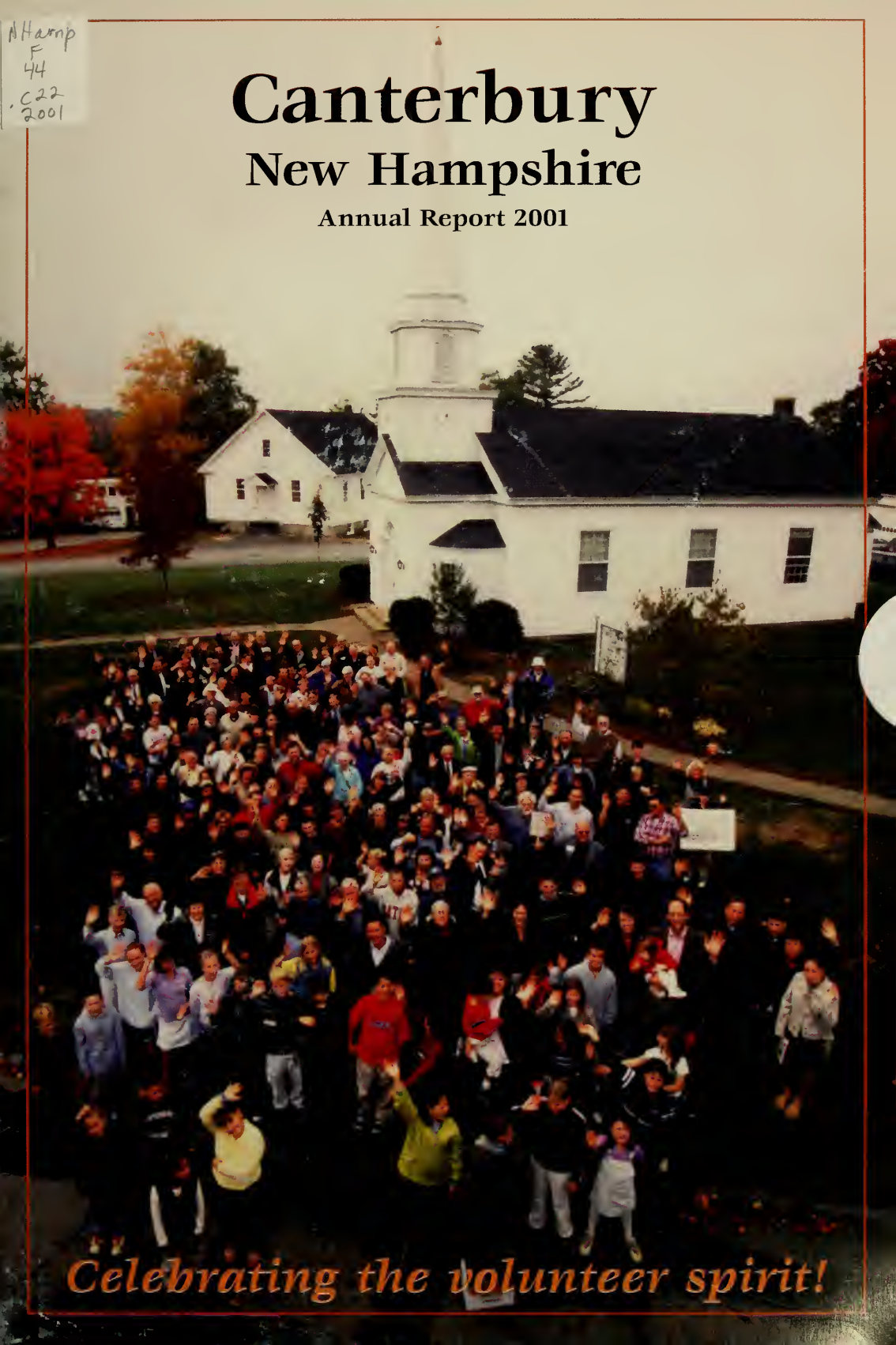


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Celebrating the volunteer spirit!

