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Friends and neighbors gather to dedicate a park bench to George Mattson (in hat and plaid jacket) for his volunteerism to the town, including forty-seven years of service on the Recreation Commission. He worked as an engineer at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. George passed away on February 12, 2017 at the age of 91.

Front Cover: Bellamy Reservoir nears historic lows due to drought.

Photo K. Fiegenbaum

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 2016

Moderator

Frederick Green
Term expires 2018

Assistant Moderator

Wallace Dunham
Donald Goodnow

Board of Selectmen

Bruce E. Hodsdon	Term expires March 2017
Joseph B. Moriarty	Term expires March 2018
Robert E. Sterndale	Term expires March 2019

Administrative Assistant

Eric Fiegenbaum

Town Clerk-Tax Collector

Katherine K. Cornwell, 2019

Deputy Clerk/Collector

Lisa Amarosa, appointed 2015

Asst Clerk/Collector

LeeAnn Simpson, appointed 2008

Treasurer

Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom, 2017

Town Auditors

Susan Cilia, 2017 • Linda Stewart, 2018

Trustees of Trust Funds

Diane Hodgson, 2017 • Robyn Gault, 2018 • Judith Engalichev, 2019

Cemetery Trustees

Roderic Hutton, 2017 • William Leslie, 2018 • Sandra O'Neil, 2019

Library Trustees

Noreen Gaetjens, 2017 • Lisa Amarosa, 2018 • Laura Price, 2019
Betsy Renshaw, Alt, 2017 • Edna O'Sullivan, Alt, 2017

Supervisors of the Checklist

Mary Ellen Reisch, 2018 • Patricia Lawrence, 2020 • Kathleen O'Shea, 2022

Planning Board

Frederick Green, Chair, 2017 • Thomas Burbank, 2017 • Douglas Hoff, 2017
Mark Avery, 2019 • Julie McCabe, 2019 • Marcia Goodnow, 2019
Wallace Dunham, Alt, 2018 • Robert E Sterndale (*ex officio*)

Conservation Commission

John Crooks, 2017 • Katherine Frid, 2017 • Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair, 2018
Alison Cloutier, 2019 • Indulis Gleske, 2019
Emily Marshal, Alt, 2018 • C Thomas Crosby, Alt, 2019
Elizabeth Cilley, Alt, 2019

Zoning Board

Richard Erickson, 2017 • William Taylor, Vice chair, 2017
Donald Sylvester, Chair, 2018 • Janet Wall, 2018
Jack Meyer, 2019 • Gray Cornwell IV, Alt, 2019
Lorraine Morong, Alt, 2019 • Gary Cilley, Alt, 2019

Recreation Commission

Joan Sundberg, 2017 • George Mattson, 2018 • Susan Cilia, 2018
Justin Corrow, 2019 • Nancy Hoff, 2019
Bruce E. Hodsdon (*ex officio*)

Water Resources Board

Garret Ahlstrom, Chair, 2018 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2018
Michael O'Sullivan, 2019 • Janet Wall, 2019
Robert E. Sterndale (*ex officio*)

Building Inspector

Justin Corrow

Health Officer

Robert Gaetjens

Deputy Health Officer

Toni Kaplan

Overseer of Public Welfare

Board of Selectmen

Road Agent

Board of Selectmen

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden

Thomas Perley

Assistant Fire Chief

W. Jim Davis

Police Chief

Joseph E. McGann

Emergency Management Director

Thomas Perley

Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Thomas Burbank, 2017 • C. Thomas Crosby, 2018 • Mark Avery, 2021

Lamprey Regional Solid Waste Cooperative

Joseph Moriarty, Representative

Oyster River Cooperative School District

Daniel Klein, Board Member, 2018

Oyster River Local Advisory Committee

Tom Falk, 2018 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2018

**RECORD OF TOWN MEETING
MARCH 8, 2016**

Moderator Frederick Green called the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire, to order Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 11:00 AM. The polls were declared open and the following Ballot Clerks were sworn in by the Moderator:

Mary Ellen Duffy Diane Hodgson Doreen Sterndale Melissa Walker

At 7:00 PM Moderator Green explained his expectations for the deliberative session to the assembled citizens (approximately 100). He introduced the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk. He then asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence for those Madbury citizens who passed away in 2015 and to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those deceased include: Randy Hatch, Ian Walker, Beverly Lapointe, Eileen Semprini, Winston Lobdell, Hubert Cathcart, Louis Mroz, Eileen Corrow, Ruth Shirley, Debbie Zarembo, Marc Labrie, Robert Jennison, Charles Krouse.

Town Clerk Katherine Cornwell led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Moderator announced that the polls would remain open until 7:30pm. He explained the rules of order.

ARTICLE 1: The following Town Officers were elected by Official Ballot:
(sample ballot on file)

Moderator for the ensuing two years..... Frederick W. Green
Selectman for the ensuing three years..... Robert Sterndale
Town Clerk/Tax Collector for the ensuing three years . Katherine K. Cornwell
Treasurer for the ensuing year..... Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom
Auditor for the ensuing two years..... Linda Stewart
Trustee of Trust Funds for the ensuing three years Judith Engalichev
Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three yearsSandra O’Neil
Library Trustee for the ensuing three years Laura Price
Supervisor of the Checklist for the ensuing six yearsKathleen O’Shea

ARTICLE 2: To vote to amend Town Zoning Ordinances as recommended by the Planning Board (Majority vote required)

AMENDMENT 1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1 to revise Article XIII, Section 3, to clarify the requirements for building on non-conforming lots? (Majority vote required) YES (244 NO (41)

ARTICLE 3: Robert Hodgson of Freshet Rd moved, and James Davis of Mill Hill Rd. seconded, a motion authorizing the Selectmen to choose all other town officers. (Majority vote required)

Hearing no discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 4: Selectman Bruce Hodsdon moved, and Treasurer Deborah Ahlstrom seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Three Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Seven Dollars (\$1,322,477.00) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon spoke in support of the motion. He remarked on the reasonableness of the budget and encouraged residents to attend the work sessions as well as the Budget Hearings. The budget is recommended unanimously by the Board of Selectmen.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 5: Fire Chief Tom Perley of Littleworth Rd. moved, and Nancy Pape of Nute Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$49,000) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Chief Perley spoke in support of the motion. He explained the Fire Department's equipment needs and the cost of replacements. Replacing one of the big trucks could be over \$400,000.00 and this money will be set aside like a savings account to be used as needed, helping to spread the big expenses over many years.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 6: Selectman Robert Sterndale moved, and Robert Drugan of Moharimet Dr. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to add to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale explained that the state requires revaluation of all town properties at least every five years. 2015 was the most recent year for a complete revaluation. The town does incur costs for assessing every year. It is better for the town to spread these costs across the five years.

Hearing no discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 7: Selectman Sterndale moved and Selectman Joseph Moriarty seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2000 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property and/or easements. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required).

Selectman Sterndale explained that the Board of Selectmen act as agents for this fund which allows the town to purchase property that may become availa-

ble during the year, as in 2014 when a purchase of the Schreiber property on Cherry Lane was completed.

Michael Beagen of Moharimet Dr. asked how the money is invested. Selectman Sterndale said that it goes into a fund held by the Trustees of the Trust Funds. Like most investments today it earns at a very low interest rate.

Peter Rhoades of Sarah Paul Hill asked why, when money is allocated, it is sometimes approved by the Board of Selectmen and sometimes comes before Town Meeting for a vote (as in Article 21 of the 2016 Warrant).

Selectman Sterndale explained that the Board of Selectmen has the authority to spend this money. Article 21 actually addresses different authorizations allowing the town to enter into agreements, not the expenditure of funds. He said he would explain further when Article 21 is under discussion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 8: Library Trustee Noreen Gaetjens moved, and Richard Erickson of Moharimet Dr. seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Trustee Gaetjens spoke in favor of the motion. She explained the history of the library beginning with a book cart in a Town Hall closet. The Friends of the Madbury Library organization was established to support the library through fundraising, advocacy, etc. She thanked the many town residents who have shown their support for the library. The Manypenny Murphy Architects firm has been chosen to design the new library building. Some preliminary drawings are present tonight and more will be available soon. The Town of Madbury will contribute the land and anticipates having \$750,000.00 in available funding for the project. The remainder will be raised through grants and fundraising.

Constantine Engalichev of Freshet Rd asked if there is a forecast of future operating costs, what that amount is, and who will be responsible for paying it. Trustee Gaetjens said every attempt is being made to try to keep costs low. The current building is very small so the proposed structure will be more expensive, even though it will be more energy efficient. The additional operating costs will be included in the Town Budget.

Mr. Engalichev asked if there were any forecast of what the costs will be in the future.

Selectman Sterndale responded that we should know before next year's Town Meeting.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote.

Some NAY More AYE PASSED

ARTICLE 9: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Tom Perley seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4

at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the history of the Iafolla property. The town wants to keep it mowed and generally in good shape for the future. Michael Beagen of Moharimet Dr. asked why this property can't be wild. Selectman Moriarty said that the Board of Selectmen believes it is appropriate to keep the land available for future use by spending a little money now for routine maintenance.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote.

Some NAY More AYE PASSED

After noting that the time was 7:28 PM, the Moderator advised anyone who had not voted on Articles 1 and 2 that they should do so now.

ARTICLE 10: Recreation Commission Chairperson Susan Cilia moved and Selectman Hodsdon seconded a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Chairperson Cilia said that the commission plans to add fitness stations to the Tibbetts property and expand the walking trail. Fritz Green of Garrison Lane asked where the expansion would be. Chairperson Cilia said it would be towards the cemetery in another loop.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

Chairperson Cilia asked for residents to volunteer to serve on the Recreation Commission.

ARTICLE 11: Selectman Hodsdon moved, and Joe Yadao of Bunker Lane seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon spoke about moderating expenses by the use of Capital Reserve Funds. He explained that vehicles are rotated through the Police and Fire Departments to extend their useful service.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote.

A few NAY More AYE PASSED

ARTICLE 12: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Tom Perley seconded a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for purchasing grounds maintenance.

nance equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the necessity of having appropriate equipment to care for the fields and other areas owned by the town.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 13: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Selectman Hodsdon seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the need to have funds available to do necessary major repair work to town owned buildings.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 14: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Nancy Pape seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the history of this article, referencing the Nute Rd. Bridge and a culvert on Freshet Rd. that have been 'red-flagged' by the NH Department of Transportation. The state will have money available (approximately 80%) but the town will need to fund the remaining 20%. Jennifer Perley of Littleworth Rd asked about the time frame. Selectman Moriarty replied that the Nute Rd. bridge is expected to be worked on in 2021. The current structure is expected to be safe until that time. It is currently inspected yearly to insure safety. There is no estimate for the Freshet Rd. culvert. Bob Hodgson of Freshet Rd. asked if the Evans Rd. bridge is gone forever. Selectman Moriarty said there are no plans to build a bridge there as the costs are prohibitive. Mr. Hodgson asked if the railroad would help pay the cost. Selectman Moriarty replied that it is safe to assume the railroad would not agree to fund such a project. He noted that the cost of replacing the bridge over the railroad tracks was prohibitive due to the height and other safety requirements of that project.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

At 7:44PM the Moderator declared the polls closed.

ARTICLE 15: Selectman Hodsdon moved and Janet Wall of Kelley Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to establish a Hayes Road Repair and Repave Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of repairing and repaving Hayes Road and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon explained that Hayes Rd will need extensive funds in the future to rebuild the shoulders and repave the road.

Peter Rhoades of Sarah Paul Hill asked if this money would be used for normal repairs. Selectman Hodsdon explained that this money is set aside specifically for the repave/rebuild anticipated happening in 5 or 6 years.

Rhonda Hodsdon of Hayes Rd. asked if there is any chance a bike lane would be added as so many residents bike, run and walk on this busy road. Selectman Hodsdon said that had not been anticipated or discussed but that Town Meeting could vote to include that.

Rob Drugan of Moharimet Dr. asked if Town Hall Rd. could be included. Selectman Hodsdon noted that the Town does not own or maintain Town Hall Rd. The state is responsible and hears from us regularly about the condition of the road. Some work is scheduled for this year.

Chuck Sullivan of Madbury Woods asked if Hayes Rd. is a state road. It is not.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 16: Treasurer Ahlstrom moved and Cemetery Trustee Noreen Gaetjens seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) to add to the Madbury Memorial Park Fund- Expendable Trust established in Article 6 at the 1994 Town Meeting for the purpose of maintenance and operation of the Madbury Memorial Park, to be funded by \$250 from the December 31, 2015 fund balance, which was increased by \$250 during 2015 from Cemetery Lot Sales. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Treasurer Ahlstrom noted she had been given permission to speak to Articles 16 and 17 at the same time as they are related. She explained that we vote on this article every year to deposit an amount equal to \$50.00 for each cemetery lot sold in the previous year to this expendable trust fund. Five lots were sold in 2015. She said that this trust fund goes toward maintenance as directed by the Cemetery Trustees. Due to changes in state law, if Article 17 passes it will not be necessary to vote on this appropriation every year. All sales from 2016 forward will be able to be turned over to the Trustees of Trust Funds and \$50.00 deposited automatically into the Madbury Memorial Park Expendable Trust Fund.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 17: Treasurer Ahlstrom moved and Cemetery Trustee Noreen Gaetjens seconded a motion to see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 289:2-a, to deposit \$50 from the future sale of each cemetery lot into the Madbury Memorial Park Expendable Trust Fund, established in Article 6 of the 1994 Town Meeting, for the purpose of maintenance and operation of the Madbury Memorial Park. Recommended by the Selectmen and the Cemetery Trustees (Majority vote required)

Trustee Gaetjens thanked the other cemetery trustees and Treasurer Ahlstrom for their work.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 18: Selectman Sterndale moved and Selectman Moriarty seconded a motion to see if the Town will modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Madbury, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, as provided in RSA 72:39-a and 72:39-b, to be as follows:

For a person 65 years of age and up to 75 years - \$90,000

For a person 75 years of age and up to 80 years - \$110,000

For a person 80 years of age or older - \$130,000

To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five consecutive years preceding April 1st, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$40,000 or, if married, a combined income of not more than \$50,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$180,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Ballot vote- majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale explained that these figures have not changed in 10 years and the Selectmen feel it is appropriate to revise them periodically. Currently 14 residents meet the criteria and the amount not collected by the town is about \$27,000.00. Though not required to be voted on by secret ballot, the decision was made to do so.

