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ANNUAL REPORT

for the Town of

LYMAN, N.H.



Year ending December 31, 1989

"AINCHA GLAD WE LIVE IN THE COUNTY?"

The Right Bluff

In some municipalities, council members still meet in little buildings with stoves, and there's not enough room to swing a cat, as the saying goes. I cover some of these meetings for local newspapers. This trick is to stay awake, but now and then I pick up an epigram or two.

I learned that young Mrs. C was seen in the village wearing "not enough clothes to pad a crutch." And that a certain retired chicken farmer is, unfortunately, "just settin' there rustin', out."

My favorite saying, though, was shouted from the back of the room by a short fellow who stood up and announced: "You can't tell which way the train went by looking at the tracks!" Then he sat down. We all stared at the walls and at one another for a while, and then the meeting just broke up.

I have since discovered that his aphorism is the perfect social response when I've been daydreaming, there's a hush, and I suddenly realize that somebody has asked me a question about the discussion.

"You can't tell which way the train went by looking at the tracks," said slowly and firmly, is always greeted with respectful silence. Many people, being only human, nod wisely. And if someone dares to ask you to explain your statement, just get up and walk out—because there's not enough room in here to swing a cat.

—Dereck Williamson, quoted in Martin Levin's
"The Phoenix Nest" in *Saturday Review*

Hot Pies

Woodstock, NH

To the Editor:

We've had a kind of interesting start to winter.

One lady called twice to say she hadn't seen a plow yet.

Another lady delivered two pies to the town garage - one cherry and one pumpkin. Anyone want to bet who gets their road plowed first?

Bill Mellett,
Road agent

Sign seen posted on a tree by the side of the road during one of New England's less loved seasons:

ROAD CLOSED

in celebration of spring

Town of Lyman, New Hampshire ANNUAL REPORT

of the Town Officers

Year Ended December 31, 1989

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TOWN OFFICERS

Board of Selectmen

MELANIE HAMILTON, CHAIRMAN (1990)

JAMES LOCKE (1991)

A. JOHN MAZELLA (1992)

Administrative Assistant

TERRY SIMPSON

Bookkeeper

FLORENCE COREY

Animal Control Officer

LEE VEILLEUX

Forest Fire Warden

BRIAN SANTY

RICHARD HUBBARD

Road Agent

JOE ALDRICH

KEVIN SIMPSON, Assistant

Moderator

KEN PARKER, Resigned

GEORGE GODFREY, Appointed

KEITH BOOTH, Assistant

Ballot Clerks

BERTHA BONOR

YVONNE BOOTH

GAIL CATE

NANCY LABBAY

Treasurer

BERTHA BONOR

Overseer of the Poor

YVONNE BOOTH

Health Officer

JAMES EHLER

Tax Collector

LORETTA R. LOCKE

Town Clerk

LORETTA R. LOCKE

Supervisors of the Checklist

ANN BAKER, 1990

BETH HUBBARD, 1991

MILDRED PRESBY, 1992

WANDA HUBBARD, Assistant

Trustees of the Trust Funds

WANDA HUBBARD, Resigned

BETH HUBBARD, 1990

MILDRED PRESBY, 1991

ALICE SANTY, 1992

School Board

JAMES TRUDELL

JOHN SIMPSON

Planning Board

ANGELA MAZELLA, (1991)

CATHERINE WILLIAMS, (1992)

DARREN HUBBARD, (1993)

LARRY HUBBARD, (1994)

RON WILKINS, (1995)

ANDY SMITH, (1996)

Board of Adjustment

GARY WILLIAMS, (1990)

DALE COLBY, (1992)

RICHARD HUBBARD, (1993)

The Selectmen will meet in Public Session every Tuesday
at the Town Office from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

The Planning Board meets the first Wednesday of each month
at the Town Office from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

TOWN OF LYMAN

Town Meeting Warrant

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lyman, in the County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the thirteenth day of March, 1990; polls to open at twelve o'clock in the afternoon and will not close before six o'clock in the afternoon in said Town Hall, to act on Article 1, the remaining articles to be considered at seven thirty o'clock in the evening.

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

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$117,707 as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year. All items marked by an asterisk (*) are covered by this article.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95,000 for maintenance, expenses, salaries, supplies and equipment for the highway department for the ensuing year. All items marked by a cross (+) are covered by this article.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,877 for sanitation funds. All items marked by a dash (-) are covered by this article.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as the responsible party for administration of the Capital Reserve Fund. (This item suggested by the Department of Revenue.)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to contribute the sum of \$11,750 as the annual contribution to the Lisbon Dump Closure capital reserve fund and to the Property Tax re-evaluation capital reserve fund. Items numbered 70 and 71 on the budget are covered by this Article.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a snow wing plow for the Town truck, and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw funds from the capital equipment reserve to purchase such: not to exceed \$3,500.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by tax deed, by advertised seal bid only.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to receive part payments of real estate taxes for any year in the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) or a multiple of ten pursuant to the provisions of RSA 80:52-A.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the State, Federal or other governmental unit or private source which becomes available during the year in accordance with the procedures set forth in RSA 31:95B.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow monies from time to time for current indebtedness of the Town for the ensuing year in anticipation of taxes to be collected for the year 1990 and paid therefrom.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to pursue all legal procedures as provided in state statutes to redress the existing inequity in the division of annual cost of operating the Lisbon Regional School. *(This article inserted by petition.)*

ARTICLE 13. If the preceeding Article is passed, to see if the Town will vote to increase the legal budget by \$8,000.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 79-A:25 and vote to place 50% of all future land use change tax revenues in a conservation fund established in accordance with RSA 36-A.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, V & VI for an optional veterans' exemption and an expanded qualifying war service for veterans seeking the exemption. The optional veterans' exemption is \$100, rather than \$50.