A Special Thank You To Our Volunteers

The cover of this year's report shows some of the many hundreds of people who volunteer their time and talents in service to our community. Just for a moment, imagine Canterbury without volunteers. There would be no parades, no fireworks, and no holiday observances. The children would have no swimming lessons, skiing, soccer, baseball or basketball, no story hour, no Scouts, no 4-H, and the schools would be much less lively places. There would be no newsletter, no Fair, no Canterbury Fund, and no Historical Society. The roadsides would be lined with litter. There would be no playground, and no gazebo. The store in the center would be closed. Our taxes would be much, much higher, to pay for the essential services that are now donated. The fire department, the building and health inspectors, the Board of Selectmen, and the committees would be made up of paid staff, with a hefty price tag, and fewer people would be involved in the decisions that affect our Town. We are delighted, and grateful, that we don't live in a place like that! Canterbury is full of volunteers, from those who give a little time now and then to those who work as hard at their volunteer jobs as they do at their day jobs. You may be a volunteer yourself, but even if you're not, someone you know is. Look around you, or just look in the mirror and join us in saying thank you to all of the volunteers who make Canterbury such a fine place to live.

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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
CANTERBURY
New Hampshire

Comprising those of the Selectmen,
Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector,
Health Officers, Road Agent, Library Trustees,
Trustees of the Trust Funds, Planning Board,
Board of Adjustment, Conservation Commission,
Historical Society, Police and Fire Departments.




About 45 years ago Bob and Priscilla Lockwood decided to look for a rural New Hampshire town in which to raise their family and serve their community. They chose Canterbury. The time and energy they have devoted to making the Town a better place has and will continue to have enormous benefits for us all.

Politically, both Bob and Priscilla have been very active in their community, including everything from school politics to state politics. Bob was on the School Board for many years and served as moderator for many school meetings. Priscilla served the School District for almost three decades, first as a substitute teacher and then as a full time math teacher. She has served her Town as a member of the Planning Board, a Supervisor of the Checklist and as a recent Selectmen. Both of these "honorable" Lockwoods have served the Great State of New Hampshire as Legislatures.

The Lockwoods have worked in one capacity or another on almost every Canterbury Fair. Bob was the main author of the newly published Canterbury Fair History. He, along with Priscilla and others, spent many hours putting it together for all to enjoy.

Priscilla and Bob Lockwood, we are grateful that you chose Canterbury as your home so long ago. This book is dedicated to you in appreciation for all you have done. Thank you.



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Town Officers
(ELECTED)

Selectmen (3 Yrs.)

Michael R. Capone, Chairman (2003)
Frank Tupper (2002)
James Bassett (2004)

Town Clerk / Tax Collector (3 Yrs.)

Cheryl A. Gordon (2004)

Treasurer (1 Yr.)

Mary K. Witschonke (2002)

Moderator (2 Yrs.)

Wayne Mann (2002)

School Board (3 Yrs.)

Thomas Garfield, - Belmont (2002)
Graham Chynoweth - Canterbury (2004)
Sumner Dole, Chair - Canterbury (2004)
William Hart - Belmont (2002)
Thomas Goulette - Belmont (2003)
Steven Fournier - Belmont (2004)
Vicky Chase - Canterbury (2003)

Planning Board (3 Yrs.)

Bill Egan - Chair (2003)
Jim Snyder - Vice Chair (2002)
Don Burgess (2003)
Nat Witschonke (2002)
Ken Stern (2004)
Brian Kilrain (2004)
Michael Capone - Selectmen's Representative
Henry Turco - Alternate (2003)
Ken Jordan - Alternate (2002)
Nancy Lilly - Secretary

Cemetery Committee (3 Yrs.)

Virginia Dudley (2004)

Hugh Fifield (2003)

Regina Lamprey (2002)

Supervisors Of The Checklist (6 Yrs.)

Mary Ann Winograd (2004)

Marcia Scarponi (2006)

Brenda Murray (2002)

Library Trustees

Claudia Leidinger, Chair (2002)

John Bouton (2004)

Chuck Sanborn (2004)

Hank Turco (2002)

Marcia Scarponi (2004)

Judy Nelson (2004)

Trustee Of The Trust Funds (3 Yrs.)

Greg Heath, Chair (2002)

Nancy Lilly (2003)

John Evans (2004)

State Representatives

Priscilla Lockwood

Leo W. Fraser Jr.

Raymond C. Cummings

Roy Maxfield

State Senator

Robert B. Flanders

Town Officers
(Appointed)

Clerk Of The Board

Janice L. Stout

Assessing Clerk

Carol M. Landry

Road Agent

Philip K. Stone Jr.