Moderator Green declared the polls open at 8:02. The Ballot Clerks distributed ballots to registered voters. Moderator Green declared the polls closed at 8:20.

The Ballot Clerks counted the ballots: YES (101) NO (5) PASSED

ARTICLE 19: Conservation Commission Chair Eric Fiegenbaum of Moharimet Dr. moved and Peg Wolcott of Old Stage Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2016 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund account held by the municipal treasurer (RSA 41:29). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Chairperson Fiegenbaum explained that this is a recurring article. This fund allows the Conservation Commission to set aside money for purchase of land or conservation easements.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 20: Selectman Sterndale moved and Selectman Moriarty seconded, a motion to see if the town will delegate to the Board of Selectmen the authority to accept dedicated streets in accordance with RSA 674:40-a. This would authorize the Selectmen to accept subdivision streets as public roads without a warrant article at Town Meeting. This authorization remains in effect unless

and until rescinded by vote of the Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale explained that historically Town Meeting votes to accept roads (and the associated costs). This would allow the Board of Selectman to accept a road at any time during the year.

Mike Lilly of Cherry Lane asked if there is a backlog of roads waiting to be accepted. Selectman Sterndale said there is currently one road, off of Huckins Road, waiting for acceptance.

Mike Beagen of Moharimet Dr. asked who names the streets in town. Selectman Hodsdon stated that the Madbury Historical Society has a list of suggested names from which the Board of Selectmen chooses.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

The Moderator reported the results of the ballot vote on Article 18 (see above).

ARTICLE 21: Eric Fiegenbaum of Moharimet Dr. moved and Mike Lilly of Cherry Lane seconded, a motion to see if the Town should help facilitate encumbering the recently purchased “Schreiber Property” and approximately 227 acres of abutting “Goss Properties” (in Madbury, Lee and Durham) with Conservation Easements (with public access), by authorizing the Selectmen to:

Grant a Conservation Easement on the town owned “Schreiber Property” (Map 6 Lot 13-C) to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests if it purchases abutting “Goss Properties,”

Accept a Conservation Easement on those portions of the Goss Properties the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests purchases to own in Madbury, and

Negotiate terms and conditions relating to this three town conservation effort, including the granting of “executory interests” and/or “easement enforcement rights” to participating governmental funding agencies.

If this Article is approved, the Selectmen will expend funds from the Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund, and the Conservation Commission will expend funds from the Conservation Fund following Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission Public Hearings. In addition to acquiring approximately 192 acres of Goss Properties to own, the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests intends to acquire and hold a Conservation Easement on approximately 32 acres of property the Goss family intends to retain. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Mr. Fiegenbaum asked the Moderator for permission to introduce Mr. Brian Hotz from the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (aka Forest Society) who will explain the hope for this property. Moderator Green asked if anyone present had any objection to hearing from Mr. Hotz, who is not a resident of the town. Hearing no objection, permission to speak was granted. Using a large poster showing the property, which includes land in Madbury, Durham and Lee, Mr. Hotz explained the hope that this large acre-

age would be preserved as open space available for recreation for generations to come.

Peter Rhoades of Sarah Paul Hill asked what the benefit to the town is; is the town giving away value by granting these easements? Mr. Hotz answered that the conservation easement would keep this land undeveloped in perpetuity. Selectman Hodsdon stated that the town anticipates contributing \$50,000.00 and the Conservation Commission is aiming to contribute \$25,000.00, and the value of the easement to be granted is \$175,000.00. In exchange the town will receive professional management of the trails and property and open space will be conserved. Durham is expected to contribute \$123,000.00 and Lee is voting today on a \$150,000.00 contribution. Most of the land is in Madbury so it makes sense that the greatest amount (when land and money are totaled) is from Madbury. The total cost is expected to be around \$2,200,000.00 when all expenses are accounted.

Selectman Hodsdon stated that the property is adjacent to the Tibbetts property and long range planning includes providing access between the two pieces.

Brooke Keeler of Cherry Lane asked who will make the access decisions. Mr. Hotz answered that the Forest Society and the 3 towns will decide together. Using the access through Tibbetts Field certainly makes sense.

Ms. Keeler asked what happens if the full amount can't be raised. Mr. Hotz said the Forest Society already has \$600,000.00 in addition to the town monies. There is a campaign that will continue through 2016. The society very much appreciates the patience and generosity of the Goss family as the process continues. If the money isn't raised then the property would remain under its current ownership and the family would decide what to do with it.

Rob Drugan asked about cost sharing and grants that might be available. Mr. Hotz said that the Forest Society is approaching many different organizations, LCHIP, NHDES, etc for possible funding. There are many small grants available, some are already pending.

Nancy Pape asked about the water value and the historic value of the property. Mr. Hotz stated there are many attributes that make this an attractive site to conserve. The Oyster River provides habitat for a variety of species, as well as drinking water. There is a 10 mile trail system already in place. It has been host to many historic figures including the Powder Major of revolutionary times, and Chief DeMerritt, and as a planting ground for native people.

Selectman Hodsdon clarified that the money from Madbury can be authorized for expenditure by the Board of Selectmen which has the authority granted in previous years. The Conservation Commission also has the authority to expend funds as it deems necessary. This article will allow the Board to grant the easement. The Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission and the Planning Board all recommend passage.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 22: To hear the reports of any Committees, Town Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto. NONE

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

Lorraine Morong of Piscataqua Bridge Rd. moved that the assembled residents vote unanimously on the following statement:

“Let it be known that the Town Meeting on March 8, 2016 voted unanimously to adopt Nancy K. Bergeron (of Barrington) as an Honorary Citizen of this town in recognition of her authorship of the book Madbury-Pictures in Time: an alphabet book for all ages She has thereby assured that the uniqueness of our town is documented from border to border.”

Eric Fiegenbaum seconded the motion. Mrs. Morong showed the book and all admired it.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote.

PASSED (unanimously)

Chris Levesque, of Miles Lane, asked for an update on the cleanup of the Elliott Rose greenhouses. He stated his appreciation for the hard work put in by the Board of Selectmen and is grateful for that but feels the town must do more to address this issue. He expressed his continuing concerns that there may be problems with the site that affect groundwater and that he has seen no progress with site cleanup in the past year.

Selectman Sterndale responded that the Selectmen have visited the site during the past year and continue to monitor the situation. The Selectmen are not aware of any groundwater threats.

Mr. Levesque moved that the town get something in writing that is enforceable showing a plan of action. Giana Gelsey of Hayes Rd. seconded.

Moderator Green explained that the motion is not on the Warrant and, therefore, is out of order and will not be considered.

Following a question from Mike Beagen concerning water safety, Selectman Sterndale stated that an environmental study was done when the property was foreclosed some years ago and the Board of Selectmen is not aware of any hazard to groundwater.

Selectman Sterndale shared some good news the Town received. Longtime resident Carl Wentworth left a bequest creating the Wentworth Trust Fund for the benefit of the town. It will be managed by a company in Concord. The fund will provide approximately \$35,000.00 per year to the town which may be used for charitable, educational and recreational purposes, acquisition or replacement of maintenance, fire and safety equipment, and for Madbury students' education beyond high school. The Town is very grateful for the generosity of the Wentworth family.

Clerk Cornwell stated that a few more volunteers would be appreciated to help count ballots. She expressed her appreciation to the many volunteers who keep Madbury running, pointing out that most of those who receive pay for their jobs spend much more time and we couldn't continue without the hard

work of so many people. She echoed the Commission and Board members who have pointed out the need for more people to step up to help.

Rick Erickson shared information about Ready Rides, a program that provides rides to residents unable to drive themselves to medical appointments. Volunteer drivers are needed, and also riders. Mr. Erickson believes there are many more people in town that could use this service who are unaware of its availability. Please spread the word to your neighbors!

Moderator Green thanked the Election Officials who gave their time to keep the day running smoothly.

Nancy Pape reminded everyone that Madbury Day will be one week earlier this year: Saturday, June 4, 2016.

Moderator Green adjourned the meeting at 9:12PM.

Residents shared a social time with refreshments while the ballots were counted.

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

Formally accepted by the Board of Selectmen on April 15, 2016.

Bruce E Hodsdon
Joseph B Moriarty
Robert E Sterndale



AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE for 2015

We have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, Selectmen and Treasurer, including Cemetery Trust Funds and Conservation Funds, according to the instruction of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Susan Cilia
Linda Stewart

TOWN CLERK

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$351,254.91	
Title Fees	800.00	
Town Clerk/Municipal Agent Fees	<u>11,956.00</u>	
		\$364,010.91
Dog Licenses Issued (454)		
Town Fees	\$2,777.00	
State Fees	989.00	
28 Late Fees	\$96.00	
23 Civil Forfeiture Fees	<u>575.00</u>	
		\$4,437.00
Marriage Licenses Issued		
6 Town Fees	\$42.00	
6 State Fees	<u>258.00</u>	
		\$300.00
Vital Record Search/Copy Fees		
45 Town Fees	\$291.00	
45 State Fees	<u>309.00</u>	
		\$600.00
Other Office Receipts		
88 Assessment Card Copies	\$176.00	
1 Deferred Town Clerk Revenue	10.00	
82 General Copy Fees	41.00	
70 Transfer Station Permits	70.00	
36 Pistol Permit Fees	360.00	
22 Rental Town Property	1,651.00	
6 Returned Check Fees	180.00	
1 Planning and Zoning Regulations	12.00	
3 UCC Filing Fees from State	360.00	
15 Voter Checklists	<u>375.00</u>	
		<u>\$3,235.00</u>
Total		\$372,582.91

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending 12/31/2016

DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes

Beginning of Year:

Property Taxes

Land Use Change Taxes

Yield Taxes

Property Tax Credit Balance

Levy of 2016

(\$267.99)

PRIOR LEVIES

2015
\$307,027.28

2014

2013
+

Taxes Committed this Year

Property Taxes

LUCT

Yield Taxes

Excavation Tax

\$6,580,166.00

91,150.00

2,563.66

2,686.74

Overpayments:

Property Taxes

Interest & Penalties on Late Tax

3,795.61

262.00

4,621.49

17,899.11

TOTAL DEBITS \$6,684,715.51 \$325,188.39

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer:

Property Taxes

LUCT

Timber Yield Taxes

Interest (Include Lien Conv)

Penalties

Excavation Tax

Converted To Liens (Prin. only)

\$6,352,110.02

76,130.00

2,563.66

4,501.49

16,744.36

120.00

1,154.75

2,686.74

151,570.33

Abatements Made:

Property Taxes

648.00

2,794.00

Uncollected Taxes End of Year

Property Taxes

LUCT

Property Tax Credit Balance

231,902.60

584.00

15,020.00

(967.00)

TOTAL CREDITS \$6,684,715.51 \$325,188.39

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

DEBITS

Unredeemed & Executed Liens	Last Year's Levy	2015	2014	2013+
Unredeemed Liens				
Beginning of FY			\$110,115.39	\$64,644.21
Liens Executed				
During FY		\$164,141.65		
Interest & Costs Collected		<u>6,254.40</u>	<u>13,482.08</u>	<u>20,927.00</u>
 TOTAL DEBITS		 \$170,396.05	 \$123,597.47	 \$85,571.21

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer

Redemptions		\$79,083.32	\$52,366.07	\$64,644.21
Interest & Costs Collected		<u>6,254.40</u>	<u>13,482.08</u>	20,927.00
Unredeemed Liens				
End of FY		<u>85,058.33</u>	<u>57,749.32</u>	_____

TOTAL LIEN CREDITS

\$170,396.05	\$123,597.47	\$85,571.21
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Summary of Elderly Liens

Beg. of FY		\$421.49	\$579.81	\$36,525.62
Executed During FY	\$20,578.25			
Interests and Cost Collected	36.65			
Total Elderly Lien Debits:	\$20,614.90	\$421.90	\$579.81	\$36,525.62
 Elderly Redemptions	 \$163.35			
Interests and Cost Collected	36.65			
Unredeemed Elderly Liens				
End of FY	\$20,414.90	\$421.49	\$579.81	\$36,525.62
Total Elderly Lien Credits:	\$20,614.90	\$421.49	\$579.81	\$36,525.62