ARTICLE 16. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35, IV for an optional property tax exemption on residential property for a service-connected TOTAL disability? The optional disability exemption is \$1400, rather than \$700.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Recycling Committee of 3 townspeople to interact with similar committees in Lisbon and Landaff. The Committee shall present to the 1991 Town Meeting, with the prior approval of the Selectmen, a program for initiating/expanding voluntary recycling which can be developed step-by-step with minimum capital outlay.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to designate and proclaim April 22, 1990, as Earth Day 1990, and to encourage public activities promoting preservation of the global environment and launching the "Decade of the Environment."

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer 50% of the 1989 general surplus for our needed town revaluation.

ARTICLE 20. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 13th day of February 1990.

Melanie Hamilton
James Locke
A. John Mazella

Town of Lyman
Board of Selectmen

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land	\$2,711,652.00
Buildings	4,671,600.00
Electric Plants	192,375.00
Mobile Homes	<u>145,400.00</u>
 Total	 \$7,721,027.00
 Elderly Exemptions	 50,000.00
Blind Exemptions	<u>45,000.00</u>
 Total	 \$ 95,000.00

Tax Rate: Per \$1000.00 Valuation:

Town	\$15.03
School	37.76
County	<u>3.55</u>
 Total	 \$56.34

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	100,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	10,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	1,000.00
Fire Department, Equipment	400.00
Highway Department, Land and Buildings	3,500.00
Equipment	142,000.00
Materials and Supplies	12,000.00
Property Acquired by Tax Deed (Freeze)	3,100.00
Property Acquired by Tax Deed (Tomlinson)	1,100.00
Grange Hall Community Center	<u>4,100.00</u>
 Total	 \$277,200.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LYMAN - REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1989	Actual 1989	Estimated 1990
Taxes:			
Yield Taxes	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 23,386.00	\$ 8,000.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	1,000.00	3,330.00	-0-
Land Use Change Tax	7,500.00	9,350.00	5,000.00
Intergovernmental Revenues-State:			
Shared Revenue-Block Grant	10,000.00	18,830.00	10,000.00
Highway Block Grant	49,126.00	44,070.00	54,471.00
Licenses and Permits:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	20,000.00	27,907.00	24,000.00
Dog Licenses	400.00	554.00	400.00
Business Licenses			
Permits & Filing Fees	-0-	63.00	-0-
Charges For Services:			
Planning Board Income	-0-	322.00	500.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Interest on Deposits	-0-	4,937.00	-0-
Sale of Old Truck	2,500.00	4,785.00	-0-
Copy Machine Use	50.00	-0-	-0-
Other Financing Sources:			
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	-0-	-0-	3,500.00
Proceeds New Truck Note	43,000.00	42,684.00	-0-
NCC Rehab Grant for Audit	-0-	-0-	1,575.00
	_____	_____	_____
Total Revenues and Credits	\$139,576.00	\$180,218.00	\$107,446.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LYMAN - EXPENDITURES

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Estimated 1989	Actual 1989	Estimated 1990
General Government:			
*Town Officers' Salary	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 11,900.00	\$ 15,625.00
*Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00	1,472.00	1,600.00
*Election and Registration Expenses	1,400.00	428.00	2,000.00
*Cemeteries	2,000.00	1,400.00	1,500.00
*General Government Buildings	6,000.00	6,506.00	4,500.00
*Reappraisal of Property	3,000.00	3,200.00 a/p	3,200.00
*Planning and Zoning	1,000.00	550.00	800.00
*Legal Expenses	3,500.00	2,151.00	3,500.00
*Advertising & Regional Association	3,300.00	3,321.00	2,500.00
*Town Audit	3,000.00	2,503.00	4,775.00
*Office Supplies & Equipment	3,300.00	7,260.00	2,200.00
*Tax Collector Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Computer Programmer	-0-	625.00	600.00
Public Safety:			
*Fire Department	10,000.00	6,250.00	10,000.00
*Forest Fire	-0-	-0-	300.00
Highways, Streets & Bridges:			
+Town Maintenance & General Highway Department Expenses	90,900.00	77,949.00	95,000.00
Sanitation:			
-Solid Waste Disposal	8,792.00	6,840.00	9,732.00
-Septage (Littleton)	145.00	145.00	145.00
Health:			
*Health Department	60.00	-0-	100.00
*Hospitals & Ambulances	600.00	600.00	630.00
*Animal Control	250.00	212.00	250.00
Vital Statistics	-0-	39.00	-0-
*White Mountain Mental Health	434.00	434.00	434.00
*North Country Home Health	524.00	524.00	524.00
Welfare:			
General Assistance	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Culture and Recreation:			
*Library (Lisbon)	100.00	100.00	100.00
Conservation Commission	-0-	250.00	500.00

