
TOTAL ENDOWMENTS – June 30, 2016		\$25,294

CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Special Education Expenses & Revenue

Category	Actual 14-15	Actual 15-16	Budget 16-17	Budget 17-18
State Funding:				
Catastrophic Aid	23,678	29,325	13,746	25,000
Adequate Education Grants- SPED	63,611	63,102	64,967	38,007
Federal and Grant Funding:				
Chap. 1- Tutoring in Reading	22,517	9,196	17,400	17,400
Medicaid	26,132	29,507	21,000	21,000
TOTAL REVENUE	135,935	131,130	117,113	101,407
Total Special Ed. Expenses	563,304	357,830	523,335	470,627
Net Special Education Expenses				
Paid From Property Taxes	<u>427,369</u>	<u>226,700</u>	<u>406,222</u>	<u>369,220</u>

**Food Service Report
CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Student Totals</u>		<u>Daily Average</u>	
	<u>Lunches</u>	<u>Breakfasts</u>	<u>Lunches</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>
2011- 12	15,491	1,553	86.06	8.63
2012-13	10,662	2,254	59.23	12.52
2013-14	17,788	2,300	98.82	12.78
2014-15	20,166	2,751	113.29	15.46
2015-16	18,661	2,726	106.63	15.58

<u>School Year</u>	<u>(Loss) Before General Fund Subsidy</u>	
2011-12	(30,730)	
2012-13	(27,129)	
2013-14	(25,094)	
2014-15	(8,725)	(8,725)
2015-16	(10,691)	(10,691)

Percent of Café Services Total Cost:

	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2013-14</u>
Food	25.9%	32.5%	31.3%
Labr	59.0%	52.3%	54.5%
Café Services Fee	9.9%	8.4%	6.0%
General and Administrative	1.5%	1.5%	1.3%
Other	3.7%	5.3%	6.9%
	100%	100%	100%

<u>Cost per Lunch Served:</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2013-14</u>
	3.13	3.49	4.18

CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017-18 PROPOSED REVENUES					
	As Set 2015-16	As Set 2016-17	Proposed 2017-18	\$ Chg	% Chg
REVENUE DETAIL:					
1121	2,383,536	2,147,164	2,267,168	120,004	5.59%
District Assessment	438,045	405,066	396,120	-8,946	-2.21%
State Property Tax	11,000	21,000	21,000	0	0%
Medicaid	15,467	15,467	15,467	0	0%
Building Aid	500	500	500	0	0%
Interest Income	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	0%
Miscellaneous Income	698,752	619,658	534,991	-84,667	-13.66%
Adequate Education Grants	28,369	13,746	25,000	11,254	81.87%
Catastrophic Aid					
	3,625,669	3,272,601	3,310,246	37,645	1.15%
	Revenue Total				

CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017-18 PROPOSED BUDGET TAX RATE IMPACT					
	As Set 2015-16	As Set 2016-17	Proposed 2017-18	\$ Chg	% Chg
Appropriation- General Fund					
Total Non-Tax Revenue	3,625,669	3,422,774	3,460,246	37,472	1.09%
State Property Tax	804,088	692,371	646,958	-45,412	-6.56%
Use of Fund Balance	438,045	405,066	396,120	-8,946	-2.21%
Local Tax Levy	0	178,173	150,000	-28,173	-15.81%
Assessed Value	2,383,536	2,147,164	2,267,167	120,004	5.59%
Local Tax Rate	174,631,473	175,551,958	175,551,958	0	0.00%
Estimated State Rate	13.65	12.23	12.91	0.68	5.56%
Tax Rate Article 3 Main Budget (\$ per \$1,000)	2.59	2.38	2.26	-0.12	-5.04%
	16.24	14.61	15.17	0.56	-3.83%

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Tax Rate Article 3 Main Budget (\$ per \$1,000)	16.24	14.61	15.17	0.56	-3.83%

District's Share of SAU #6 Expenses
2016-17

Claremont	79.82%	\$1,545,398
Cornish	11.14%	\$215,680
Unity	9.04%	\$176,024
	100.00%	\$1,937,102