2016 INVENTORY

Land, Improved & Unimproved		\$84,572,390.00
Buildings: Residential	\$125,642,000.00	
Commercial	<u>\$5,740,600.00</u>	
		\$131,382,600.00
Public Utilities, Electric & Gas		\$15,519,400.00
Manufactured Housing		<u>\$3,020,200.00</u>
Total Valuation before Exemptions		\$234,494,590.00
Exemptions		
Blind Exemptions	\$0.00	
Elderly Exemptions	(\$1,580,190.00)	
VA Assistance Exemptions	<u>(\$342,200.00)</u>	
Total Exemptions Allowed		<u>(\$1,922,390.00)</u>
Net Value on which tax rate computed		\$232,572,200.00
Total Property Tax Assessed		\$6,612,924.00
Veterans Tax Credit		<u>(\$32,250.00)</u>
Total Property Tax Committed		\$6,580,674.00
Property Taxes	\$6,580,166.00	
Timber Tax	\$2,563.66	
Excavation Yield Tax	\$2,686.74	
Land Use Change Tax	<u>\$91,150.00</u>	
Total Taxes Committed to Collector		\$6,676,566.40



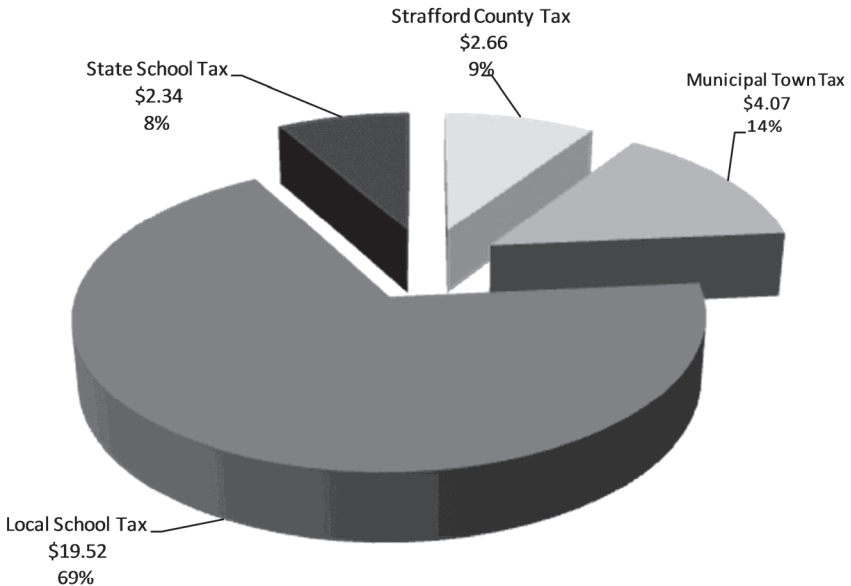
WHERE IT GOES

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Local School Appropriations	\$4,250,398	\$4,540,877
State Education Tax	498,983	507,800
County Assessment Tax	633,901	619,087
Municipal Tax	915,318	945,160

Breakdown of Current Tax Rate

Local School (ORCSD) Tax	\$18.52	67%	\$19.52	69%
State School Tax	2.33	8%	2.34	8%
Strafford County Tax	2.76	10%	2.66	9%
Municipal Town of Madbury Tax	3.99	15%	4.07	14%
TOTAL	<u>27.60</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$28.59</u>	<u>100%</u>

from NH DRA Tax Rate Calculation sheet



2016 Madbury Property Tax Rate of \$28.59

**TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2016**

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF JANUARY 1, 2016

TOWN OF MADBURY:

TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$2,162,880.89	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	501,173.27	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>32,178.38</u>	\$2,696,307.54

LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:

TD Banknorth - Checking	1,351.15	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	<u>2,167.93</u>	3,519.08

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

TD Bank - Checking	39,293.09	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>-</u>	<u>39,293.09</u>

TOTAL CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2016

\$2,739,119.71

DEPOSIT MONIES RECEIVED:

Tax Collector	\$7,017,611.99	
Town Clerk / Administrative	602,142.72	
Board of Selectmen	-	
Trustees of Trust Funds	123,253.61	
Conservation Commission	58.16	
Library Dedicated Funds	367.70	
Interest on Investments	<u>3,141.52</u>	7,746,575.70

LESS ORDERS PAID PER:

Board of Selectmen	\$(7,294,943.88)	
Conservation Commission	(2,100.00)	
Library Dedicated Funds	<u>(-)</u>	<u>\$(7,297,043.88)</u>

CASH AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

\$3,188,651.53

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

TOWN OF MADBURY:

TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	2,789,991.20	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	325,101.03	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>32,346.27</u>	\$3,147,513.50

LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:

TD Banknorth - Checking	1,567.44	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	<u>2,319.34</u>	3,886.78

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

TD Banknorth - Checking	37,251.25	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>-</u>	<u>37,251.25</u>

TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2016

\$3,188,651.53

CONSERVATION FUNDS
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2016

AVAILABLE FUNDS JANUARY 1, 2016		\$39,293.09
Added Revenue from the Town		
Unexpended Portion of Budget (Article 19)	\$902.14	
One Half Land Use Change Tax Received 2016	<u>38,065.00</u>	
Total Revenue from the Town		38,967.14
Added Revenue from Other Sources		
Interest from Savings and Investments	<u>58.16</u>	
Total Revenue from Other Sources		<u>58.16</u>
Total Funds Available		78,318.39
Less Expenditures:		
Contrib. to appraisal on Hick Mill acreage	<u>2,100.00</u>	
Close NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		
Total Expenditures		<u>2,100.00</u>
AVAILABLE FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2016		<u><u>\$76,218.39</u></u>
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2016		
TD Bank - Checking Account	\$37,251.25	
Deposit in transit at year end credit Jan' 17	38,967.14	
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>-</u>	
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2016		<u><u>\$76,218.39</u></u>

2016 FINANCIAL REPORT
BALANCE SHEET
Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2016

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Lib. Ded. Fund</i>	<i>Grant Fund</i>	<i>Capital Proj</i>	<i>Trustees of Trust Funds</i>	<i>Total Gov't Funds</i>
Assets						
Cash & cash equiv.	\$2,790,066.20	\$1,567.44	-	-	-	\$2,791,633.64
Investments	357,447.30	2,319.34	-	-	1,052,548.99	1,412,315.63
Investments held for Conservation	76,218.39	-	-	-	-	76,218.39
Taxes Receivables	222,726.60	-	-	-	-	222,726.60
Liens Receivables	208,851.65	-	-	-	-	208,851.65
Accounts Recvbl	3,087.50	-	-	-	-	3,087.50
Interfund Recvbl	-	-	20,984.80	-	-	20,984.80
Prepaid Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	<u>\$3,658,397.64</u>	<u>\$3,886.78</u>	<u>\$20,984.80</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$1,052,548.99</u>	<u>\$4,735,818.21</u>
Liabilities						
Accounts Paybl	\$90,311.68	-	-	-	-	\$90,311.68
Tax Credits Paybl	967.00	-	-	-	-	967.00
Due to State	544.00	-	-	-	-	544.00
Due School District	2,155,431.00	-	-	-	-	2,155,431.00
Interfund Payables	20,984.80	-	-	-	-	20,984.80
Deferred Revenue Conservation	42.00	-	-	-	-	42.00
Deposit Payable	76,218.39	-	-	-	-	76,218.39
Total Liabilities	<u>\$2,344,498.87</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$2,344,498.87</u>
Fund Balance						
Unassigned Fund .	\$1,313,475.81	-	-	-	-	\$1,313,475.81
Restricted Fund .	-	\$1,567.44	\$20,984.80	-	33,569.00	56,121.24
Committed Fund.	-	2,319.34	-	-	1,018,979.99	1,021,299.33
Assigned Fund .	422.96	-	-	-	-	422.96
Total Fund Bal.	<u>\$1,313,898.77</u>	<u>\$3,886.78</u>	<u>\$20,984.80</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$1,052,548.99</u>	<u>\$2,391,319.34</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	<u>\$3,658,397.64</u>	<u>\$3,886.78</u>	<u>\$20,984.80</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$1,052,548.99</u>	<u>\$4,735,818.21</u>

\$1,094,286.65 **General Fund Balance - December 31, 2015**

\$1,313,898.77 **General Fund Balance - December 31, 2016**

\$219,612.12 **Net Change In General Fund Balance**

2016 FINANCIAL REPORT
Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2016

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Lib. Ded. Fund</i>	<i>Grant Fund</i>	<i>Capital Proj.</i>	<i>Trustees of Trust Funds</i>	<i>Total Gov't Funds</i>
Revenues						
Taxes & Interest	\$6,695,090.91	-	-	-	-	\$6,695,090.91
Motor Vehicle	366,612.91	-	-	-	-	366,612.91
State Shared Rev.	147,610.94	-	-	-	-	147,610.94
Vitals, Licenses & Permits	17,644.00	-	-	-	-	17,644.00
Charges for Services	26,894.50	211.29	-	-	-	27,105.79
Sale/Rent Town Prop.	1,451.00	-	-	-	2,650.00	4,101.00
Reimb. & Donations	38,232.14	155.00	150.00	24,100.00	-	62,637.14
Intragovernmental	-	-	-	115,403.61	265,000.00	380,403.61
Interest on Invests	3,141.52	1.41	-	-	4,005.82	7,148.75
Grant Funds	-	-	9,219.50	-	-	9,219.50
Capital Project Fund	-	-	-	24,263.36	-	24,263.36
Total Revenues	\$7,296,677.92	\$367.70	\$9,369.50	\$163,766.97	\$271,655.82	\$7,741,837.91
Expenditures						
General Government	\$215,614.02	-	\$1,859.14	-	-	\$217,473.16
Boards & Comms.	13,367.83	-	-	2,100.00	-	15,467.83
Public Safety	312,747.92	-	-	57,432.00	-	370,179.92
Facilities, Streets & Sanitation	475,603.50	-	2,936.00	69,113.30	-	547,652.80
Health & Welfare	28,350.40	-	-	-	-	28,350.40
Culture and Rec.	98,368.13	-	825.50	35,121.67	-	134,315.30
Trf. to Cap. Reserves	265,250.00	-	-	-	-	265,250.00
Trf. to Capital Proj.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Conservation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
County Allocation	619,087.00	-	-	-	-	619,087.00
School Allocations	5,048,677.00	-	-	-	-	5,048,677.00
Grant Funded Proj.	-	-	8,544.57	-	-	8,544.57
Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	123,253.61	123,253.61
Total Expenditures	\$7,077,065.80	-	\$14,165.21	\$163,766.97	\$123,253.61	\$7,378,251.59
Net Change in Fund Balances						
	\$219,612.12	\$367.70	\$(4,795.71)	-	\$148,402.21	\$363,586.32
Fund Bals., begin.	\$1,094,286.65	\$3,519.08	\$25,780.51	-	\$904,146.78	\$2,027,733.02
Fund Bals., end.	\$1,313,898.77	\$3,886.78	\$20,984.80	-	\$1,052,548.99	\$2,391,319.34

2017 PROPOSED BUDGET - Appropriations

Dept #	Description	2016 Adopted/ Adjusted Budget	2016 Actual Unaudited Exp as of 12/31/16	2017 Proposed Budget
4130	Executive	54,900	54,687.55	60,680
4140	Election and Registration	4,520	2,586.72	1,400
4150	Financial Administration	80,007	74,448.87	83,933
4152	Assessing / Valuation	10,110	9,206.55	10,120
4153	Legal	30,000	18,088.07	30,000
4155	Personnel Administration	40,200	32,801.00	41,300
4191	Planning Board	13,195	8,023.23	13,455
4192	ZBA	1,000	344.60	1,000
4194	General Government Buildings	98,610	78,129.59	100,000
4195	Cemeteries	6,400	4,624.21	6,400
4196	Insurance	41,000	23,256.13	37,800
4210	Police Department	220,161	199,443.15	231,839
4215	Ambulance	3,750	3,201.75	3,098
4220	Fire Department	66,425	65,867.06	67,725
4225	Forest Fire	500	289.62	500
4240	Building Inspection	14,025	12,105.22	14,025
4242	Inspections Department	3,500	2,160.00	3,500
4290	Emergency Management	1,000	480.12	1,000
4299	Special Details	45,000	14,876.00	45,000
4312	Highway & Streets	350,000	323,828.52	355,000
4313	Bridges	-	-	5,000
4316	Street Lighting	1,500	1,295.56	1,500
4323	Hazardous Waste Collection	1,100	904.20	1,300
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	85,050	55,016.96	81,800
4329	Recycling	15,000	11,804.46	15,000
4338	Water	5,000	-	5,000
4411	Health	200	-	200
4414	Animal / Pest Control	18,000	16,000.00	18,000
4415	Health & Welfare Agencies	2,500	2,500.00	3,000
4442	Direct Assistance	15,000	8,850.40	15,000
4445	Other Assistance	1,000	1,000.00	1,000
4520	Parks & Recreation	9,800	8,635.35	9,800
4550	Library	58,734	56,562.28	59,859
4583	Patriotic Purposes	100	-	500
4589	Oyster River Youth Association	23,690	23,690.00	24,250
4619	Conservation Commission	1,500	1,500.00	1,500
4710	Debt Service	-	-	-
4808	Wentworth Family Trust	-	26,000.00	25,000
4810	Use of Donations	-	1,844.63	1,800
4913	Transfers to Capital Prj. Fund	-	-	-
TOTAL OPERATIONAL		\$1,322,477	\$1,144,051.80	\$1,377,284

Dept #	Description	2016 Adopted/ Adjusted Budget	2016 Actual Unaudited Exp as of 12/31/16	2017 Proposed Budget
Special / Individual Warrant Articles *				
4915	Transfers to Capital Reserves	\$265,000	\$265,000	\$429,000
4916	Transfers to Expendable Trust	250	250	-
GRAND TOTAL		<u>\$1,587,727</u>	<u>\$1,409,301.80</u>	<u>\$1,806,284</u>

*The breakdown below provides specifics on this section of the budget.