Debt Service:

*Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes			
Town Hall Improvement (Exp. 92)	11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
*Int. Exp.-Long-Term Bonds & Notes			
Town Hall Improvement	3,988.00	3,519.00	2,800.00
*Int. Expense-Tax Anticipation Notes	4,000.00	8,000.00	5,000.00
*Int. Expense-Other Temporary Loans			
Backhoe Lease	8,661.00	7,932.00	7,932.00
*New Truck (Interest) (Exp. 95)	4,000.00	1,486.00	3,400.00
*New Truck (Principal) (Exp. 95)	-0-	-0-	8,537
Capital Outlay:			
Purchase of Truck	43,000.00	42,684.00	-0-
Purchase of Snow wing for Town Truck	-0-	-0-	3,500.00
Operating Transfers Out:			
Lisbon Dump Closure Fund	6,750.00	6,750.00	6,750.00
Property Tax Re-Evaluation	2,500.00	2,500.00	5,000.00
Miscellaneous:			
*FICA, Retirement & Pension Contr.	10,000.00	3,858.00	4,000.00
*Insurance			
(includes \$2500 required repairs)	23,900.00	18,554.00	18,000.00
Abatements	-0-	1,096.00	1,000.00
Total Appropriations	\$274,804.00	\$245,638.00	\$241,034.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes			\$107,446.00
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School & County Taxes)			\$133,588.00

GENERAL EXPENDITURES OVERVIEW 1989

Town Officers' Salaries	
Selectmen	1,700.00
Administrative Assistant	6,000.00
Bookkeeper	1,000.00
Tax Collector (plus fees)	2,500.00
Town Clerk (plus fees)	2,500.00
Treasurer	500.00
Town Office Expenses	
(Includes tax forms and tax envelopes, meetings, mileage, dog licenses, dues for Town Clerk and Tax Collector)	1,472.00
Election and Registration Expenses	
(Ballot Clerks)	427.50
Cemeteries	
(Includes maintenance, mowing, flags)	1,400.00
General Government Buildings	
A. Maintenance	
(Includes maintenance, upkeep, septic cleanout)	3,379.00
B. Utilities	
(Garage & offices/oil for heat, phone and electric)	3,121.00
Office Supplies & Equipment (Includes computer, monitor, software, printer, paper supplies, postage, office supplies, prestamped envelopes, cleaning supplies.)	7,260.00
Accountant	2,500.00
Property reappraisal	3,200.00
Legal expenses & damages	
(Includes attorney, damages awarded, sheriff, deeds)	2,151.00
Abatements	1,096.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	3,321.00
Fire	
(monies to Lisbon Fire Department and Twin State dues for '88-'89)	6,250.00
Sanitation	
Lisbon Dump	6,840.00
Septage Littleton	145.00
Ambulance	600.00

Animal Control	212.00
Vital Statistics	39.00
North Country Home Health ('88 & '89)	1,010.00
White Mountain Mental Health ('88 & '89)	868.00
Welfare	508.00
Lisbon Library	100.00
Highway	
Salaries	34,786.00
Extra help - (after flood)	2,340.00
Cold Patch/Hot Mix	1,057.00
Gravel	2,054.00
Salt	15,899.00
Sand	1,153.00
Fuel	
(includes diesel, gas, motor oil, kerosene)	4,703.00
Signs	208.00
Highway General Expenses	
Blackmount	-?-
Clark & Son	591.00
Dales	679.00
E.W. Sleeper	362.00
Jesseman's	3,881.00
Jordon Milton	622.00
Lawson Prod.	298.00
McKenzie's	268.00
Oxygen & Welding	148.00
Partstown	562.00
Rolling Mechanic	1,975.00
Sanel	841.00
Backhoe lease/purchase	10,932.00
Lisbon Village Hardware	43.00
Varney Smith	348.00
Lyman Lumber	122.00
Dennis Aldrich (welding)	125.00
Mini Motors	83.00
IDE	48.00
BB Chain	910.00
Bob Townsend (repairs International)	20.00
Truck Inspection	13.00
Cook Enterprises	541.00
Roland Richards	77.00
EZ Steel Fab.	479.00
Burtco Metal (Culvert)	1,074.00
Taylor Chevy (hydro pump)	158.99
Trucking Co.	64.00
Interstate equip.	1,050.00
Transp. charges	77.00

Insurances

Stevens (Workers Comp)	4,599.00
(NHMA) BC/BS (Hospitalization)	3,901.00
Public Officials Liability	1,015.00
Property Liability	6,539.00

TAX COLLECTOR
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989

Debits

	Levies of: 1989	Prior
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$	\$66,059.08
Land Use Change Tax		2,852.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	407,511.70	
Land Use Change Tax	9,230.00	
Yield Taxes	25,519.43	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	2,590.19	
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	128.62	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes:	79.12	3,230.12
Total Debits	\$445,059.06	\$72,141.20

Credits

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$322,705.20	\$51,047.02
Land Use Change Tax	7,550.00	1,800.00
Yield Taxes	22,940.45	
Overpayments	128.62	
Interest on Taxes	79.12	3,230.12
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	962.56	318.68
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	86,434.13	14,745.38
Land Use Change Tax	1,680.00	1,000.00
Yield Taxes	2,578.98	
Total Credits	\$445,059.06	\$72,141.20

REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989 — Tax Collector's Account

Debits

	Levies of:	
	1988	1987
Uncollected Taxes -		
Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$	\$111,264.59
Land Use Change Tax		2,585.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	378,173.17	
Resident Taxes	-0-	
National Bank Stock	-0-	
Land Use Change Tax	16,315.00	
Yield Taxes	11,225.84	
Sewer Rents	-0-	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	1,272.46	
Resident Taxes	-0-	
Yield Taxes		737.52
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	362.00	377.92
a/c Yield Taxes	4.45	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes:		<u>2,350.45</u>
Total Debits	\$407,352.92	\$117,315.48

Credits

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$308,763.03	\$111,642.51
Resident Taxes	-0-	
National Bank Stock	-0-	
Land Use Change Tax	13,463.00	2,585.00
Yield Taxes	11,230.29	737.52
Sewer Rents	-0-	
Interest on Taxes		2,350.45
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	4,985.52	
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 66,059.08	
Resident Taxes	-0-	
National Bank Stock	-0-	
Land Use Change Tax	2,852.00	-0-
Yield Taxes	-0-	-0-
Sewer Rents	-0-	-0-
Total Credits	\$407,352.92	\$117,315.48

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE / TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989

DEBITS

	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of...		
	1987	1986	Prior
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
Beginning of Fiscal Year:	\$	\$1,297.75	\$ 96.84
Taxes Sold/Executed to Town			
During Fiscal Year:	11,442.02		
Added Taxes:		555.28	606.20
Interest Collected after			
Sale/Lien Execution:	<u>510.93</u>	<u>1,257.27</u>	<u>40.57</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$11,952.95	\$3,110.30	\$743.61

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer			
Redemptions	\$ 6,017.47	\$ 372.15	\$292.84
Interest & Costs after sale	510.93	1,257.27	40.57
Unredeemed Taxes End of Year	<u>5,424.55</u>	<u>1,480.88</u>	<u>410.20</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$11,952.95	\$3,110.30	\$743.61

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS

December 31, 1989

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL				INCOME			Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
			Balance Beginning of Year	Cash Gains or (losses) on Securities	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year		
Oct. 20, 1913	Frye Fund (Moulton Hill)	Cemetery	\$ 250.00	\$	\$ 250.00	\$ 143.90	\$	22.22	\$	\$ 166.12
Nov. 27, 1918	James E. Richardson Fund	Cemetery	\$ 200.00		200.00	106.97		17.32		124.29
June 21, 1921	Albert Dow Fund	Cemetery	\$ 100.00		100.00	60.85		3.28	24.00*	40.13
Jan. 3, 1922	Ellen Thornton Fund	Cemetery	\$ 200.00		200.00	205.12		22.86		227.98
Oct. 26, 1925	H. H. Potter Fund	Cemetery	\$ 150.00		150.00	86.37		4.83	24.00*	67.20
May 9, 1988	Candis Miner Fund	Cemetery	\$ 229.41		229.41	8.35		4.84	24.00*	-10.81
	TOTALS		\$ 1,129.41		\$ 1,129.41	\$ 611.56	+\$	75.35	-\$ 72.00	\$ 614.91
Mar. 31, 1975	Capitol Reserve Equip. Fund	Highway Equip.	\$16,501.93	\$	\$16,501.93	\$16,501.93	\$	1,251.37		\$ 17,753.30
July 11, 1986	Capitol Reserve Fund	Dump Closure	\$ 8,074.48	6,750.00	14,824.48	14,824.48		633.70		15,458.18
	TOTALS		\$24,576.41	\$ 6,750.00	\$31,326.41	\$ 31,326.41	\$	1,885.07	\$	\$ 33,211.48
	GRAND TOTAL		\$25,705.82	+\$ 6,750.00	\$32,455.82	\$31,937.97	\$	1,960.42	-\$ 72.00	\$ 33,826.39

All Funds are Bank Deposits

* Service Charge

TOWN CLERK

To the Voters of the Town of Lyman:

I herewith submit my annual report of the financial doings of my office for the year 1989:

Auto Permits Issued for 1989	\$27,907.00
Dog License Fees for 1989	554.00
Penalties & Interest	21.00
Marriage Licenses	26.00
Filing Fees	<u>31.00</u>
Total Receipts	\$28,539.00

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta R. Locke,
Town Clerk

SELECTPERSON'S REPORT

This past year the Town of Lyman saw some significant changes occur. Primarily, we bought and set up a Compuadd computer, now operating in the new offices. Our thanks go to Angie Mazella for her research and assistance in purchasing the computer, and for her willingness to teach our Town Clerk and Administrative Assistant how to operate it. And our congratulations certainly go to both Loretta Locke and Terry Simpson for mastering the computer skills so quickly that our tax bills were printed for the first time by computer.

The Town Hall itself underwent improvements this year, provided by Robert MacKenzie. A badly needed coat of paint, shutter repairs, and required insurance improvements were completed.

Joe Aldrich took over as road agent, and is assisted by Kevin Simpson of Lisbon. This summer saw the Great Washout of Skinny Ridge Road, an event Ms. Capron, and John and Angie Mazella will never forget.