District's Share of Administrative Salaries
2016-17

	Claremont	Cornish	Unity	Total
	79.82%	11.14%	9.04%	100.00%
Superintendent	\$103,811	\$14,488	\$11,751	\$130,050
Assistant Superintendent	75,721	10,568	8,572	94,860
Director of Special Education	90,525	10,085	8,180	90,525
Director of Business & Finance	89,969	12,556	8,180	112,710



School Administrative Unit #6

Dr. Middleton K. McGoodwin	Superintendent
Cory LeClair	Assistant Superintendent
Christopher Beeso	Director of Special Education
Michael O'Neill	Director of Business & Finance
Nathan LaVanway	Asst. Director of Bus. & Finance
Shari Theriault	Payroll/Accts Payable Clerk
Brianna Connell	Executive Assistant to Super & Sped
Samantha Hill	Payroll/Accts Payable Clerk
Jamie Martel	HR Assistant
Brandi Laffin	Technology Services Assistant
Misty Hodgden	Receptionist
Melissa Small	Administrative Assistant
Kathleen Bunnell	Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction Coordinator

**School District Warrant
Cornish School District
Cornish, New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Cornish in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the Annual District Meeting at the Cornish Elementary School Gymnasium on Saturday, March 11, 2017 at 1:00 p. m. to act upon the articles set forth in this warrant.

Article 1 of the Warrant will be voted upon by official ballot from the checklist and the polls will remain open for this purpose from 10:00 a. m. in the forenoon until 7:00 p. m. in the evening.

The business session of the School District meeting will commence at 1:00 p. m. in the afternoon at which time the remaining articles will be acted upon.

Article I Election of District Officials

To elect a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, each for one-year terms, and two (2) School Board members, each for a three (3) year term.

Article II Hearing of Reports

To hear reports of Agents, Committees or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article III Main Budget

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$3,594,246) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes \$3,425,246 for the general fund, \$94,000 for the school lunch fund, and \$75,000 for the federal projects fund. (Majority vote required) (The School Board Recommends this Article)

Article IV Electrical Improvements for Generator Relocation

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000) for the purpose of improving the current electrical supply systems in order to complete the relocation of the generator for the purpose of meeting the State of New Hampshire Fire Marshall's Office request, for relocation of the generator in order to be in compliance with current State of New Hampshire Fire Code Requirements. (Majority vote required) (The School Board Recommends this Article)


Article V Other Business

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL AT SAID Cornish this 7th day of
February 2017.



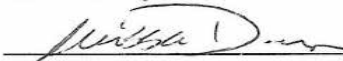
Justin Ranney, Chair




Greg Clark, Jr.



Melissa Dye



Cathy Parks



Nicole Saginor

CORNISH SCHOOL BOARD

Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2017-18 Description	Actual 2015-16	Budget 2016-17	Proposed 2017-18	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Total Health Insurance	204,529	206,679	225,104	18,425	8.9%
Total Dental Insurance	9,292	10,308	11,797	1,489	14.5%
Total Health and Dental Insurance	213,821	216,987	236,901	19,914	9.2%
Reg. Inst. Salaries	375,108	426,009	452,853	26,844	6.3%
Reg. Inst. Salaries Paras	51,811	45,011	50,618	5,607	12.5%
Reg. Inst. Salaries Substitutes	28,721	31,500	31,500	-	0.0%
Reg. Inst. Life & Disability	1,659	1,100	853	(247)	-22.5%
Reg. Inst. Workers Comp	1,438	2,500	2,140	(360)	-14.4%
Reg. Inst. Unemployment Insurance	752	3,000	2,100	(900)	-30.0%
Reg. Inst. Medicare Taxes	6,027	7,135	7,757	622	8.7%
Reg. Inst. Social Security Taxes	25,770	30,505	33,168	2,663	8.7%
Reg. Inst. Retirement	59,564	62,234	78,336	16,102	25.9%
Reg. Inst. Staff Development	8,043	15,000	30,000	15,000	100.0%
Reg. Inst. Equip. Repair	23	1,200	1,200	-	0.0%
Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - In State	300,308	350,930	373,220	22,290	6.4%
Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - Out of State	683,974	620,000	579,485	(40,515)	-6.5%
Reg. Inst. Supplies	14,408	14,950	14,400	(550)	-3.7%
Reg. Inst. Assessment	1,050	1,500	5,000	3,500	233.3%
Reg. Inst. Copiers	7,939	6,600	10,000	3,400	51.5%
Reg. Inst. Software	5,491	14,287	6,500	(7,787)	-54.5%
Reg. Inst. Enrichment	3,519	4,000	4,000	-	0.0%
Reg. Inst. Textbooks	12,955	12,000	12,000	-	0.0%
Reg. Inst. Replacement Equipment	2,453	0	0	-	0.0%
Reg. Inst. Furniture	700	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Total Regular Education	1,591,713	1,650,461	1,696,130	45,669	2.8%