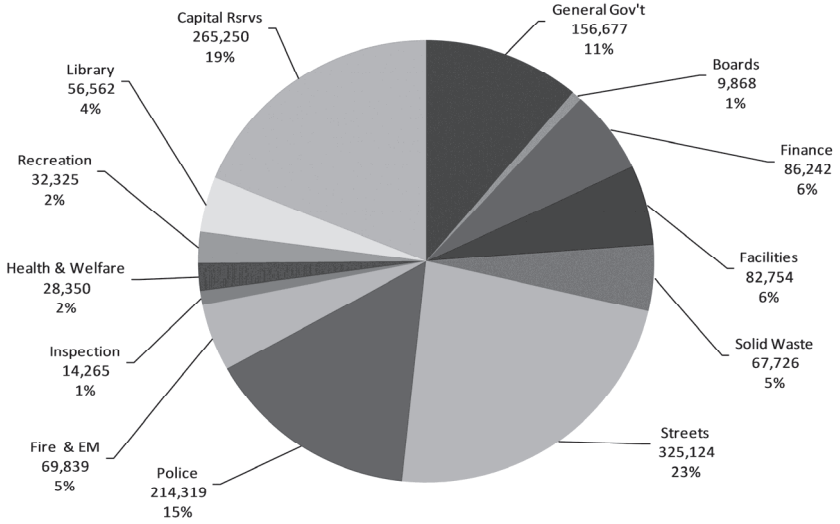
<u>Special Warrant Articles:</u>		<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Capital Reserve - Fire Equipment	2017 Article 5	\$49,000	53,000
Capital Reserve - Purchase Property/Easement	2017 Article 6	50,000	50,000
Capital Reserve - Property Revaluation	2017 Article 7	11,000	11,000
Capital Reserve - Iafolla Reclamation	2017 Article 8	5,000	5,000
Capital Reserve - Recreational Facilities	2017 Article 9	10,000	10,000
Capital Reserve - Police Equipment	2017 Article 10	20,000	20,000
Capital Reserve - Grounds Maint. Equip	2017 Article 11	5,000	10,000
Capital Reserve - Government Build. Repairs.	2017 Article 12	10,000	15,000
Capital Reserve - Bridge Repairs & Maint	2017 Article 13	15,000	15,000
Capital Reserve - Hayes Rd Repair & Repave.	2017 Article 14	30,000	50,000
Capital Reserve - Library Building	2017 Article 15	60,000	60,000
Capital Reserve - Library Building	2017 Article 16		130,000
Expendable Trust - Madbury Memorial Park		250	
		<u>\$265,250</u>	<u>\$429,000</u>



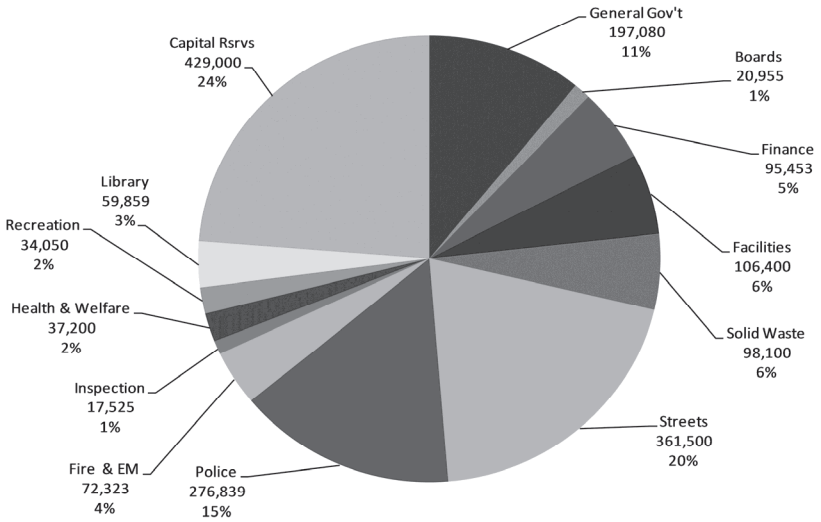
2017 PROPOSED BUDGET - Estimated Revenues

Acct. #	Description	2016	2016	2016 Actual	2017
		Town Meeting	DRA MS-434 Adjusted	Unaudited as of 12/31/2016	Proposed
3120	Land Use Change Tax Rev.	\$7,500	36,925	53,085.00	5,000
3185	Timber Yield Tax Revenue	1,000	2,563	2,563.66	-
3187	Excavation Yield Tax Rev.	2,000	2,687	2,686.74	-
3190-020	Int. & Penal. on Prop. Tax	19,000	21,000	22,538.33	20,000
3190-021	Int. & Penal. - Tax Liens	24,000	27,000	40,663.48	25,000
3190-024	Int. & Penal. - Elderly Liens	-	-	36.65	-
3190-025	Int. & Penal. - Gnrl Asst. Lien	-	-	75.27	-
3210-028	Planning Board Revenues	1,000	900	1,525.00	1,000
3210-029	Zoning Board Revenues	100	-	-	100
3220	Motor Vehicle Permits	312,650	330,000	366,612.91	312,650
3230	Building Permit Fees	7,000	7,200	9,897.00	7,000
3290	Vital Rec., Lics. Permits, Fees	2,550	2,980	3,122.00	2,550
3290-055	Transfer Station Permits	40	60	70.00	40
3290-056	UCC Filings	200	360	360.00	200
3291	Pistol Permits	100	300	360.00	100
3292	Excavation Permit Fees	100	150	150.00	100
3293	Inspection Fees	500	1,650	2,160.00	500
3352	NH Rooms & Meals	70,000	92,612	92,611.70	85,000
3353	NH Highway Block Grant	40,000	53,839	53,839.80	50,000
3359	NH Railroad Tax	-	886	886.77	-
3401-71	Town Office Fees	500	650	702	500
3401-73	Police Department Revenue	750	950	1,110.00	750
3401-81	Cemetery Revenue	-	150	300.00	-
3410	Special Detail Revenue	45,000	20,000	24,602.50	45,000
3502	Interest on Investments	2,200	2,500	3,141.52	2,500
3503	Rental of Town Property	1,000	800	1,451.00	1,000
3504	Returned Check Fee	60	150	180.00	60
3506	Insurance Reimbursements	-	7,890	7,891.89	-
3507-48	Wentworth Family Trust Gift	-	-	26,000.00	25,000
3508-71	Donations - Administrative	-	100	100.00	1,800
3508-73	Donations - Police	-	100	100.00	-
3508-74	Donations - Fire.	-	100	100.00	-
3508-78	Donations - Library	-	1,480	1,530.50	-
3509	Welfare Reimbursements	-	2,071	2,509.75	-
3510	NH Reimbursements	-	273	272.67	-
3911	Transfers from General Fund	100,000	23,991	-	230,000
	General Fund Revenue Tot.	637,250	642,317	723,236.14	815,850
3110	Est. Amt. of Tax to be Raised	950,477	945,410	905,677.78	990,434
	General Fund Revenue Grand Tot.	\$1,587,727	\$1,587,727	\$1,628,913.92	\$1,806,284

2016 General Fund Expenditures (Unaudited)



2017 Proposed General Fund Budget



2016 REPORT OF THE MADBURY TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Date of Creation	Fund Name	Purpose of Fund	Depo Citizen CAP	PRINCIPAL				INCOME				Grand Total
				Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	With-drawals	Balance Year End	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expd During Year	Balance Year End	
3/8/1989	Cem. Com. Trust	Perpetual Care	-09	28,500.00	2,000	-	30,500.00	7,403.57	149.29	-	7,552.86	38,052.86
1/2/1914	Literary	Education	-02	228.00	-	-	228.00	2,017.02	9.04	-	2,026.06	2,254.06
2/3/1937	Demeritt Cem.	Care of Lot	-04	100.00	-	-	100.00	731.69	3.36	-	735.05	835.05
3/1/1975	Adams/Jennison Bicenten.	Care Demeritt Prk	-05	2,541.00	-	-	2,541.00	8,755.41	45.40	-	8,800.81	11,341.81
7/2/1921	Jenkins Cem.	Care of Lot	-07	200.00	-	-	200.00	1,705.84	7.66	-	1,713.50	1,913.50
		<i>Subtotal of Trust Funds</i>		31,569.00	2,000	-	33,569.00	20,613.53	214.75	-	20,828.28	54,397.28
3/8/1994	Memorial Park Expendbl Trust	Cem. Maint.	-10	5,424.17	650	-	6,074.17	1,734.84	30.19	-	1,765.03	7,839.20
3/8/1994	Fire Equipment	Fire Equip.	-11	199,753.14	49,000	25,500.00	223,253.14	929.19	886.44	-	1,815.63	225,068.77
3/14/2000	Property Reval.	Periodic Reval	-12	1,951.33	11,000	-	12,951.33	118.10	26.61	-	144.71	13,096.04
3/14/2000	Buy Prop/Ease.	Buy Prop/Ease.	-13	171,441.00	50,000	-	221,441.00	31,544.06	899.11	-	32,443.17	253,884.17
3/12/2002	Library Bldg.	Library	-14	294,370.00	60,000	42,971.67	311,398.33	6,551.87	1,272.86	-	7,824.73	319,223.06
3/9/2010	Police Equip.	Police Equip.	-16	10,908.20	20,000	-	30,908.20	73.45	77.43	-	150.88	31,059.08
3/9/2010	Rec. Facility	Plan & Develop	-17	23,000.00	10,000	33,000.00	0.00	162.87	78.21	201.94	39.14	39.14
3/9/2010	Iafolla Reclam.	Land Reclam.	-18	51,000.00	5,000	5,080.00	50,920.00	203.61	209.31	-	412.92	51,332.92
3/13/2012	Grounds Maint.	Equipment	-19	0.00	5,000	-	5,000.00	39.20	8.47	-	47.67	5,047.67
3/13/2012	Gov't. Bldgs	Major Bldg Repairs	-21	12,628.00	10,000	16,500.00	6,128.00	54.59	66.49	-	121.08	6,249.08
3/12/2013	Bridge Repair	Repair/Replace	-22	40,000.00	15,000	-	55,000.00	76.63	186.04	-	262.67	55,262.67
3/8/2016	Hayes Rd Repair & Repave	Repair/Repave		0.00	30,000	-	30,000.00	0.00	49.91	-	49.91	30,049.91
		<i>Subtotal of Capital Reserves & General Fund Expendable Trust Funds</i>		810,475.84	265,650	123,051.67	953,074.17	41,488.41	3,791.07	201.94	45,077.54	998,151.71
				842,044.84	267,650	123,051.67	986,643.17	62,101.94	4,005.82	201.94	65,905.82	1,052,548.99

Madbury Trustees of Trust Funds: Diane Hodgson, Robyn Gault, Judy Engalichev

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2017

To the inhabitants of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford,
and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Madbury on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the morning for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2, and at 7:00 o'clock in the evening for action on Articles 3 through 23.

The polls, which open at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2 will close at 7:30 p.m. unless extended by vote of the meeting.

Article 1: To choose the following Town Officers: (Majority vote required)

- A Selectman for the ensuing three years
- A Treasurer for the ensuing year
- An Auditor for the ensuing two years
- A Trustee of the Trust Funds for the ensuing three years
- A Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years
- A Library Trustee for the ensuing three years

Article 2: To vote to amend Town Zoning Ordinances

Amendment 1: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to revise the language for "accessory apartments" in Article V Section 4 to be consistent with NH RSA 674:71-73? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

Amendment 2: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to introduce language for "agritourism" in Articles III and V and to establish the requirement for a Conditional Use Permit consistent with NH RSA 21:34-a? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

Amendment 3: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to eliminate embedded references to fees? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

Amendment 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to clarify the requirements for Site Plan Review? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

Amendment 5: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to remove redundant statements? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

Article 3: To choose all other Town Officers. (Majority vote required)

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Three Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-four Dollars (\$1,377,284) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-three Thousand Dollars (\$53,000) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2000 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property and/or easements. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to add to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for purchasing grounds maintenance equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Hayes Road Repair and Repave Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 15 at the 2016 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. This sum to come from December 31, 2016 fund balance available for transfer. No amount to be raised from taxation. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2017 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund account held by the municipal treasurer (RSA 41:29). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 18: To hear the reports of any Committees, Town Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto.

Article 19: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal the 17th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Bruce E. Hodsdon

Joseph B. Moriarty
Board of Selectmen

Robert E. Sterndale

Strafford County, SS Town of Madbury and the State of New Hampshire personally appeared before me, the above mentioned Selectmen, and took oath to the above statement.

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

We certify that on the 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen, we posted a copy of the warrant at the Town Hall, Library, and the Town Clerk's Office being three public places in the Town of Madbury, as required by law.