Other important items of note were the school committee, which investigated alternatives to participation in the Lisbon Regional Cooperative School District. The townspeople voiced their desire to renegotiate the agreement, which the Selectmen and several other townspeople began to explore. The town also received a Community Development Block Grant, which will assist income eligible households to improve their homes. We expect to apply for another grant in January 1991 to continue the work of the first grant, which has begun in earnest this year. So far 13 homes have been approved for grants or loans.

The 1990 budget totals \$241,034.00 representing a 12% decrease over last year's budget. Included in the budget are increases in wages paid to Town Employees, Property Tax Re-evaluation Capital Reserve Fund and Lisbon Dump Fees.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT

Although the number of realtors coming through our door in search of new listings has dwindled, 1989 proved to be an active year for the office here at the Town Hall. Activity involved organizing paper work (an ever increasing task) and files, updating our Current Use records eliminating the discrepancies thus alleviating inequities among our "Current Use" land owners, tabulating and utilizing information derived from inventories, providing general information for Townspeople, filling out forms for numerous agencies, over 450 letters of correspondence and 167 requests for information, reviewing records for the swarm of mortgage appraisers that invaded the offices this year; some coming from as far away as Washington, D.C., meeting with our State Senator, the State Forester, and Bernie Waugh, legal counsel for NHMA, doing prep work for our assessor's visit after the 1st of April, as well as learning to use our new computer and generating our own tax bills this year.

As has always been the case in Lyman, many hours have been expended on a voluntary basis. From June to December 1989, between Loretta and myself several hundred hours of overtime were spent entering information into the computer and doing our own tax bills. All this would have been impossible without the help, encouragement, and hours of service by Angela Mazella. When one considers the volunteer work necessary for a small Town to operate, a special note of appreciation must be extended to our Selectmen: Tuesday meetings are just the beginning...add to that calls at home, dump meetings, school meetings, municipal meetings, court cases...on and on. Our school board members are also worthy of a sincere note of appreciation, as well as the many others involved spending their free hours with Town business.

A sincere and special thanks to all the staff at the NHMA, whose services and knowledge are invaluable to our little Town, to Ed Rainville from the Department of Revenue who patiently helps us over the rough spots, to Malcolm Call our Tax Assessor, and to our own Jim and Loretta Locke for all they so willingly do on a daily basis to serve the Town of Lyman.

It appears that our road crew has stabilized. Joe Aldrich and Kevin Simpson have worked diligently at a thankless task. They are a unique team--probably the only roadcrew in NH with a rescued duck for a mascot! (Speaks of a certain character of these two big guys)

1990, continuing to learn from our mistakes, with understanding now from the DRA, we will be applying our current tax ratio to Current Use values each year. This means that Current Use values will need to be tabulated every year. It will also reflect an increase to full market value when land is removed from Current Use status. Along with the routine work load, we will be organizing old deeds, updating and correlating files, delineating flood plains and continuing to work with the computer.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry L. Simpson

LISBON REGIONAL SCHOOL REPORT (1989)

This might be the year that "Gulliver" awoke and found himself uncomfortably bound in Lyman. However, it is good to be awake, even if circumstances seem difficult to bear. After 20 years in a regional agreement/contract the community of Lyman began asking questions with regard to alternatives, finances, and quality of education.

School costs continue to rise and despite a minimal 2% change in the 1989-90 budget from the previous year. (\$1,612,101 vs. \$1,582,904) At this point our assessment of the total budget represents 25% of the total cost, according to local SAU #35. (\$254,987) This March (1990) will begin the 2nd year of a three-year negotiated budget with the teacher's union. As of 1988-89 our Average Daily Membership (ADM) for Lyman was 42.9 students. One final statistic worthy of attention is that 67% of our tax dollar goes to school tax. (\$37.66 of \$56.33) Numbers of this amount certainly warrant close examination.

In response to this and concerns about the quality of education at Lisbon an education committee was formed with consent of the town gathered at town meeting. Their later suggestion was to look seriously toward going to Littleton. Again, by a non-binding poll vote, the community said to stay with Lisbon and work for change. It was good to do some hard thinking. Now we are committed to working for change. What change?

1). Control of Costs

- Under this comes our response to a proposed \$4.9 million school bond vote of February 20, 1990.
- Also active consideration of annual budgets with suggested increased administrative/staff costs.
- Participation beyond school board members at any meeting where a vote on budgets will be taken.

2). Quality of education.

- Apart from any personal concerns had by your two representatives to the school board, the community needs to be aware of what is going on; present your concerns to your local members, or come to a school board meeting. **WORK FOR CHANGE** -- it can/must be done! (PTA; visit classes; write letters; say "no" to budgets until change comes, etc.)

Paying someone to do a job does not remove one from being responsible to oversight of outcomes. Some say their concern is taxes only as they have no children in school. The student leaving school today (graduate or non-graduate) is the leader of our community within 10-20 years. What happens to them is a concern whether they are "kinfolk" or not. Let us continue actively working long & short term to make our school system produce what we're paying for; or change it so it does occur.

LISBON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Assessment for Lyman

Below is the final assessment for the LISBON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT for 1989-1990 showing the assessment for LYMAN in the amount of \$254,987.00.