Sped. Salaries	33,271	74,025	39,632	(34,393)	-46.5%
Sped. Salaries Paras	61,132	43,688	50,818	7,130	16.3%
Sped. Tutoring	0	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Sped. Life & Disability	881	350	120	(230)	-65.7%
Sped. Workers Comp	591	850	454	(396)	-46.6%
Sped. Unemployment Insurance	207	582	600	18	3.1%
Sped. Medicare Taxes	1,327	1,555	1,355	(200)	-12.9%
Sped. Social Security Taxes	5,672	6,647	5,794	(853)	-12.8%
Sped. Retirement	12,042	12,991	13,007	16	0.1%
Sped. Speech & Lang. Services	14,156	24,000	20,000	(4,000)	-16.7%
Sped. Staff Development	0	100	100	-	0.0%
Sped. Testing	16,541	11,000	11,000	-	0.0%
Sped. Occupational Therapy	15,058	10,000	10,000	-	0.0%
Sped. Professional Services	25,690	10,000	0	(10,000)	-100.0%
Sped. High School Tuition - In State	1,020	0	0	-	0.0%
Sped. High School Tuition - Out of State	11,539	85,000	119,500	34,500	40.6%
Sped. High School Tuition - Private	117,880	155,000	137,700	(17,300)	-11.2%
Sped. Elem. Tuition-In State	1,740	0	0	-	0.0%
Sped. Travel	117	0	0	-	0.0%
Sped. Supplies	682	700	700	-	0.0%
Sped. Textbooks	989	500	500	-	0.0%
Sped. Workbooks	0	325	325	-	0.0%
Sped. New Equipment	0	400	400	-	0.0%
Extended Year Program Salary	2,058	3,000	3,000	-	0.0%
Extended Year Program Medicare Taxes	30	44	44	-	0.0%
Extended Year Program Social Security Taxes	127	186	186	-	0.0%
Extended Year Program Retirement	321	0	0	-	0.0%
Total Student Services	323,071	441,942	416,235	(25,708)	-5.8%

Athletics Police/Referees	1,100	1,400	1,400	1,400	-	0.0%
Athletics Supplies	274	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Total Athletics	1,374	2,400	2,400	2,400	-	0.0%
Guidance Salaries	38,839	38,839	22,328	(16,511)		-42.5%
Guidance Life & Disability	420	250	50	(200)		-80.0%
Guidance Workers Comp	299	500	90	(410)		-82.0%
Guidance Unemployment Insurance	66	160	150	(10)		-6.3%
Guidance Medicare Taxes	563	563	324	(239)		-42.5%
Guidance Social Security Taxes	2,408	2,408	1,384	(1,024)		-42.5%
Guidance Retirement	0	0	0	-		0.0%
Guidance Supplies	605	900	1,000	100		11.1%
Health Salaries	31,464	35,035	35,846	811		2.3%
Health Workers Comp.	197	350	200	(150)		-42.9%
Health Unemployment Insurance	55	240	165	(75)		-31.3%
Health Medicare Taxes	373	508	509	1		0.2%
Health Social Security Taxes	1,596	2,172	2,222	50		2.3%
Health Retirement	4,930	3,913	6,231	2,318		59.2%
Health Supplies	483	400	450	50		12.5%
Health Textbooks	0	50	50	-		0.0%
Health New Equipment	211	300	300	-		0.0%
Total Guidance and Health	82,509	86,588	71,299	(15,289)		-17.7%