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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 2016

<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>
Town Hall, Land & Buildings	\$756,500	7-13, 7-3A & B
Furniture & Equipment	75,000	
Gangwer Purchase	65,800	7-21, 7-22
Hix Hill (Wentworth Property)	28,700	7-17A
Library: Estes Property	258,500	7-14
Furniture & Equipment	75,000	
Old Fire Dept, Land and Buildings	165,200	8-16
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	737,600	4-22, 4-23, 6-1, 8-26, 9-5A, 9-60, 9-60-L
Town Cemetery	145,900	6-4C
Hayes Rd/Cherry Ln Town Forest	14,600	5-14
Tibbetts Property	18,500	6-4
Schreiber Property	275,800	6-13C
Safety Complex, Bellamy Water Rights	1,092,900	8-27
Police Furniture, Equip., Vehicles	125,000	
Fire Furniture, Equip., Vehicles	475,000	
Bellamy Conservation Parcel A	87,800	2-16A
Bellamy Conservation Parcel B	17,800	2-16B
Hoyt Pond Conservation Area	27,800	9-68K
Tasker Lane Conservation Area	29,900	8-30
G & R Associates/Old Stage Rd	314,600	3-16
	124,600	3-16A
Solid Waste Landfill, Land	633,100	8-4
All Land and Buildings acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds	<u>405,400</u>	1-31, 1-31A, 31B, 1-40 1-41, 1-44, 3-54, 3-32,
TOTAL:	<u>\$5,826,400</u>	

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

It seems like 2016 was a fairly routine year. We plowed and maintained roads, paid bills, mowed grass, put out the occasional “fire” (figuratively speaking, the Fire Department does the real thing). Some events worthy of mention:

The Town has continued to support the Forest Society’s **Powder Major** project. Transactions authorized at last year’s Town Meeting have not occurred at this writing but we anticipate deed transfers before Town Meeting.

The Selectmen have closely followed the Library’s work to develop a proposal for a **new library**. We realized early on that a realistic dollar figure for public support to the project was essential for the development of this proposal. The Selectmen have recommended a total commitment of \$750,000 in Town money for the project. This total would include money already added to the Library Capital Reserve and amounts to be appropriated in the 2016 and 2017 fiscal years. Voters must approve these appropriations at Town Meeting. The project will require substantial additional funds from donations and grants.

Madbury had a good year for **volunteer recruitment**. Realize that our Town depends on volunteers to function. We are pleased to welcome these folks to new appointments:

Planning Board: Marcia Goodnow, Mark Avery

Zoning Board of Adjustment: Jack Myers, Gary Cilley

Conservation Commission: Beth Cilley

Assistant Moderators: Wally Dunham (already a long time Planning Board member), Don Goodnow

Strafford Regional Planning rep: Mark Avery

Recreation Commission: Nancy Hoff

Where can we add your name?

Police and Fire Department staffing are concerns. These small town (read: small budget) departments are staffed largely by new recruits (police) and volunteer trainees (fire) with a few retirees from these fields who work part time or volunteer. We are fortunate to have Chiefs who can and do make this work. Both departments serve as career entry points for people interested in these fields.

Taxes: Tax related issues consume a fair amount of the Selectmen’s time (as they should) each year:

At last year’s Town Meeting we adjusted the qualification thresholds for **elderly tax exemptions**. Three households qualified under the new values. This seems a constructive result as some folks will be able to stay in their homes longer while tax impact to the Town generally is minimal.

Also to allow people to stay in their homes, state law allows us to accept **tax deferral liens** in lieu of taxes in certain circumstances. Such liens insure that the Town will eventually receive its payment, sharing the tax burden fairly. We processed two such liens this year.

When landowners convert the use of land taxed on its **current use** (e.g. forest and agricultural uses) to residential lots, the Town collects a land use change tax equal to 10% of the land’s “best use” assessed value. The Town taxed several such conversions this year. Half of this money goes into the Con-

servation Commissions fund for land and easement purchases, half goes to the general fund.

Requests for the first annual **Wentworth Trust** gift distribution were approved by the Trustees of the Wentworth gift. Gift fund allocations included three scholarships, fire department air pack purchases, a contribution to the Powder Major project, a large format printer/scanner for Town Hall, fitness equipment for Tibbetts trail, and Historical Society supplies. The selectmen accept proposals for use of this money in the fall. Do you have a worthy idea?

Among the many **road maintenance** tasks this year were:

Major drainage work on Pudding Hill

Ditch and culvert maintenance throughout town

A major tree haircut on Hayes Road

Paving of the Piscataqua Bridge Road (near Madbury beach)

Extensive shimming on Hayes, Mill Hill and Champernowne (yes, it doesn't look great but it does extend the life of the pavement significantly)

AND the NHDOT paved Town Hall Road (finally)!

A federal National Wildlife Refuge **Great Thicket** proposal would create rabbit habitat in or near Madbury. Apparently, we could address a rabbit housing shortage by creating shrub lands or cutting down forest and leaving the trees lying on the ground. This is, so far, just a concept. If a more specific proposal develops, we will need to decide if this is something the Town will support.

AND

- Eagle Scout Michael Donovan and his crew completed construction of a sturdy new bridge on the trail between the school and Tibbetts Field. Thanks Michael!
- The Recreation Committee completed installation of fitness equipment along the Tibbetts Field fitness trail. Will this help you with any New Year's resolutions?
- The Demerritt field irrigation system received a lovely (and costly) new pump and storage tank (which is cleverly hidden in the library) following failures there. This high output well also serves the library -and probably a new library when built.
- The Town's liability and worker's compensation **insurer** went out of business. We contracted with a new insurer (actually a risk pool).
- We repealed an outdated **fireworks** ordinance. The old ordinance referenced long-since repealed state laws. Now, absent any supplemental local ordinance, the State's fireworks laws apply (RSA 160-C for the curious).

The political rhetoric of 2016 has again provided striking contrast to the low-key civility of public affairs in Madbury. We may be a small town but this civility is no small thing. Let's keep it.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. Sterndale, Chair

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Another year has come and gone, the members of the Madbury Police Department continue to be committed to serving your community.

2016 was a busy year, we have had Officers leave the department to either further their career with other departments or leave the field altogether. These are troubling times in Law Enforcement, however we continue to receive support from the community for which I am very grateful.

In 2016, we hired four new officers, Tyler Malsbury, Nick Williams and Jake Boucher. All three will be attending the Part-Time Police Academy in 2017. We also picked up Officer Callum Cochran who is a certified part-time police officer with the Hampton Police Department as well as a certified paramedic.

The Madbury Police Department continues a high level of training throughout the year, including Advanced CPR, AED and NARCAN Certification. Officers have attended many courses throughout the state including training with NH State Police, University of New Hampshire Police Department, Madbury Fire Department and Strafford County Attorney's Office and the New Hampshire Attorney General, as well as attending training at The New Hampshire Police Standards and Training. We will continue to train this year to make Madbury PD the best we can be in 2017.

I would like to say goodbye to Marjorie Rawson who retired this year after 16 years with the Madbury Police Department. Marge retired from the Durham Police Department after serving Durham for 27 years. Chief Taylor hired Marge in 2000 for a few hours a week. The hours were increased to 32 hours a week assisting the Madbury Fire and Police Departments. I have worked with Marge for 38 years, she will be missed and we all wish her a great retirement. We now welcome our new Administrative Assistant, Elizabeth Tretter to the town of Madbury and we wish her the best.

In closing, I want to thank the Madbury Board of Selectmen for their continued support for the department. Members of the Madbury Fire Department, McGregor Ambulance, The University of New Hampshire Police Department/Dispatch Center, the New Hampshire State Police along with Lt. Christopher Vetter and all the members of Troop A. To all of them I extend my heartfelt thanks for their continued service to this department and to our entire community. Finally, I would like to thank you, the Madbury Community for your continued support of the Madbury Police Department

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph E. McGann, Jr., Chief of Police

Madbury Police Department Activities, 2016

Aid to Citizens	202
Aid to other agencies	91
Aid to Officers	18
Development Checks	1,400
Building Checks	10,847
House Checks	1,266
Escorts	4
Radar Checks	296
Parking Tickets	26
MV warnings Issued	412
Criminal Warnings	2
MV Summonses	66
MV Arrests	4
Criminal Arrests	5
Complaints	132
Accidents	44
<u>Criminal Investigations</u>	<u>21</u>
Total	14,770



Chief McGann with Marjorie Rawson, who retired after 16 years of service as the Administrative Assistant to the Madbury Police Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank the citizens of Madbury for their continued support over the past year. This year we recognized Ted Keith and Brian Raynes for 20 years of service, Bill Brouse and Dave Peterson for 15 years of service. Ashley Constantino was recognized as our Firefighter of the Year.

This years drought conditions caused great concern for the potential of outside wildfire, conditions that we haven't seen since the 40's, when similar conditions led to many major fires across New England, and was the drive to establish the Madbury Fire Department in 1947. We appreciate the understanding and cooperation of residents as we were not issuing Fire Permits during this period. As a reminder, Fire Permits are required for ALL outside fires except when the ground is completely snow covered. Fire Permits may be obtained by contacting the Fire Department at (603) 742-1164, including Seasonal Fire Permits for fire pits, outdoor fireplaces, and chimeas. In addition, fire permits may now be obtained online through the NH Forest and Lands Website <https://nhdfweb.sovsportsnet.net/>. There is no cost for permits issued by any of the towns Deputy Forest Fire Wardens, but there is a \$3 service charge to utilize the States online service.

We are always in need of volunteers, especially town residents. If you have an interest in Emergency Service or helping your neighbors, please come and talk to us. If you have members of your household that are between the ages of 14 and 21 that are interested in Emergency Services or a possible career in the Fire Service, EMS or Law Enforcement, the Madbury Fire Department and Police Department jointly sponsor Public Safety Explorer Post 401, contact the Madbury Fire Department (742-1164) or the Madbury Police Department (742-5566) for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Perley, Fire Chief

2016 Madbury Fire Department Calls for Service

Building Fire	14
Chimney Fire	1
Vehicle Fire	1
Outside Fire	9
Medical Aid	74
Vehicle Accident w/injury	32
Search, lost person	1
Service Call	12
Good Intent	4
Cancelled enroute	3
Mutual Aid Station Coverage	15
<u>Fire/Smoke Alarm</u>	<u>16</u>
Total Calls for Service	182

PLANNING BOARD

In 2016 the state legislature expanded Section II (b)(5) of RSA 21:34-a to include the term “agritourism” as attracting visitors to a farm to attend events and activities that are accessory uses to the primary farm operation, including, but not limited to, eating a meal, making overnight stays, enjoyment of the farm environment, education about farm operations, or active involvement in the activity of the farm.” The Madbury Planning Board (MPB) appointed a committee to research the effect on our Land Use Regulations. The committee recommended appropriate changes to the Zoning Ordinances which were revised and approved by the full board. Thanks to Beth Goss and Julie McCabe for their service to this committee.

In addition a committee was formed to update the Master Plan. These efforts are ongoing and are schedule for completion in the summer of 2017. Thanks to Marcia Goodnow and Mark Avery for their service to this committee.

The acquisition of the “Powder Major’s Farm and Forest” by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests was agreed to by the Goss Family in 2016. One step toward that goal was the subdivision of Map 6 Lot 6 into 2 lots which was accomplished in December.

With regret, the MPB accepted the resignation of our recording secretary, Tarah Beaupre.

Julie McCabe has resigned from the board after 4 years of loyal service.

The board has proposed some changes to the zoning ordinances which are referenced as amendments in Article 2 in this year’s warrant.

Please note that the MPB maintains a website detailing Documents, Maps, Applications and Meetings. Give us a look at www.madburynh.org.

Respectfully Submitted,
Fritz Green, Chairman.



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

During 2016 there were no ZBA deliberation meetings.

Two meetings were held to make some minor changes to internal documents. One new regular member, Jack Meyer was added, and one new alternate member, Gary Cilley, was added.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Sylvester, Chair

MADBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Introduction

In 2016 the Madbury Library, setting its sights on the future, moved forward with plans for a new library building. The New Library Steering Committee met regularly with architects from Portsmouth's Manypenny Murphy Architecture and, by the end of the year, the project's design development phase was complete. At the same time the New Library Development Committee, under the auspices of the Friends of the Library, also gathered regularly with a mission of raising the funds to keep the project affordable for Madbury taxpayers. They held forums, hosted neighborhood gatherings, wrote grants, and met with prospective donors.

Yet despite having one foot pointed toward 2017 and beyond, the other was firmly planted in the present. We were intent on making our current library the best it could be and, despite our building's limitations, we were able to host many successful programs and events as well as provide new materials for library users of all ages.

Children and Teens

Programs: We held fifteen different kinds of children's programs, including pre-school and toddler story times, MakerSpace hours, canine reading, and summertime art classes—and 1,060 of you participated. In September Children's Librarian Kayla Morin initiated an after-school program, CLIMB (Children Learning, Inventing, Making, and Building) for third and fourth graders at Moharimet. With great cooperation from the school, we worked out a plan for bussing eight students to the library each Wednesday for each six-week session. By the end of the year we had completed two sessions, both of which were fully enrolled long before their start dates. We look forward to continuing CLIMB well into the future. Kayla also resumed the library's regular visits to Little Tree Child Care Center and has collaborated with her counterparts in Lee and Durham on school vacation events. One of our most successful programs, Read to Rosa, was renamed Read with Grover, when beloved English setter Rosa retired and her son Grover took over. Because of the popularity of the canine read program, we asked Liz Marcotte and her dog Digby to also visit of us once a month. Marsha Barden and Grover visit us on the first Monday of the month and Liz and Digby come the third Monday.

Summer Reading: 2016 was a record-setting year for Summer Reading registrations. We had 86 children and teens and 71 adults sign up for the sports-themed "On Your Mark, Get Set...Read!" program. We once again held several joint programs with our fellow ORSD libraries. Lindsay and Her Puppet Pals performed at our kick-off party, held at the Lee Safety Complex, which was attended by 60 young readers. Wildlife Encounters, held again in July at the Madbury Town Hall, attracted 225, the program's biggest turnout yet. We closed the summer program with magician Bob Riordan's World of Wonder. In between the kick-off and close we held special Monday story hours, a day of Library Mini Golf, a morning of Kinetic Art, plus we gave away many

prizes to both children and adults. We look forward to another busy summer in 2017, when the theme is “Build a Better World.” Get your toolbox ready!