July, 1989	\$ 19,000.00
August, 1989	19,000.00
September, 1989	19,000.00
October, 1989	19,000.00
November 1, 1989	19,000.00
December 4, 1989	23,000.00
January 2, 1990	23,000.00
February 1, 1990	23,000.00
March 1, 1990	23,000.00
April 2, 1990	23,000.00
May 1, 1990	23,000.00
June 4, 1990	<u>21,987.00</u>
	\$254,987.00

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

1990 Road Plan

Road Work

Routine

As soon as the weather allows and the roads are dry enough we plan to grade and rake the roads.

Clean all the culverts

Gravel where needed-

(Use bank run gravel for base then top with 3" of crushed gravel. In my opinion crushed gravel is too expensive to use for fill. This pertains to roads I graveled last year (1989) and any that we do this year (1990)).

New Work

We plan to cut landscape, and widen lower end of Quebec Road. Most of this land that we plan to work on belongs to Miss Elizabeth Huber, and Mr. Keith Booth.

If bank is gravel will use gravel on other roads where needed. We need to rent for outside equipment a chipper and a Dozer or Drott.

We plan on tarring the road by Robert Meserve's. Also, we plan on patching all pot-holes in the tar roads and then resealing them, according to the recommendations and specifications of New Hampshire Bituminous Co.

Respectfully Submitted,

Byron "Joe" Aldrich, Road Agent

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board approved 5 subdivisions and 3 boundary line adjustments.

Subdivisions

Property Owner	Acreage	# Lots Made	Location
Ruth Simpson	135	2	Tinkerville Rd.
Pat Zander	189	2	Parker Hill Rd. Under Mt. Rd.
Donald Miller	80	4	Dodge Hill Rd.
Mark Groblewski	17.4	2	Parker Hill Rd. Quebec Rd.
Doris Disbrow	28	2	Schute Rd.

BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENTS

Property Owner	Location
Brett Presby	Hurd Hill Road
Dale Colby	Dodge Pond Road
Donald Miller	Dodge Hill Road

Angela Mazella, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission was established at the 1989 Town Meeting. Members include Terry Simpson, Keith Booth, Angela Mazella and Fred Winslow.

The Commission accepted the waterfall property on Monroe Road from Roderick Mitchell and established Mitchell Park. The Park is attended by Arkade Dusik. A picnic table and sign were acquired for the park.

The Commission talked to some large landowners in Lyman about donating part of their land to the Trust for New Hampshire Lands. Efforts thus far have been unsuccessful. The Conservation Commissions of Landaff, Lisbon and Lyman met to establish a Recycling Committee. Establishment of such a committee was included as a warrant article for 1990.

Also included as a warrant article is a plan to set aside 50% of current use revenues (from land taken out of current use) to purchase land for the Town of Lyman. Recommendations for such land purchases will be prepared by the Commission in 1990.

Lastly, two road cleanup days, April 21 and September 22, will be sponsored by the Lyman Conservation Commission. Trash bags and trash pick-up will be arranged by the Commission.

Angela Mazella, Chairman

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

During calendar year 1989, the State of New Hampshire experienced an average number of wildfires. The three leading causes of these wildfires were fires kindled without a fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden, children, and debris burning fires that escaped control. All these causes are preventable, but only with your help.

Please help your town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. By New Hampshire State Law (RSA 224:27b), "No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or burn or caused to be burned any material, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done."

Violations of RSA 224:27 and the other burning laws of the state are misdemeanors punishable of fines up to \$1,000.00 and/or a year in jail, and you are also liable for paying all fire suppression cost.

The State of New Hampshire Division of Forest and Lands assisted many towns in wildland fire suppression during 1989, including several large fires in Alton, Allenstown, Chesterfield, and Concord areas, as well as the 100 acre fire on Mt. Belknap in Gilford.

In order to eliminate false alarms, it is advisable to notify your local fire department whenever you intend to do any outdoor burning.

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

Richard C. Belmore, Forest Ranger
Brian Santy, Forest Fire Warden

FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1989

Number of Fires Statewide	550
Acres Burned Statewide	554
DISTRICT - 8	
Number of Fires	18
Acres Burned	46
TOWN - LYMAN	
Number of Fires	2
Acres Burned	1

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The Community Association sponsored 3 suppers, a flea market and a Halloween party in 1989. Proceeds (a little under \$2000) will be used to supply the Grange with indoor running water.

The Association also purchased Christmas wreaths for the Grange and Town Hall.

An application was submitted to the Preservation Institute for the Building Crafts in Windsor, Vermont. This organization trains building trade professionals to restore historic buildings and will be looking for on-site training locations. The Community Association filed an application proposing the Lyman Grange as one of the on-site training locations.

This year's calendar of events includes:

June 23	Flea Market
August 25	Bean Supper
September 29	Bean Supper
October 27	Halloween Party
December 8	Christmas Party

The Community Association also plans a Lyman Calendar for 1991. We are looking for old pictures of Lyman, historic locations and towns people.

WELFARE SERVICES

Since the 1989 budget appropriation for welfare assistance was made, Lyman has received one application for temporary financial aid.

The request was honored, and the assistance granted in the amount of \$508.28 for fuel and electric bills.