Police Department

Gwen Deurell, Chief

Stephen Shurtliff – Full-time Officer

Lawrence Phillips, Part-time Officer

Brian Duchesne – Part-time Officer

Todd Sheehan – Part-time Officer

Arthur Merrigan Jr., Part-time Officer – Resigned

Kathleen Cochrane, Secretary - Resigned

Fire Department

Dale Caswell, Chief

Scott Ruesswick, Deputy Chief

Health Officer

Beverly J. Entwistle, Public Health

Deputy Health Officer

Fritz Hafer, Sewage Disposal (Resigned)

Fire Warden / Civil Defense Director

Dale Caswell

Deputy Town Clerk

Patricia A. Capone

Budget Committee (3 Yrs.)

Kenneth Sorlin (2004)
Briggs Lockwood (2002)
Mary Ellen Fifield (2002)
John S. Pratt (2003)
Sewall G. Smith (2003)
Andrew Scanlon (2003)

Board Of Adjustment (3 Yrs.)

Joseph Halla, Chair (2003)
F. Webster Stout (2003)
Barbie Tilton (2003)
Kent Ruesswick (2004)
Kenneth Sorlin (2004)
John Scarponi (2004) (Alternate)
Kathryn K. Dickson (2003) (Alternate) (Resigned)

Conservation Commission

Robert Fife, Chair (2004)
Matthew Bowser (2003)
Stephanie Bowser (2003)
Howard Moffett (2004)
Kelly Short (2004)
Tom Roy (2005)
Darrel Covell (2005)
Teresa C. Wyman (2003) (Alternate)
Faith Berry (2004) (Alternate)

Library

Susan Holmes, Librarian
Elaine DiStefano, Librarian
Wesley Noyes, Asst. Librarian

Building Inspector

Jim Snyder

Recreation Committee (3 Yrs.)

Kenneth Robichaud, Chair (2003)

Heidi Hutchinson (2003)

Brian Collins (2002)

Harold Bowley (2003)

Gary Carlson (2003)

Aerobics : Barbara Cook (2002)

Ann Saunderson (2004)

Historic District Commission

Steve Booth, Chair (2004)

David Lamb (2002)

Jeff Brillhart (2002)

Virginia LaPlante (2002)

Frank A. Tupper, Selectmen's Representative

Alternates:

Robert Reno (2004)

Kevin Bragg (2004)

Economic Development Committee

Earl Hall, Chair, (2004)

Jeffrey Leidinger (2004)

Dwight Keeler (2004)

William Rice (2004)

Peter Hofman (2003)

Jeff Brillhart (2003)

Chance Anderson (2003)

Michael Capone , Selectmen's Representative

Recycling Committee

Heidi Hutchinson, Chair

Norman Bowles

Jill McCullough

Linda Chynoweth-Peters

Melanie Stephens

Sarah Tirrell-Wysocki

Frank Tupper, Selectmen's Representative

**WARRANT FOR THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**
State of New Hampshire

The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Canterbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Canterbury Elementary School in said Canterbury on Tuesday, the Twelfth Day of March, 2002, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

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

SECOND SESSION

The second session will be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday, the fifteenth of March, at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred eleven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$811,800) for the expansion and renovation of the Elkins Public Library and to authorize the issuance of not more than six hundred eighty one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$681,800) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from the library capital reserve fund created for this purpose; furthermore, to authorize the acceptance of the remaining thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from donations. Two thirds ballot vote required. (Recommended by two Selectmen not recommended by one Selectmen)
3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty five thousand and fifty dollars (\$165,050) for the purchase of a new grader for the Highway Department and to authorize the issuance of not more than one hundred eighteen thousand fifty dollars (\$118,050) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of forty seven thousand dollars (\$47,000) from the Road Grader capital reserve fund created for this purpose. Two-thirds ballot vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of sixty six thousand dollars (\$66,000) to construct a road and extend three-phase power 1100 feet from West Road into the Town-owned industrial site at exit 18 and to authorize the issuance of not more than sixty six thousand dollars (\$66,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and

negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon. Two-thirds ballot vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) for the following improvements to the Town Center and Town buildings as proposed by the Canterbury Building Needs Committee: Forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) for improvements to the Town Hall, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for planning and initial work around the Town Hall, Houser Museum, egress roads and recycling center, thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to replace the doors at the Fire Station and relocate and filter the Town water system and to authorize the issuance of not more than eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon. Two-thirds ballot vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an exemption for the disabled. The exemption, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, shall be thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years and own and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if any real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) or, if married, a combined net income of not more than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000): and own net assets not in excess of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000) excluding the value of the person s residence. Ballot vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
7. To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
8. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of capping the closed landfill site at the Town Recycling Center and to appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) as an initial funding amount. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen

as agents to expend from this capital reserve fund. This reserve fund will be used initially for monitoring wells and possibly a landfill closure plan and the eventual capping of the landfill should they be required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purchase of Assessing Software to assist in the upcoming property revaluation of the Town as well as the ongoing assessment of property improvements. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000) for the purchase of mechanic s tools for the Highway Department. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200) for the purchase of GIS mapping hardware and software to assist in the long term land planning needs of the Town. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to refurbish 53-MI, a 1987 pumper/tanker. (Not recommended by two Selectmen, recommended by one Selectmen.)
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand three hundred dollars (\$7,300) to purchase two new SCBA s (self-contained breathing apparatus), two spare oxygen bottles and two PASS safety alarms for use by the Fire Department. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
14. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and two.

Michael R. Capone, Chairman
Frank A. Tupper
James P. Bassett

2002 Budget - Town of Canterbury

	2001		2002		(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated	Spent		
EXECUTIVE						
Selectmen Salaries	6100	4000.00	6100	6100	0	
Health Insurance	21000	20707.20	26775	26775	5775	
Postage	2000	2259.47	1200	1200	-800	
Clerical Wages	27105	22741.97	25000	25000	-2105	
Office Equipment Repairs	250	275.50	250	250	0	
Selectmen Seminars	100	110.00	150	150	50	
Telephone	1100	1062.48	1420	1420	320	
Printing	200	0.00	200	200	0	
Office Equipment	1400	1235.29	1000	1000	-400	
Office Supplies	2450	2440.51	2000	2000	-450	
TOTAL	61705	54832.42	64095	64095	2390	

TOWN REPORT

Print/Mail Town Report	4000	3810.00	5500	1500
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ELECTION, REG & VITALS

Town Clerk Seminars	500	0.00	500	0
Dog Tags	350	1137.36	1200	850
Election Wages	500	204.00	500	0
Election Advertising	50	53.89	150	100
Voting Machine	0	150.00	2000	2000
Town Clerk Fees - Regs	4000	4795.50	4200	200
Town Clerk Fees - Stickers	3000	2922.50	3000	0
Vital Statistic Fees	100	190.00	100	0
Deputy Town Clerk Salary	12000	11102.75	12000	0

	2001	2001	2002	(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated		
Election, Reg & Vitals (cont)					
Marriage License Fees	300	418.00	300	0	0
Town Clerk Equip Repairs	250	0.00	250	0	0
Town Clerk Office Supplies	750	1025.67	750	0	0
Total	21800	21999.67	24950	3150	
Financial Administration					
Tax Collector Salary	16500	16375.00	16500	0	0
Registrar of Deeds	500	1021.12	800	300	300
Tax Collector Fees	2000	1920.00	2000	0	0
Outside Auditing	4200	4200.00	4950	750	750
Plate Sticker Fee	2300	0.00	0	-2300	0
Tax Map Maintenance	100	277.50	300	200	200
Tax Collector Seminars	450	0.00	450	0	0
Treasurer Salary	3000	3000.00	3000	0	0
Tax Collector Office Supp	1000	2831.97	1000	0	0
Tax Collector Postage	1600	1731.97	1600	0	0
Total	31650	31357.56	30600	-1050	
Cemeteries					
Cemetery Wages	8000	3525.60	8000	0	0
Sub-Contractor	350	1250.00	350	0	0
Equipment Repairs	200	0.00	200	0	0
Gasoline & Oil	300	0.00	300	0	0
Parts & Supplies	200	1539.29	200	0	0
Total	9050	6314.89	9050	0	0