Adults

The library sponsored 24 different gatherings for adults this year, attended by more than 1,300 of you. There are two monthly book groups, a writing group, a weekly quilting group, plus book signings, and special evenings held at Town Hall. We received two Humanities-to-Go grants from the New Hampshire Humanities Council. The first, held on September 30, was a presentation by Russian artist and scholar Marina Forbes, who spoke about the history of nested dolls, or matryoshka, in Russia. On Saturday, October 1, Marina returned for a three-hour workshop, funded by the Friends of the Library, where participants decorated wooden nested dolls. The second grant was for an evening with New Hampshire storyteller and author Rebecca Rule, “That Reminds Me of a Story.” This took place at Town Hall on November 17, and the presentation coincided with the monthly meeting of the Madbury Community Club, who provided refreshments. Fifty men and women attended the talk and enjoyed a pie potluck following the performance.

Library Services & Statistics

Collection. The library collection consists of 15,100 books, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2016 our total circulation (items checked out) was just under 8,000. There were 5,950 visits to our library building.

Downloadable Ebooks and Audiobooks. Through the library’s annual subscription to the New Hampshire Download Library, we have access to more than 9,000 ebooks and 7000 audiobooks. In 2016 our patrons downloaded 2,408 titles, including 1,300 audio books and 1,108 ebooks. This was a 12% increase over 2015, a year that had seen a 36% increase over 2014.

Interlibrary loans. We received 744 requests to borrow items from other libraries and were able to fill 585 of these. We loaned 724 items to libraries across the state.

Databases. Madbury patrons continue to be enthusiastic users of the 23 NH State Library databases, many of which they are able to access from their own devices. There were 176 searches submitted to EBSCO, a magazine and newspaper database. Two genealogy databases are also available: AncestryLibrary Edition.com and HeritageQuestOnline. In 2016, there were 6134 searches in HeritageQuest and 352 in Ancestry.

Volunteers

We could not have accomplished our mission without the help of volunteers. Many thanks to those who assisted with interlibrary loan requests, sorted and sold used books, cleaned and maintained the buildings and grounds, planted flowers and bulbs, kept computer hardware and software running smoothly, updated the website calendar, and so much more. At the end of 2016, we were saddened by the death of long-time volunteer Janet Dunham. Janet’s special gift to us was meticulously keeping for many years the photo scrapbooks that illustrate the history of the library. She is greatly missed.

Thank especially go to Marcia Barden, Nancy Bergeron, Eric Fiegenbaum, Noreen Gaetjens, Girl Scout Troop 22916, Don Melvin, Martha Mercer, Lorraine Morong, Suzie Noronha, Dorie Sterndale, Priscilla Polichronopolus, Joan Valentine, Peggy Wolcott, and Ken Wolcott.

Friends of the Madbury Library

We are so fortunate to have such good Friends! This active, supportive group met monthly to plan fundraisers and other activities, and their efforts made many programs possible. Among the special programs they funded include summer reading performers, school vacation events, the Humanities Council grant fees, and our museum passes. Their major fundraisers include annual appeal, the Town Meeting basket raffle, and ongoing book sales. Officers of the Friends are: Peggy Wolcott (President), Vickie Myers (Vice President), Susan Cilia (Secretary), Joan Valentine (Treasurer).

Staff & Trustees

Trustees of the Library

President: Noreen Gaetjens
Secretary: Laura Price
Treasurer: Lisa Amarosa

Alternate: Edna O’Sullivan
Alternate: Betsy Renshaw

Staff

Director: Susan Sinnott
Children’s Librarian: Kayla Morin
Assistant Librarian: Peggy Wolcott
Assistant Librarian (Saturdays): Liz Burbank
Substitute: Trish Banafato



Madbury Public Library (NH)



NEW LIBRARY BUILDING STEERING COMMITTEE

In 2016, significant progress was made in planning for our new library building. Steering Committee members (comprised of Library Trustees, Friends of Madbury Library, Library Director, Madbury Selectmen and residents with professional expertise) met regularly with architects from Manypenny Murphy Architecture to design a library that reflects the unique character and natural beauty of our town. **Preliminary plans are on display at the Library and Town Hall.**

Our new 4,500 square foot library will feature:

A café style community room; quiet areas for reading and study; a variety of seating areas indoor and outdoor) for reading, working and socializing; a larger Children’s Room with adjacent outdoor space; adequate parking and accessibility so all patrons can enjoy the library; a well sealed and insulated building envelope, high efficiency heating and cooling systems, and LED lighting; the use of natural, renewable materials where possible.

The Design Development Phase of the project is complete and the preliminary cost estimate is \$1.3M. The Building Steering Committee continues to work with the architects to refine the plan and reduce the overall cost. Funding for the new building will be a public-private partnership. Selectmen have proposed the town's contribution to be \$750,000. This includes funds already in the Capital Reserve and additional funding subject to voter approval. There will not be a bond for the project.

The Capital Campaign is underway! The anticipated completion of the new library in 2018 will be a highlight of Madbury's 250th anniversary celebration. Friends of Madbury Library a designated 501(c)3 entity and early supporters of the Capital Campaign have already raised \$120,000 in donations, pledges and monies earned through book sales, raffles and events

Tax deductible donations specifically designated to: FRIENDS OF MADBURY LIBRARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN can be mailed to FOML, 9 Town Hall Road, Madbury, NH 03823. Donations may be made in the form of cash, check, credit card, appreciated securities, paid life insurance policies or qualified retirement assets. Check with your employer to see if they will match employee contributions. Contact us for information on Pledges and Naming Opportunities. All donors will be recorded and recognized in a Book of Benefactors, unless they prefer to remain anonymous. Donors who make a gift of \$2,500 or more will be listed on a prominent display in the new library.

We hope all residents will share in the excitement and challenge of working towards the goal of a new library building. With your help, our new library will not only be a cultural gathering center for learning and enrichment, but also uniquely Madbury, reflecting our appreciation of both the natural environment and one another. It will be a place all residents can gather to learn, socialize and create; where as our logo says, "our community comes together."

CONTACT US: mplsteeringcommittee@gmail.com or call: 743-1400
Visit the library website and click on "New Library Building Project" for updated information: www.madburylibrary.org



Architect's rendering of new library building.

Manypenny Murphy Architecture

WENTWORTH FAMILY TRUST GIFT

When Carl Wentworth passed away in 2014 he left a generous Trust Fund to the town titled the Wentworth Family Trust which he and his wife Dorothy had established. Among its stipulations it provides scholarship funding for the benefit of Madbury residents with financial need intending to pursue post secondary education with input from the Town's School Board Representative and it directs the Board of Selectmen to provide a prioritized list of projects each year to the Trustee that meet the criteria "... *for the use of the Town of Madbury and or its inhabitants for charitable, educational and recreational purposes to the benefit of the Town of Madbury and its inhabitants and for the acquisition, repair and or replacement of maintenance, fire safety or other equipment necessary or desirable for the safe, efficient operation of the Town of Madbury*". The document goes on to describe how the amount will be determined by Charter Trust Company, who is designated as the Trustee, based on the market value of the assets as of December 31st of the preceding year.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed submission and provided the following list of projects to Charter Trust, who approved them for 2016 disbursement:

\$14,000, Air Packs and Bottles

This project replaces the current breathing apparatus used by the Fire Department. This project will span two years; funding will be requested in 2017 too. Additional funds from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve will be utilized.

\$8,000, Trail Equipment at Tibbetts

The Recreation Commission requested funds to complete the project of adding fitness stations to the half mile walking trail constructed at Tibbetts Field.

\$500, Large Format Scanner for Town Hall

This piece of equipment was purchased for use of Town departments, boards and affiliated groups which currently outsource or use personal equipment to complete projects beyond the scope of the equipment available at Town Hall.

\$500, Historical Society Storage Supplies

The Madbury Historical Society has a group of volunteers that have been working to properly store items that have been donated as well as cataloging and digitizing information. They purchased supplies that included acid-free folders, map/roll storage, memory sticks, book storage boxes, and file cases.

\$3,000, Powder Major Conservation Project

The Society for the Protection of NH Forests worked on multisource funding of this project to conserve a 195+ acres of land the majority of which is in Madbury. This project will assist in protecting the water resource and preserving the rural and historic character of the town while providing trails for recreation and outdoor educational purposes.

Additionally, Charter Trust approved the School Board Representative's recommendation for :

\$12,000 Scholarships

Divided into three scholarships and awarded to Madbury students graduating from high school and pursuing post secondary education.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The trustees continued to work to maintain and improve the grounds at the cemetery in 2016 with regular lawn care, clean-up and weeding, and maintenance of the irrigation system. Trustees volunteered their time as well as contracted for work to be done for various maintenance jobs at the cemetery. Unfortunately, a very cold dry winter caused shrub loss and plant damage. The damage was compounded by a very dry growing season. The decision was made not to replace damaged shrubs this year due to the drought. Trustees felt that purchasing shrubbery under these conditions would not be a prudent use of town funds.

An additional problem came to the attention of the trustees in 2016. In the years since the irrigation system was installed, many grave stones had become rust-stained from iron in the groundwater. After exploring the option of installing a water treatment system to prevent staining, the trustees determined that manual cleaning of the stones with a rust remover is sufficient and will be more cost-effective for the foreseeable future. Visitors to the cemetery will notice that those stones that exhibited rust stains have been cleaned.

The trustees would like to remind residents and those who maintain burial plots in the cemetery to use discretion when placing ornamental memorials and plants on monuments. This will assist the grounds crew when trimming close to the stones and help to keep the park uncluttered and free of decorations which will fade and blow away. A listing of the rules that govern use of the cemetery can be found on the town website.

There are several granite posts on the fence by Town Hall Road and Cherry Lane which are available for purchase to mount memorial plaques. There is also space in the Memorial Garden for placement of small memorial benches.

In 2016 eight lot licenses were sold and there were two burials.

Respectfully submitted:

Roderic Hutton, William Leslie, Sandra O'Neill



WATER RESOURCES BOARD

The Madbury Water Resources Board concerns itself with issues of water quality and quantity in Madbury and the watersheds of the region. The many areas of interest are guided by the Town's Master Plan.

The Board reviewed results of a voluntary well sampling program completed by the MtBE Remediation Bureau in November of 2015. The study was conducted to evaluate for presence of MtBE and ensure safe drinking water in the area of and around Pudding Hill Road. None of the 58 wells tested had MtBE levels above the drinking water standard of 13ppb. Fifty one wells had no detection, three measured in the range of 0.5 to 5ppb and one tested between 5 and 13ppb where state law requires NHDES to perform public notification to all well owners within 500 feet.

The Final Hydrogeological Report from the City of Dover to NH DES on the testing of a new Dover City well drawing from the Pudding Hill Aquifer, DPH1, was reviewed in detail. The new well is intended to substantially replace the Griffin Well that is threatened by contamination. The study indicates there appears to be a natural divide between the two wells.

The board reviewed a request for conditional use permit concerning a driveway culvert crossing for a subdivision and provided feedback to the Planning Board.

Research continues on the Hick's Hill Water System. Bob Sterndale worked with the Fire Department to pump water all the way up into the reservoir. Valves were purchased and will be installed to allow isolating the system. Additional testing is planned for the coming year. The Madbury Water Board meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, any interested residents are invited to attend and participate in the discussions.

Respectfully submitted,
Garret Ahlstrom, Chairman



Low flow below the dam in the Bellamy River due to the drought.
E. Fiegenbaum

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission saw only one wetland application associated with development in 2016. We provided research and comment to the Planning Board about the State and Town's shoreland protection rules.

The Commission fully supported the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests' plan to purchase and conserve some 252 acres of land in Madbury, Durham and Lee owned by the Goss family. The project, known as the Powder Major Farm and Forest, received both regional and state wide support. Both the Selectmen and the Commission supported the project with funding in the amounts of \$50,000 and \$25,000 respectively. The Town also agreed to provide a conservation easement on the Town owned Schreiber property, which is mostly surrounded by the Goss properties. The Commission supplied support for grant applications, attended outreach events, and issued a postcard to encourage residents to contribute as they were able. We also reviewed and commented on the proposed conservation easements.

In February, the Commission learned of a proposal by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to establish a Great Thicket National Wildlife Refuge. The proposal is in support of early successional forest habitat and the animals which depend on it, including the threatened New England cottontail, shrubland-dependent migratory birds, and Federal listed threatened or endangered species. The Commission surveyed some Town properties with NH Fish and Game to evaluate them for a possible project in support of the efforts to provide habitat for the New England cottontail. Several Madbury residents are already participating on their own and the Commission hopes to support others, as one focus area of the Refuge targets Madbury and the Oyster River area.

The Commission monitored conservation easement properties in Madbury. Generally, we found no violations. We were disappointed to find that there had been numerous single track mountain bike trails constructed on the Hayes Farm, of which the Town holds the easement. While the trails may not violate the easement, they were constructed without the permission of the landowner. The landowner expressed a desire to maintain the trails that were available at the time of the easement purchase and maintain trails that have a wider user base. Both the Selectmen and the Commission support the landowner's right to determine the use of his land and moved to stop the construction of additional trails. While some mountain bikers understood the implications, some had difficulty understanding and respecting the landowner's right. The Commission worked to communicate with the trail user community about the issue. First explaining the landownership and noticing the trail closures, and then finally moving to close the trails. There are plans to re-publish the current trail map and work with the town and UNH to better identify the approved trails.