Yvonne Booth
Overseer of the Poor

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Unlike town and school budgets which are passed by local voters each March, the Grafton County fiscal year budget is passed by the 28-member Legislative Delegation in late June, and takes effect July 1st. The State Department of Revenue Administration determines each town's share of county taxes based on the town's proportion of total assessed valuation in the county. The town collects the tax for the county, so the town's property tax rate reflects its share of the county tax as well as town and school taxes.

In 1989, Grafton County's budget increased from \$10.1 million to \$11.2 million. The increase in the operating budget is mostly due to growing caseload and increased costs for Intermediate Nursing Home Care and the cost of staffing and operating the new jail wing. The good news is that the cost of court-ordered placements for juveniles has levelled off after increasing 160% from 1985 to 1989.

The amount of the county budget to be raised by property taxes increased from \$5.0 million to \$6.3 million, in large part because most of the 1988 surplus was used to pay for construction of the jail addition and because of increased costs of Intermediate Nursing Home Care payments to the State. It should be noted that 48.5% of the county tax collected from the towns is paid directly to the State for the county share of nursing home care, old age assistance, and aid to permanently and totally disabled.

The construction of a new 30-bed minimum security unit at the County Department of Corrections was completed in March of this year, and inmates were moved in during the first week in April. Thanks to the strong hands-on management and control by Supt. Bill Siegmund and Clerk of the Works Wayne Whitney, the county managed to complete the \$1.6 million project with a \$9,197 surplus. And by using \$500,000 in surplus funds as a down payment, we only bonded \$1.1 million.

Because of increasingly crowded conditions at the Grafton County Courthouse, the Commissioners are looking into both short- and long-range solutions to the County's space problems. Working with Samyn-D'Elia & Assoc. to develop plans and projected costs, we expect to present plans early in 1990 for possible cost effective, short-term solutions, including renovating the county owned duplex house.

The Commissioners are also anticipating changes in the overall management structure of the county next year with administrator Siegmund's retirement in June. The Nursing Home Complex (the nursing home, jail and farm) will be separated into three separate facilities with individual administrators. The Commissioners are considering the impact of this conversion on the county business office and overall county operations in order to ensure a successful response to the changes brought about by Mr. Siegmund's retirement.

The Grafton County Commissioners meet weekly on Wednesdays at the Grafton County Courthouse in North Haverhill. We encourage public attendance and welcome tours of our facilities. For further information, please call the Commissioners' Office at 787-6941 or contact Commissioners Betty Jo Taffe (Rumney), Everett Grass (Sugar Hill), or Gerard Zeiller (Lebanon).

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL, INC. Annual Report

The year 1989 marked the North Country Council's seventeenth year of successful operation. As chartered under NH RSA 36:45, the Council provides non-profit local and regional planning assistance to member municipalities. In addition to general planning services, the Council offers its constituents specialty services in cultural resource conservation, economic development, housing, natural resource management, solid waste management and transportation. The four standing Council committees, Economic Development, Housing, Land Use and Transportation, actively direct the Council's policies in these areas.

In LYMAN the Council met with the Board of Selectmen to discuss a new Community Development Block Grant housing program. The Council prepared a successful CDBG housing rehabilitation application, which was funded for \$215,000, and administered the Lyman Housing Improvement Program, which began operation in September. The Council also provided information to the Planning Board regarding premature and scattered development.

Community planning challenges dominated the Council's 1989 agenda. Changing state mandates and furthered residential and commercial growth busied local planning and zoning boards throughout the year. The Council assisted these boards in preparing for the challenges through regional workshops, technical bulletins and newsletters and as-needed assistance on technical and specific issues. The Council co-sponsored the popular Municipal Law Lecture Series which addressed new case law, grandfathering and the revised excavation statute. The Council also assisted numerous towns in revising zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations and site plan review regulations, thereby updating these regulations to better meet and manage the new challenges.

The Council's 1989 work program continued to promote community development projects, as well. Managing close to two million dollars in Community Development Block Grant monies, the Council administers programs in ten North Country communities. Many are housing improvement programs, yet others support sewer projects, day care development, and municipal water supply projects.

In summary, it is important to understand that the Council is organized to provide these valuable services for the benefit of our local town governments. The Council's continued success in meeting the ever-changing demands of the North Country is dependent upon the active participation of our members. We rely upon and enjoy your involvement as town officials and concerned citizens, and look forward to assisting you in this coming year.

NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH AGENCY, INC.

The North Country Home Health Agency, Inc. is a not-for-profit community service agency providing a wide range of home care services to the residents of twenty-one North Country communities. The Agency is beginning its twentieth year of providing quality home care service. The Agencies well utilized programs include: intermittant Skilled Nursing care; Homemaker/Home Health Aide visits; Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapies; Parent-Aide (child abuse prevention) services; Adult-in-Home Day Care; Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Respite care; School Nursing; and clinics and screenings for the community and businesses. 1989 was a busy and exciting year for the Agency. After an extensive search for long-term housing for the Agency we moved to new quarters located at 4 Mt. Eustis Road, Littleton. Through a unique co-operative effort the Agency has been able to secure a long-term lease in the new office building owned by Ammonoosuc Family Health Services, located on property leased by the Littleton Hospital Association and funded by a loan to AFHS by the Farmer's Home Administration. As a result of this move the Agency is able to provide services more effeciently. the Agency also instituted a Cholesterol screening and education program during 1989. Through generous donations from local Lions and Rotary Clubs the Agency purchased cholesterol screening equipment and trained the professional nursing staff to provide individual education. As a result, the Agency has expanded the community and business health screening programs and will continue to expand these programs in 1990.