	2001	2001	2002	(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated		
Gen Government Bldgs					
Center Electricity	260	131.32	260	0	0
Police Depy Electricity	975	844.62	975	0	0
Historical Society Maint	100	42.00	100	0	0
Historical Society Electricity	390	336.65	350	-40	-40
Town Bldgs Heat/Oil	8000	8221.18	8000	0	0
Town Hall Maintenance	100	35.00	100	0	0
Town Hall Electricity	260	303.95	260	0	0
Hwy/FD Maintenance	500	2848.20	2800	2300	2300
Town Building Emer Fund	3000	889.43	3000	0	0
Hwy/FD Electricity	3250	2195.06	2500	-750	-750
Sam Lake Maintenance	500	591.37	500	0	0
Sam Lake Electricity	1300	1306.69	1300	0	0
Police Department Maint	100	508.56	1000	900	900
Total	18735	18254.03	21145	2410	5000
Building Needs Committee					
Revaluation of Property					
Property Update/Pickups	5000	5580.00	19000	14000	14000
Legal Expenses	7000	7055.03	7000	0	0
Zoning Board					
Secretary Wages	600	1022.85	1000	400	400
Seminar	50	0.00	50	0	0
Postage	250	344.90	250	0	0
Advertising	500	611.58	500	0	0
Supplies	50	9.25	50	0	0
Total	1450	1988.58	1850	400	400

	2001	2001	2002	(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated		
Planning Board					
Postage	650	465.78	650	0	0
Secretary Wages	2100	2928.75	3100	1000	1000
Seminars	100	0.00	100	0	0
Professional Fees	5000	1889.08	2500	-2500	-2500
Advertising	300	311.99	300	0	0
Printing	650	351.68	650	0	0
Supplies	150	251.08	350	200	200
Equipment	50	0.00	50	0	0
Total	9000	6198.36	7700	-1300	

Regional Associations					
Tax Collector Dues	50	20.00	20	-30	-30
Town Clerk Dues	20	20.00	20	0	0
NH Municipal Association	1200	1201.66	1200	0	0
Central NH Planning	1755	1755.00	1880	125	125
NH Resource Recover	100	100.00	100	0	0
Assoc of Assessing Dues	20	20.00	20	0	0
Reg/Conc Solid Waste	20	0.00	20	0	0
Upper Merrimack River	25	30.00	55	30	30
Federal DOT Drug Testing	200	0.00	200	0	0
NH Health Officer Assoc.	25	0.00	25	0	0
Total	3415	3146.66	3540	125	

	2001	2001	2002	(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated		
Police Department					
Wages	90000	58673.01	98000	8000	
Sub-Contractor	30000	22781.00	32000	2000	
Sem/Dues/Subscriptions	400	460.00	400	0	
Prosecutor	500	0.00	5000	4500	
Cruiser Maintenance	2500	1846.71	2000	-500	
Health Insurance	18600	6614.80	8850	-9750	
Telephone	2500	3114.67	3000	500	
Radios & Repairs	1500	1612.26	1000	-500	
Dispatch	9805	7036.00	7050	-2755	
Gas/Oil	3500	2926.69	3000	-500	
Office Supplies	1200	3933.89	1700	500	
Uniforms	1000	3067.80	1000	0	
Supplies/New Equipment	1300	13312.40	1300	0	
Retirement	3500	1355.32	2500	-1000	
Software Support	1050	1050.00	0	-1050	
Petty Cash	0		200	200	
Total	167355	127784.55	167000	-355	

Fire Department					
Reimbursement	6500	6350.00	7800	1300	
Forest Fire Costs	800	779.54	800	0	
Vehicle Maintenance	9000	10610.09	11700	2700	
Training & Prevention	1000	690.45	2000	1000	
Dispatch	10245	10245.00	11985	1740	
Communications	5000	6245.68	6000	1000	
Dry Hydrants	1000	0.00	1000	0	
Gasoline & Oil	800	855.72	800	0	

	2001 Appropriated	2001 Spent	2002 Appropriated	(+/-)	Encumbered
Fire Department (cont)					
Fire & Rescue Equipment	12500	15200.52	10000	-2500	
Office Equipment	1800	555.30	800	-1000	
Medical Training	1000	902.50	1300	300	
Medical Equipment	4000	1954.10	2000	-2000	
Equipment Maintenance	2000	2471.19	2000	0	
Forest Fire Equipment	4000	2824.73	3000	-1000	
Total	59645	59684.82	61185	1540	
Civil Defense	1	0.00	1	0	
Building Inspection					
Seminars	100	0.00	100	0	
Supplies	150	120.00	150	0	
Salary	3000	3000.00	3000	0	
Other Inspections	400	50.00	0	-400	
Total	3650	3170.00	3250	-400	
Highway Administration					
Wages	125700	98756.72	130000	4300	
Sub-Cont/Equip Rental	8000	7328.08	12000	4000	
Equipment Repairs	15000	18872.86	15000	0	
Health Insurance	10236	4039.98	36000	25764	
Retirement	7500	7495.86	10000	2500	
Telephone	800	756.39	800	0	
Supplies	1500	4425.37	2000	500	
Gasoline & Diesel	15000	10787.76	10000	-5000	
Tires	3000	2396.82	3000	0	
Total	186736	154859.84	218800	32064	