As always, we encourage town residents to bring us their concerns, comments and ideas by letter, email, or attendance at our meetings. We meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair

MADBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Madbury Historical Society, incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, held its organizational meeting on October 17, 1978. The stated purpose of the Society is to encourage an interest in the History of Madbury including the collection, display, and care of articles of historic interest. In order to help facilitate this, the Society has established a fund for the purpose of finding a future home. The initial sum of money came from generous donations raised by the Ramsbotham's at an event that they held. Currently, Society collections are stored in various places throughout the Town Hall and the Madbury Library. The Society was fortunate to receive a \$500 grant from the Wentworth Trust in 2016 for the purchase of archival boxes for the storage of historic papers and photos. They were put to use for the storage of items donated by Dorothy and Carl Wentworth and others. Our archivist, Janet Wall, and Vice President Jeannette Fones have been busy sorting and identifying items from Madbury's past. They have been displaying pertinent Madbury photographs, articles, and documents at all the MHS meetings. The Book Committee is working to update the "Madbury People and Places" book which was first published in 1968 as a project sponsored by the Bicentennial Committee for the Town of Madbury.

The programs presented in 2016 ranged from topics about Child Labor in New England during the late 1800's (including Dover and Somersworth), NH's Forgotten Patriot Pirates, 12,000 year old Archaeological evidence of Native Americans in NH, and the readings of Historic papers about Madbury. A summer mosey was held in Portsmouth at the 1716 Warner House and the 1695 Wentworth-Coolidge mansion (home of NH's first royal governor). The Society participated in Madbury Day by setting up the Morning Cafe and displaying information about the Town's History. A successful basket raffle was presented by Society members in "historic dress".

There are MHS items of interest on the Town website. The Cemetery Committee has worked hard to archive local graveyards which has been a time consuming and strenuous project. There is still much to be recorded, but the results so far can be accessed through the Town website. The program calendar for 2017 is also on the Town website with meetings on Jan.10, April 11, May 1 (planning for Madbury Day), July 26, and Nov 14. Membership is open to all persons interested in Town, State and Regional History.



The Elliot and Son's greenhouse chimney was demolished on July 7, 2016. J. Davis

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/11/2016	Alterations to cell tower	Smith Revoc Tr, Gerald L	22 Jenkins Rd	27,000
1/25/2016	16' x 20' shed	Lynch M & Mei Chin S Rev Trust	93 Perkins Rd	8,000
2/4/2016	General home renovation	Lobdell Irev Tst, Winslow S	265 Littleworth Rd	30,000
2/22/2016	New roof	Kalway, Craig	26 Nute Rd	16,000
3/7/2016	Renovate two bathrooms	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	10,000
4/18/2016	Add partition to create rooms	Green, Frederick W	14 Garrison Lane	8,000
4/18/2016	Partitions to create rooms	Curran, James E	33 Bunker Lane	30,000
4/25/2016	Re-roof house and barn	Morong Revoc Trust, Lorraine	117 Piscataqua Bridge Rd	15,000
4/25/2016	New home	Cox, Andrew	117 Perkins Rd	350,000
5/12/2016	Morton building	Horr, Andrew F.	21 Mill Hill Rd	48,000
5/12/2016	Attached garage	Childs, Katherine Ann	2 Andrew Way	50,000
5/23/2016	Build 30x45 shed	Engalichev Rev Trust, Nicolas	48 Freshet Rd	40,000
6/9/2016	Upgrades to home	Pappas Revoc Trust, Carolyn M	330 Knox Marsh Rd	5,000
6/9/2016	Add mezzanine	Oyster River Coop School Dist	11 Lee Rd	-
6/13/2016	Replace 3 antennas	AT & T Wireless Service	44 Beech Hill Rd	15,000
7/14/2016	Add 16x19 deck	Pasay, Justin L	31 Freshet Rd	3,500
7/14/2016	10x14 shed	Munroe, Alan L	6 Champernowne	4,000
7/25/2016	New home	Cain Developers	17 Evans Rd	250,000
7/25/2016	Pool electrical	Bacon, Matthew Flinn	20 Moharimet Dr	17,000
7/25/2016	Remodeling	Avery, Devin B	48 Moharimet Dr	5,500
8/1/2016	Re-roof home	Rogers, Michael L	1 Moss Lane	8,000
8/4/2016	New kitchen	Sherry, Timothy & Belfiore, Al	6 Mill Hill Rd	50,000
8/8/2016	12x24 shed	Mehr, Brian A	78 Perkins Rd	6,000
8/18/2016	24x26 garage	Heaton, Scott J	51 Moharimet Dr	25,000
8/18/2016	Inground pool	Coppola, David J	7 Cherry Lane	50,000

Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
8/29/2016	Roof structure	Maftai, Danut C	7 Garrison Lane	8,000
9/8/2016	New home	Sherman, Hilary	59 Freshet Rd	400,000
10/10/2016	Inground pool	Farrell, Patricia Rev Liv Trt	10 Hoyt Pond Road	35,000
10/13/2016	New home	Curley II, Robert T	98 Hayes Rd	175,000
10/24/2016	In ground pool	Andersen, Kelly M	6 Fern Way	29,800
10/27/2016	Re-roof home	Lawrence Rev Trust, Albert Sr	155 Drew Rd	10,000
11/10/2016	New home	Thompson, Wilfred	1 Fancy Hill	250,000
11/17/2016	24x24 shed	Fender, James E	354 Route 108	25,500
12/22/2016	Solar array	Portsmouth, City of	60-62 Freshet Rd	-
12/31/2016	Above ground pool	Leblank, Mark	48 Bunker Ln	500

Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/14/2016	Alterations to electrical	Myers Revoc Trust, Victoria H	45 Moharimet Dr	1,500
1/14/2016	New home electrical	Shaheen, William H	75 Perkins Rd	20,000
1/25/2016	16' x 20' shed	Lynch M & Mei Chin S Rev Trust	93 Perkins Rd	1,000
1/25/2016	Interlock switch for generator	Linzey, Thomas J	19A Huckins Rd	800
2/4/2016	Electrical update	Lobdell Irrev Tst, Winslow S	265 Littleworth Rd	4,000
2/11/2016	Electrical upgrades	Cilley, Gary A	29 Moharimet Dr	900
2/11/2016	Add smoke detectors	Raynes, David	54 Old Stage Rd	1,200
2/22/2016	Solar array	Philbrook, Richard	1 French Cross Rd	21,500
3/10/2016	Temp electrical service after fire	Brown, Kendra	53 Nute Rd	650
3/10/2016	Kitchen electrical as needed	Morse, James C Sr	8 Moharimet Dr	1,600
3/17/2016	Bath plumbing as discussed	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	4,000
3/31/2016	Addition electrical	Keith, Theodore & Jane	77 Hayes Rd	4,500
4/7/2016	Solar array as per plans	Gelsey, Giana	86 Hayes Rd	11,495
4/21/2016	Relocate electrical service	Parsons, John A	14 Huckins Rd	1,560

Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
4/21/2016	Solar array	Davis, Micum S	181 Drew Rd	18,200
4/28/2016	Solar array	Dresser, Herbert	14 French Cross Rd	3,000
5/5/2016	12 kw generator electrical	Lustgraaf, Maryanne	9 Cherry Lane	1,400
5/5/2016	Solar array	Bassett, Emilie J	2 Sarah Paul Hill	10,000
5/12/2016	Garage electrical	Childs, Katherine Ann	2 Andrew Way	1,000
5/12/2016	Bathroom electrical	Deangelis, Lawrence A	16 Pendexter Rd	350
6/2/2016	Minor electrical work	Green, Frederick W	14 Garrison Lane	1,400
6/27/2016	Mini split	Kimball, Anne E	11 Cherry Lane	10,000
7/25/2016	Solar array	Holden, Marc P	33 Town Hall Rd	19,385
7/25/2016	Pool electrical	Bacon, Matthew Flinn	20 Moharimet Dr	1,000
8/11/2016	Generator install	Gagnon, Deborah A	55 Nute Rd	5,800
8/18/2016	Electrical upgrades	Sherry, Timothy & Belfiore, Al	6 Mill Hill Rd	2,500
8/22/2016	Solar array	Bonney, Carla R	34 Town Hall Rd	26,500
8/22/2016	Underground tank	Cain Investments LLC, Paul W	17 Evans Rd	15,000
8/22/2016	New home electrical	Cox, Andrew	117 Perkins Rd	14,000
8/29/2016	Wiring for shed and pump	Beal Trust, Andrew D	82 Hayes Rd	3,700
9/19/2016	Lighting to farmers porch	Maftei, Danut C	7 Garrison Lane	100
10/3/2016	Install 11 kw generator	Renshaw, Robert W	29 Town Hall Rd	1,200
10/3/2016	Solar array	Taylor, Erica	172 Littleworth Rd	11,000
10/6/2016	Electrical for pool	Coppola, David J	7 Cherry Lane	3,000
10/13/2016	Install 22 kw generator	Stewart, Justin E	25 Garrison Lane	9,400
11/17/2016	Panel for new greenhouse	New Hampshire, University of	333 Knox Marsh Rd	12,000
11/21/2016	Standby generator install	Barden, Marsha	9 Hook Mill Rd	5,000
11/28/2016	Solar array	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	46,500
12/22/2016	Solar array	Portsmouth, City of	68-62 Freshet Rd	587,000

Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/4/2016	Install gas bottle and piping for generator	Tillman, Lucy E	1 Hayes Rd	300
1/28/2016	Install gas line for gas stove	Jones, Jeremiah	19 French Cross Rd	800
1/28/2016	Install 500 gallon propane tank underground	Sedgewick, Lindsay	52B Old Stage Rd	400
2/4/2016	Plumbing permit	Lodell Irrev Tst, Winslow S	265 Littleworth Rd	5,000
2/11/2016	Install 50 gallon gas bottle	Jones, Jeremiah	19 French Cross Rd	200
2/15/2016	New home heating and cooling	Shaheen, William H	75 Perkins Rd	13,000
2/22/2016	HVAC for addition	Keith, Theodore & Jane	77 Hayes Rd	18,000
3/3/2016	New home gas piping	Shaheen, William H	75 Perkins Rd	3,000
3/10/2016	Add mini split ac unit	Anderson Family Revoc Trust	181 Madbury Rd	3,426
3/24/2016	Install 500 gallon gas tank and piping	Shaheen, William H	75 Perkins Rd	500
4/11/2016	Gas piping	Keith, Theodore & Jane	77 Hayes Rd	150
5/5/2016	12 kw generator electrical	Lustgraaf, Maryanne	9 Cherry Lane	7,500
5/9/2016	Above ground gas piping for range	Rice, James R	13 Moss Lane	500
5/12/2016	Residential addition -- attached garage	Childs, Katherine Ann	2 Andrew Way	3,000
6/13/2016	Add propane tanks for dryers	Three Sons Realty, LLC	46 Old Stage Rd	500
6/27/2016	Add range	Bellamy Rental Prop. of NH	153 Madbury Rd	200
6/27/2016	Add range	Walker, Jody A	54 Evans Rd	200
7/25/2016	Add gas fireplace to new home	Cain Developers	17 Evans Rd	2,000
8/11/2016	Gas line for generator	Gagnon, Deborah A	55 Nute Rd	600
8/22/2016	500 gal underground tank	Cain Investments LLC, Paul W	17 Evans Rd	1,000
9/12/2016	Gas piping for fireplace and water heater	Marsh, Donald	17 Evans Rd	10,000
10/3/2016	30' gas piping	Horn, Bruce W	20 Bunker Lane	500
10/6/2016	Gas piping for generator and water heater	Stewart, Justin E	25 Garrison Lane	1,100
11/17/2016	Install 2-420# tanks and piping to generator	Barden, Marsha	9 Hook Mill Rd	500
12/5/2016	325 gal tank and 50' gas piping for new home	Sherman, Hilary	59 Freshet Rd	1,100
12/19/2016	New home mechanical, tank, gas piping	Cox, Andrew	117 Perkins Rd	8,000
12/28/2016	Gas piping	Curley, Robert	98 Hayes Rd	360

Plumbing Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/14/2016	New home plumbing	Shaheen, William H	75 Perkins Rd	12,000
2/22/2016	Plumbing for addition	Keith, Theodore & Jane	77 Hayes Rd	8,000
3/10/2016	Kitchen plumbing	Morse, James C Sr	8 Moharimet Dr	1,500
3/17/2016	Bath plumbing as discussed	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	4,200
3/24/2016	Bathroom and laundry	Coldstream Properties, LLC	316 Route 108	2,000
5/9/2016	Bathroom plumbing	Deangelis, Lawrence A	16 Pendexter Rd	400
5/26/2016	Misc plumbing work	Pappas Revoc Trust, Carolyn M	330 Knox Marsh Rd	6,000
9/12/2016	New home plumbing	Marsh, Donald	17 Evans Rd	16,000

Demo Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2016 and Dec 31, 2016

Date	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
5/19/2016	Patrick Murray	53 Nute Rd	10,000
6/2/2016	Roger Lavault	39 Bunker Lane	-
7/25/2016	Jason Berndtson	306 Knox Marsh Rd	-
10/6/2016	Laura Higginson	42 Cherry Lane	-

Summary of Permits:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Fees</u>
Building Permit	36	\$7,862
Electrical Permit	39	950
Mechanical Permit	27	625
Plumbing Permit	8	175
Demo Permit	4	230
Driveway Permit	1	25
Total of all Fees	113	\$9,867

OYSTER RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Since its inception in 2011, the Oyster River Local River Advisory Committee (OR LAC) has busied itself with the protection of the river's identified outstanding natural and cultural resources. ORLAC is made up of representatives from the four towns through which the designated river flows: Barrington, Durham (UNH), Lee, and Madbury. The duties of the committee include advising on plans or actions that would alter the resource values or characteristics of the river, developing a local river corridor management plan, and reporting biennially to the State and annually to the towns.