Media Salaries	25,040	30,831	34,346	3,515	11.4%
Media Life & Disability	152	150	70	(80)	-53.3%
Media Workers Comp.	110	200	138	(62)	-31.0%
Media Unemployment Insurance	42	160	150	(10)	-6.3%
Media Medicare Taxes	361	447	498	51	11.4%
Media Social Security Taxes	1,546	1,912	2,130	218	11.4%
Media Retirement	0	3,444	5,962	2,518	0.0%
Media Supplies	2,321	2,500	2,500	-	0.0%
Media Books	3,901	4,500	4,050	(450)	-10.0%
Media Periodicals	318	350	350	-	0.0%
Information Management Services Stipends	593	0	0	-	
Information Management Services Contracted Servi	20,957	8,800	32,000	23,200	263.6%
Telephone	1,646	3,000	2,000	(1,000)	-33.3%
Data Communications	2,920	6,900	3,600	(3,300)	-47.8%
General Software	3,170	0	0	-	
Equipment	13,816	39,800	17,800	(22,000)	-55.3%
Total Library and Media	76,893	102,993	105,594	2,601	2.5%
School Board School District Treasurer	0	200	200	-	100.0%
School Board Secretary	975	1,250	0	(1,250)	100.0%
School Board District Clerk	0	30	30	-	100.0%
School Board Moderator	15	15	15	-	100.0%
School Board Election Officials	410	600	600	-	100.0%
School Board Medicare Taxes	14	18	18	-	100.0%

School Board Social Security Taxes	60	78	78	-	100.0%
School Board Professional Services	15,577	7,750	7,750	-	0.0%
School Board Auditors	8,500	8,500	9,000	500	5.9%
School Board Advertising	104	2,200	2,200	-	0.0%
School Board Annual Report	0	1,100	1,100	-	0.0%
School Board Supplies	345	750	750	-	0.0%
School Board Dues & Fees	2,808	19,267	3,500	(15,767)	-81.8%
Total School Board	28,808	41,758	25,241	(16,517)	-39.6%
SAU 6 Services	220,814	215,680	202,717	(12,963)	-6.0%
School Admin. Salaries	84,470	82,580	84,480	1,900	2.3%
School Admin. Secretary Salary	36,218	36,708	37,258	550	1.5%
School Admin. Life & Disability	599	475	500	25	5.3%
School Admin. Workers Comp.	674	500	502	2	0.4%
School Admin. Unemployment Insurance	225	320	338	18	5.6%
School Admin. Medicare Taxes	1,680	1,730	1,816	86	5.0%
School Admin. Social Security Taxes	7,182	7,396	7,765	369	5.0%
School Admin. Retirement	16,986	17,041	18,906	1,865	10.9%
TSA	0	0	0	-	
School Admin. Staff Development	853	2,000	2,000	-	0.0%
School Admin. Postage	875	1,500	1,500	-	0.0%
School Admin. Advertising	0	1,700	1,700	-	0.0%
School Admin. Printing	421	2,000	2,000	-	0.0%

School Admin. Travel	731	600	800	200	33.3%
School Admin. Supplies	0	500	500	-	0.0%
School Admin. Principal's Fund	325	500	500	-	0.0%
School Admin. Dues & Fees	21	450	450	-	0.0%
School Admin. Graduation	539	1,400	800	(600)	-42.9%
Total School Administration	151,799	157,399	161,815	4,416	2.8%
Maintenance Salaries	67,498	45,726	54,744	9,018	19.7%
Maintenance Life & Disability	305	225	100	(125)	-55.6%
Maintenance Workers Comp	2,139	1,850	2,250	400	21.6%
Maintenance Unemployment Insurance	122	400	187	(213)	-53.3%
Maintenance Medicare Taxes	913	663	794	131	19.8%
Maintenance Social Security Taxes	3,901	2,835	3,394	559	19.7%
Maintenance Retirement	5,610	5,147	5,832	685	13.3%
Maintenance Contracted Services	19,983	43,500	60,000	16,500	37.9%
Maintenance Water & Septic	1,315	3,750	3,500	(250)	-6.7%
Maintenance Rubbish Removal	4,563	4,500	4,750	250	5.6%
Maintenance Lawn Care	780	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Maintenance Repairs/Maintenance Services	47,095	38,000	38,000	-	0.0%
Maintenance Building Improvements	90,901	57,500	30,000	(27,500)	-47.8%
Maintenance Property Insurance	6,904	8,000	7,207	(793)	-9.9%
Maintenance Telephone	879	0	0	-	
Data Communications-Technology Use Only	524	0	0	-	0.0%