The Agency provided a total of 9697 home visits during 1989, conducted 31 clinics and screenings for the community and businesses. (Including administering 570 influenza immunizations), and provided 30,434 hours of Adult-in-Home Care services.

In the town of Lyman, NH 3 individuals received:

	Number of Visits
Skilled Nursing	46
Physical Therapy Visits	4

The Agency welcomes your comments or suggestions regarding services that are currently being provided or that you would like to see provided in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Presby,
Executive Director
North Country
Home Health Agency, Inc.

WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

1989 Director's Report

The 1990's will usher in a different type of service delivery system in Mental Health and Developmental Services. The system will be more comprehensive in its ability to care for the most impaired individuals in our communities. The transition of individuals from the institutions (New Hampshire Hospital and Laconia State School) has almost been completed. The institutions have been reduced in size and there are limits on who can now be admitted. The focus of care has been shifted to the community.

We have accommodated this change with an expansion of our housing and community support (case management, respite and supported housing) services. The growth of our Agency has tripled in the last five years. Most of the growth has been in the area of supports for the formerly institutionalized population. The other services we offer have not experienced this kind of growth or change. The demand remains high for these services and the supports have not kept pace. One example is our outpatient Mental Health program. We see more people for more visits in this program than any other. However, we have not received increases in state or federal support which match the demand for service. Forty-two per cent of the people we see do not have insurance and are responsible for their own fee. We approach you to assist us in our efforts to continue to help us to provide these services. Thank you for your past support and for your continuing concern.

The following information will summarize some of our work during this past year.

Mental Health Services- We operate one full-time and three part-time offices. The full-time office is located in Littleton at 16 Maple Street. The part-time offices are located in Woodsville at the Woodsville Clinic, in Lincoln at the Lin-Wood Medical Center, and in Lancaster at Weeks Memorial Hospital.

Last year, we saw over 800 individuals for 4,115 outpatient visits.

- 400 visits were of an emergency nature
- 21% of our service involves children
- 14% of our service involves the elderly
- 65% of our service involves adults
- Our Partial Hospitalization Program offered over 6,000 hours of service

We offer a comprehensive array of services including: 24 hour emergency, drug and alcohol, case management, inpatient, and partial hospitalization.

Developmental Services

- Early Intervention - Home-based service for 0-3 year old children who are delayed in their development. Services include: screening, assessment, treatment, and referral. Last year, we began to provide clinics throughout our region to increase our ability to serve more children.

- **Day Habilitation Program** - Provides instruction to our most severely impaired adult population. The program works in conjunction with their residential programming as well as providing training and instruction in self care skills, pre-vocational skills, paid work, and other therapeutic services such as speech therapy and physical therapy. This program has been primarily used by former Laconia State School residents; however, we have had community clients who have been referred by the local school systems. Last year, we served twelve (12) clients in two locations (Littleton and Pike).

- **Supported Employment** - Provides training, instruction, and work adjustment for mentally ill and mentally retarded individuals. Paid work opportunities for the individuals can take place either in the community or in the Workshop itself. We currently operate three active job sites directly in the community. We recently turned over one of our job crews directly to an employer. We have also completed over twenty individual job placements.

We are grateful for your past support of our programs and look forward to continuing to serve you in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis C. MacKay
Area Director

**BIRTHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1989**

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
March 3, 1989 Littleton, NH	Sarah Anne Rega	Joseph Luigi Rega	Louise Marie Lammey
March 21, 1989 Littleton, NH	Kathleen Marie Lasko	William James Lasko	Joyce Mary Sylvester
May 5, 1989 Littleton, NH	Robert Neil Mackenzie	Robert William Mackenzie	Lisa Marie Locke
June 12, 1989 Littleton, NH	Matthew Ryan Woods	Michael Jeffery Woods	Rena Elaine Simpson
July 14, 1989 Littleton, NH	Aaron Christopher Cate	Christopher Simon Cate	Karen Ann Ash
August 22, 1989 Littleton, NH	Sarah Beth Hubbard	Darren Jon Hubbard	Beth Maureen Landry
September 23, 1989 Littleton, NH	Danielle Taylor Hood	Duane Chester Hood	Lisa Ann Tate
October 29, 1989 Lyman, NH	Hilary Booth Huntington	William Stiles Huntington	Leslie Platt

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1989**

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE
March 18, 1989	Brian Aguiar Kristi L. Morgan	Tiverton, RI Tiverton, RI
June 10, 1989	Carl H. Marsh Jr. Wendy A. Comstock	Littleton, NH Lyman, NH
September 9, 1989	Juan Miguel Tkalcic Kristen Lee Brown	Quebec, Canada Lyman, NH

**DEATHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1989**

DATE OF DEATH	NAME & SURNAME OF THE DECEASED	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
September 21, 1989	Christopher J. Disbrow	Nathan Disbrow	Sarah Cummings

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