During 2016, the Committee continued a discussion on bringing the corridor management plan, which is not regulatory in nature, to the towns. We hope a simple survey will help focus our future attentions on the towns' priorities. The continuing drought conditions in the region had us discussing the spectrum of related topics from posting road signs to help the public identify the river at major road crossings to the State's requirement to set instream flow rules for designated rivers. The State is currently transitioning the instream flow process from a pilot program to final rules as required by RSA 483.

The committee commented on several projects in the river corridor. We looked favorably on a proposal to replace an undersized culvert at Emerald Dr. in Barrington. The replacement structure would better handle high water levels and provide fish passage and refuge habitat. This is the second attempt to fund this project. We supported the Strafford Regional Planning Commission's project on infrastructure and environmental risk factors in determining potential threats to water quality due to septic system failure or malfunction. We forwarded our questions and concerns on the replacement of underground storage tanks at a gas station at the Lee Traffic Circle and the crossing of the Oyster River for Eversource's Seacoast Reliability Project.

Along with the Lamprey River LAC we attended a presentation on the NH DES Surface Water Quality Assessment Program and the program's Integrated Report. The Integrated Report describes the quality of New Hampshire's surface waters and an analysis of the extent to which all such waters provide for the protection and propagation of a balanced population of shellfish, fish, and wildlife, and allow recreational activities in and on the water.

The committee currently holds meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at the Madbury Town Hall. The committee can be contacted through a general email address at: info@oysterriverlac.org.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair

DRAGON MOSQUITO CONTROL

The 2016 mosquito season dried up like a streambed during a drought. The mosquito counts were down as well as the insecticide use for 2016. The drought's impact on the plant and animal kingdom has been devastating in many areas.

Disease test results revealed only one batch of West Nile Virus (WNV) mosquitoes from Nashua. No human cases were reported in NH. No evidence of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in the state this year. Hot, dry summers favor WNV while wet years favor EEE.

Aside from the drought, ZIKA Virus was another big story dominating the headlines this year. We continue to look for the Asian tiger mosquito, *Aedes albopictus*, known to transmit ZIKA in southern states and other countries. Fortunately, no species of mosquitoes capable of transmitting the ZIKA virus have been found in New Hampshire yet. It's expected to make its way into the state eventually as the climate warms. Until such time, we'll identify the potential larval habitats used by this mosquito and set traps to catch and identify adult mosquitoes.

Adult mosquitoes were monitored at four locations throughout town. Mosquitoes were collected in light traps, identified to species, and select species were sent to the State Lab in Concord where they were tested for diseases. None of the mosquitoes collected in Madbury tested positive for disease in 2016. Dragon has identified 85 larval mosquito habitats in Madbury. Crews checked larval habitats 359 times throughout the season. There were 29 treatments to eliminate mosquito larvae. In addition, 83 catch basin treatments were made to combat disease carrying mosquitoes. Spraying to control adult mosquitoes was not conducted last season.

The proposed 2017 Mosquito Control plan for Madbury includes trapping mosquitoes for disease testing, sampling wetlands for larval mosquito activity, larviciding where mosquito larvae are found, efficacy monitoring, and emergency spraying when a public health threat exists. The control program begins in April when mosquito larvae are found in stagnant water such as red maple and cedar swamps, ditches, and woodland pools. Trapping adult mosquitoes begins in July. The mosquito control program ends in October.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry online at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, description of your house, road frontage and type of wetland. Inquiries may be emailed to help@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144. You may call or email our office for assistance regarding mosquitoes, insecticides or questions about EEE or WNV. Check out our web site: www.dragonmosquito.com where you can request a larval survey, sign up for email alerts or follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah MacGregor

STRAFFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Strafford Regional Planning Commission's mission is to assure that the region is responsive to the needs of its residents through cooperative actions with municipalities and federal and state agencies, through the implementation of regional plans, and through local planning assistance. The Commission's professional staff provide transportation, land use, economic development, hazard mitigation, water, public health, and natural resource planning services; geographic information services (GIS); data collection and analysis; facilitation; and project management.

2016 Specific Accomplishments in Madbury:

- Worked with Madbury (in addition to others on the byway) to facilitate the Mills Scenic Byway Committee which developed and adopted a Corridor Management Plan in January 2016.
- Gave presentation to Oyster River Local Advisory Committee on the results from the Durham septic system project in order to receive letter of support.
- Worked with staff from the Oyster River Cooperative School District to conduct a climate change lesson with two fifth grade classrooms. Students were given the opportunity to create poster boards displaying what they had learned over the course of the lesson and to present their work at a public workshop at the Durham Public Library.
- As part of the Climate Risk in the Seacoast (C-RiSe) project, SRPC staff met with municipal officials for the project kickoff, and provided them with town profile impact summaries, draft maps showing the effect of sea-level rise, and draft vulnerability assessments.
- Completed the standardized map set for the region, including maps for the Town of Madbury.
- Adopted the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Distributed New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation books to local land use boards.

Goals for 2017 for the Region:

- Provide technical assistance through mapping efforts.
- Use federal designation as an Economic Development District to provide municipalities with access to additional infrastructure and program development grants.
- Continue to carryout Brownfields assessment grant for the region and apply for additional assessment funds.
- Release the formatted 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Carry out SHRP2 performance measure project with NHDOT, MPOs, our communities, and other stakeholders.
- Provide technical assistance to communities updating their floodplain and/or stormwater regulations.
- Develop online web maps and applications for use by the public, using ArcGIS online

- Continue local transportation planning tasks in support of safety, mobility, and access management.
- Complete Ten Year project solicitation with all Strafford region municipalities and transit agencies.
- Improve technical capacity for transportation project development and long-term planning.
- Continue to provide technical assistance, education and outreach on multi-hazard mitigation strategies, and low impact development.
- Continue development in the following three planning program areas to benefit the region’s communities: energy/utilities, community health and safety, and resiliency to climate adaptation.
- Continue to enhance water resource protection by working with municipalities to improve drinking water protection.
- Complete the land use layer update.

We look forward to working with the citizens and officials of Madbury in 2017. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and for your continuing support of regional planning. Further questions or comments can be referred to Cynthia Copeland, AICP, Executive Director at cjc@strafford.org. We can be found on Twitter and Facebook! We also have a blog at <http://strafford.org/magazine/>. Please visit our website at www.strafford.org for more information. If you would like to receive E-Bulletins from SRPC, please go to our home page of our website noted above.

Cynthia Copeland, AICP, Executive Director



In 1735, Madbury became an entity when John and Judah Tasker gave an acre of land on which to build a meeting house. In 1755, Madbury was incorporated and set off from Dover. In 1768, Madbury was vested with full town privileges. This float is from a celebration in 1923. In 2018, Madbury will be 250 years old. Watch for signs of a “committee” to plan the celebration in 2018 - we’ll need your ideas and help.

OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Recently I had the opportunity to individually update the three towns regarding the Oyster River Cooperative School District. I shared that in the past year we have seen student achievement continue to be one of the highest in New Hampshire, we implemented Full-Day Kindergarten, and a new K-5 math program. In this report, I'd like to share this year's Board goals and three indicators of growth and success.

Approved School Board Goals

1. Develop a communication strategy that engages the community in a dialogue on key issues (goals 2-6 below)
2. Inform the public of the condition of the Oyster River Middle School Facility and to engage in a dialogue with all stakeholders to determine community priorities.
3. Develop a plan to add Chinese instruction to the middle and high schools and expand Spanish and French instruction at the middle school.
4. To make decisions regarding start times for all schools for 2017-18.
5. Engage the community in a dialogue about the mental health and wellness of our student population. Develop a K-12 Trauma Action Plan for review.
6. The MS staff will complete the Competency Plan across all subjects and grades to include Standards and present recommended progress report format to the School Board for approval.

Enrollment Increases as of October 1, 2016

Our enrollment is up by approximately 3%. The October 1 count of 2,115 which includes our tuition students, but not the 30 students in pre-school breaks down as Mast Way - 320, Moharimet - 373, Middle School - 656 and the High School - 766. This breakdown also marks the first year for full-day kindergarten. We have 6 kindergarten classes between the two elementary schools with about 18 students in each and one K/1 class at Mast Way to maintain an 18:1 student teacher ratio.

SAT Scores Increase in Math Substantially

ORCSD continues to be a top performer in NH. Across the country 7 states adopted SAT as their statewide high school assessment of which NH scored the highest. ORHS students achieved a score of 1157, an amazing accomplishment when you consider every student took the SAT for the first time in our history. ORHS math scores leaped forward with 71% of our students deemed proficient in math by the state.

Athletic Fields Grand Opening

The ORHS Athletic Fields grand opening on September 24th was a tremendous success. Voters in March passed this by a margin of 69%, bringing the greater community together to celebrate this 19-year dream.

As always, it is a sincere pleasure to serve the ORCSD as your Superintendent of Schools.

Respectfully submitted, Dr. James C. Morse, Sr.



Roberta Stearns, know as Bubbles - the Madbury Day clown, passed away on Saturday May 21, 2016. She was the vice president of Bunker Lane Condominium Association and enjoyed giving away balloons with bubbles to kids of all ages on Madbury Day.



Indra Edmonds (left) and Nancy Pape (Madbury Day Chair Lady) march in the 2016 parade on June 4, 2016. Parade participants, including Nancy, wore red clown noses as an unofficial remembrance to Roberta Stearns, the Madbury Day clown.

VITAL STATISTICS

Deaths

<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Death Date</u>	<u>Death Place</u>	<u>Father's/Parent's Name</u>	<u>Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union</u>
Sanders, Marilyn	01/27/2016	Portsmouth	Hale, H Lester	Hutchinson, Elsie
Polson, Lois	02/16/2016	Dover	Goad, Harold	Elliott, Bessie
Townsend, Amos	02/21/2016	Madbury	Townsend, Harry	Forbes, Clara
Jacobsen, Connor	3/14/2016	MA	Jacobsen, Jeff	Nigney, Lorna
Jennison, Allyn	03/28/2016	Madbury	Jennison, Harold	Gilmore, Eva
Stearns, Roberta	05/21/2016	Madbury	Skeats, Stanley	Dionne, Margurite
Carter, Jacob	05/24/2016	Dover	Carter III, William	Hooper, Eileen
Colprit, J David	5/26/2016	PA	Colprit, James	Colprit, Emily
Brown, Jeanne	06/18/2016	Dover	Thivierge, Francois	Dion, Theodora
Lacey, Dorothy	06/24/2016	Rochester	Mills, George	Donovan, Emily
Burkholder, Joan	07/11/2016	Bedford	Cooper, Edwin	Nelson, Edith
Busby, Barbara	08/02/2016	Madbury	Busby, Arthur	Eastman, Esther
Buddelmann, Lauretta	10/23/2016	Madbury	Cole, George	Perry, Grace
Lanoue, Virginia	10/31/2016	Dover	Patterson, Peter	Elliott, Constance
Morrison Jr, William	11/21/2016	Madbury	Morrison Sr, William	Richardson, Mildred
Upton, Robert	11/23/2016	Dover	Upton, Edgar	Daykin, Loretta
Dunham, Janet	11/30/2016	Portsmouth	Silsby, John	Kisro, Mae
Jakubowski, Ruth	12/05/2016	Madbury	Wynott, Charles	Walker, Edna

Births

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Father's/Partner's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Moore, Sierra Winter Grace	01/11/2016	Rochester, NH	Tufts, Nicholas	Moore, Lea
Rogers, Samuel Alan	09/03/2016	Dover, NH	Rogers, Alan	Rogers, Elizabeth
Davenport, Weston Lagrange	03/24/2016	Dover, NH	Davenport III, Gordon	Davenport, Leigh
Jordan, Madelyn Skye	07/20/2016	Dover, NH	Jordan, Casey	Ager, Rachel
Whiting, Abby June	08/22/2016	Rochester, NH	Whiting, Jordan	Whiting, Danielle
Guillemette, Foster Benjamin	12/09/2016	Dover, NH	Guillemette, Jack	Guillemette, Kaitlyn
Lewis, Elena Grace	11/11/2016	Rochester, NH	Lewis, Philip	Lewis, Amy
Creps, Jameson Hiro	10/12/2016	Dover, NH	Creps, Tyler	Lee, Samantha
O'Neill, Caitlin Grace	12/20/2016	Dover, NH	O'Neill, Cormac	O'Neill, Marie

Marriages

<u>Person A's Name and Residence</u>	<u>Person B's Name and Residence</u>	<u>Town of Issuance</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Date</u>
Torr, Lawrence L; Madbury, NH	Wiley, Christine M; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Madbury	05/14/2016
Fellows, Nicole C; Madbury, NH	Jurkowski, Kilean P; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Durham	07/27/2016
Vincent, James A; Madbury, NH	Kelley, Danielle M; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Durham	08/13/2016
Hopkinson, Robert B; Madbury, NH	Ballestero, Alyssa D; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Madbury	08/14/2016
Marples, Anne E; Madbury, NH	Squires, Peter B; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Madbury	12/18/2016

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