Town Directory and Information

Police, Fire Medical Emergencies	911
Police, Non-emergency	543-0535
Fire, Non-emergency	675-2221
Cornish Rescue, Ambulance	675-2221
Selectmen, Assessing Office	675-5611
Town Office Fax	675-5605
Town Clerk	675-5207
Tax Collector	675-5221
Highway Garage	675-2205
Cornish Elementary School	675-5891
Library	543-3644
E-mail	townbos@comcast.net cornishtownclerk@comcast.net cornishtaxcollector1@comcast.net cornishtreasurer@comcast.net

Meeting Schedules and Hours

Town Boards meet at Town Office Bldg. - School Board meets at School

Town Office/Assessing	Monday 12:30-830PM Tue & Thur 8:30-4:00 PM Fri 9:30-5:00 PM
Selectmen	Monday 6:30-8:30 PM Friday 3:00-5:00 PM
Town Clerk	Monday through Thursday 5:00-7:00 PM Last Saturday of the Month 9:00-NOON
Tax Collector	Thursday 4:30-7:00 PM
Planning Board	1st and 3rd Thursday of each Month 7:00 PM
Zoning Board (as needed)	1st Monday of each Month 7:00 PM
Conservation Commission	4th Wednesday of each Month 7:00 PM
Cornish School Board	3rd Monday of each Month 7:00 PM
Cornish Library	Monday and Friday 4:00-6:00 PM
Brenda Freeland, Librarian	Wednesday 4:00-8:00 PM Saturday 10:00-NOON

General Assistance & Senior Resources:

Pam Annis	542-3781
Marie Durusha	558-0391

Cornish Community Food Pantry is housed at the United Church of Cornish Vestry on Center Rd.

No regular hours. Call Rev. Dale (603) 542-8546 and she will meet you there.

Willing Hands Fresh Produce drops off at Rev. Dale's garage at 216 NH Route 120 every

Wednesday at 1:00pm. First come, first served. Call above number or email

Nicholas.dale231@gmail.com

TOWN OF CORNISH
WHO to see about WHAT and WHEN

SELECTMEN

Selectmen's Secretary-Mary Curtis
Phone 675-5611
Fax 675-5605

Monday 12:30-8:30pm
Tue & Thur 8:30-4pm
Fri 9:30-5:00pm
Closed Weds

Abatements (Property Tax)
Building Permits
Camping permits
Current Use Applications
Elderly Tax Exemption
Intent to Cut Lumber
Assessing

Pistol Permits
Property Tax Cards
Property Tax Maps
Raffle Permits
Septic Dig Approvals
Subdivision Applications
Veterans Tax Credit

Other Questions – See Selectmen

TOWN CLERK

Paula Harthan
675-5207

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays
& Thursdays 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Last Saturday of Month 9-Noon

Cemetery Records
Dog Licenses
Vital Statistics
Minutes – Planning Board, Zoning Board & Conservation Commission

Motor Vehicle Permits
Dredge and Fill Permits
Genealogy Information
Marriage Licenses

TAX COLLECTOR

Reigh Helen Sweetser
675-5221

Thursday 4:30 – 7:00 pm

Property Tax

BUILDING PERMITS

New Housing Units	\$100.00
Barns, Garages, Additions, Pole Barns	\$50.00
Pools: In Ground or Above	\$35.00
Decks, Dormers, Sheds, Carports	\$50.00
Camping Permits	\$10.00