	2001 Appropriated	2001 Spent	2002 Appropriated	(+/-)	Encumbered
Highways & Streets					
Salt	10000	9892.17	10000	0	0
Road Tar	25000	25000.00	35000	10000	
Road Improvements	50000	47571.42	50000	0	0
Sand & Gravel	30000	25546.37	30000	0	0
Total	115000	108009.96	125000	10000	
Culverts & Bridges					
Culverts & Bridges Maint	1500	1715.92	1500	0	0
Street Lighting					
	1950	1221.98	1500	-450	
Solid Waste					
Central NH Waste	1	0.00	1	0	0
Wages	17000	18283.34	25038	8038	
Recycling Services	11000	14484.97	15000	4000	
Truck Repair	250	0.00	250	0	0
Telephone	400	395.21	400	0	0
Supplies	400	176.24	400	0	0
Electricity	1600	1325.98	1600	0	0
Fuel Oil	150	106.00	200	50	
Building Repair/Maint	1000	148.59	1000	0	0
Seminars	200	69.65	200	0	0
Total	32001	34989.98	44089	12088	
Solid Waste Disposal					
Co-op Fee Ash Disposal	32500	26862.78	28000	-4500	

	2001 Appropriated	2001 Spent	2002 Appropriated	(+/-)	Encumbered
Health					
Animal Control	600	35.00	100	-500	
Health Agencies					
Hospital	700	700.00	700	0	
Penacook Rescue	21000	20824.00	21000	0	
Belmont Rescue	5000	5000.00	5000	0	
Total	26700	26524	26700	0	
Welfare					
Welfare Administrator			3000	3000	
Direct Assistance	3000	4854.22	3000	0	
Aid/Disabled VNA	1000	1000.00	1000	0	
Comm Action Program	1549	1549.00	1704	155	
Total	5549	7403.22	8704	3155	
Library					
Wages	25500	25542.03	28000	2500	
Insurance	6957	6902.40	8870	1913	
Maintenance Repairs	1659	726.15	1659	0	
Books/Mags/Tapes	6483	7042.25	6883	400	
Programs			500	500	
Dues/Meetings/Education	630	1309.11	130	-500	
Telephone	600	777.27	600	0	
Electricity	1040	815.20	800	-240	
Postage	100	134.32	100	0	
Equipment Supplies	1500	1535.73	4000	2500	
Total	44469	44784.46	51542	7073	

	2001 Appropriated	2001 Spent	2002 Appropriated	(+/-)	Encumbered
Historic District Comm					
Secretary Wages	250	0.00	250	0	0
Postage	50	10.50	50	0	0
Printing	100	47.15	100	0	0
Total	400	57.65	400	0	0
Economic Development					
Website/Legal/Signs	500	40.78	500	0	0
Parks & Recreation					
Repairs	200	0.00	200	0	0
Equipment	800	64.55	800	0	0
Total	1000	64.55	1000	0	0
Patriotic Purposes					
Memorial Day	100	96.84	100	0	0
Fourth of July	1000	1117.90	1500	500	500
Total	1100	1214.74	1600	500	500
Conservation Commission					
Dues	150	150.00	150	0	0
Postage	40	47.80	40	0	0
Printing & Advertising	30	0.00	30	0	0
Supplies	230	587.86	230	0	0
Professional Services	300	300.00	300	0	0
Total	750	1085.66	750	0	0
Historical Society					
Preservation Expense	500	568.00	1000	500	500
Misc. Supplies	100	0.00	100	0	0
Total	600	568.00	1100	500	500

	2001	2001	2002	(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated		
Health Officer					
Gasoline & Oil	100	0.00	100	0	0
Seminars	100	0.00	100	0	0
Total	200	0	200	0	0
Total Expenses					
	855011	760615.09	942351	87340	
Debt Services					
Principal Fire Truck	34000	34000.00	34000	0	0
Interest Fire Truck	3802.22	3714.02	1895.97	-1906.25	
Interest / Fees			6000	6000	
Tax Anticipation Note	3000	0.00	3000	0	0
FICA	27000	20699.95	30000	3000	3000
Insurance	27000	24956.27	27000	0	0
Sub Total	949813.22	843985.33	1044246.97	94433.75	
Operating Transfers Out					
Highway Truck	5000	5000.00	5000	0	0
Highway Grader	5000	5000.00	5000	0	0
Highway Equipment	5000	5000.00	5000	0	0
Library	25000	25000.00	25000	0	0
Rescue Equipment	5000	5000.00	5000	0	0
Fire Apparatus	5000	5000.00	5000	0	0
Conservation Commission			20000	20000	
Total	50000	50000	70000	20000	20000
Operating					
Budget Total	999813.22	893985.33	1114246.97	114433.75	

	2001		2002		(+/-)	Encumbered
	Appropriated	Spent	Appropriated			
Warrant Articles						
Library Land	0	18338.00				
Septic System	0	535.57				
Highway Plows	0	10000.00				
Fire Dept-Vehicle Repairs	4900	4900.00				
Fire Dept-Generator	4800	4742.55				35000.00
Town Hall Renovations	35000	0.00				
Recycling - Trailer	3500	5110.00				
Police Dept-Cruiser/SUV	30000	29920.83				
Building Review	4000	315.30				
Highway Truck	51743	51743.00				3684.70
Library Addition				681,800		
Highway Grader				118,050		
Road Construction				66,000		
Assessing Software				10000		
Highway Mechanic Tools				5000		
GIS Mapping				4200		
Building Review				80000		
Refurbish 53-MI				35000		
SCBA's/PASS System				7300		
Total	133943	125605.25	1007350.00			
Total with						
Warrant Articles	1133756.22	1019590.58				
Merrimack County Tax		315320.00				
Shaker Regional Tax		1098231.00				
Refunds		21390.11				
Tax Collector - Sales		0.00				
Grand Total	2454531.69					

**MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING
FIRST SESSION
MARCH 16, 2001**

Wayne Mann, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

Necessary town officers for the year ensuing were chosen by ballot and the Town voted on zoning amendments (by official ballot) proposed by the Planning Board.

2001 Ballot

Board of Selectmen: 1 position 3 years

Jim Bassett 208

Shelley Wheeler 41

Treasurer: 1 position 1 year

Mary F. Witschonke 244

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: 1 position 3 years

Cheryl A. Gordon 247

Planning Board: 2 positions 3 years

Brian Kilrain 223

Ken Stern 204

Library Trustee: 4 positions 3 years

John S. Bouton 227

E. Charles Sanborn 223

Marcia Scarponi 215

Judy Nelson 33

Cemetery Committee: 1 position 3 years

Virginia W. Dudley

Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 position 3 years

John Evans 2

**Results of 2001
Proposed Zoning Changes**

Question 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by citizen petition? This amendment allows landowners to petition the Board of Adjustment to grant a special exception to allow the permitted uses of one of the zones on the lot to become the uses for the entire lot. (Not recommended by the Planning Board 6-1.)

Yes 51

No 206

Question 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment gives the board the power to impose impact fees. (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

Yes 178

No 79

SECOND SESSION (Business Portion)

The adjourned Town Meeting was reconvened at 7:00 p.m. on Friday March 16, 2001. A review of the ground rules was presented. The salute to the flag was lead by representatives from Canterbury's Boy Scouts.

The 2000 Annual Town Report was dedicated to Jim and Nola Stokes who have actively participated and generously contributed to Canterbury. The moderator referred to the cover of the Town Report depicting town stores that have operated as an integral part of the Town since 1793.

The moderator read the results of the balloting from the first session of the Town Meeting held on Tuesday, March 13, 2001.

Article 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand Dollars (\$750,000) for the expansion and renovation to Elkins Public Library and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) from the Library reserve fund created for this purpose; with the balance of six hundred seventy-five thousand (\$675,000) to be raised by taxation. Two-thirds vote required. (By Ballot) **Not recommended by the selectmen.**

John Pratt moved the adoption of this article. Charles DeGrace seconded.

John Bouton, Library Trustee, spoke to this article summarizing the proposed plans of the expansion of the library. Responding to questions raised at last year's town meeting, specifically related to the size and the cost, this year's building committee has worked diligently to modify plans and tackle those areas. As a result of a survey, a majority felt that the size and location of the library were suitable, but the parking and the cost were issues. The building committee came up with a way to triple the parking, but they were unable to lower the cost. John Bouton spoke in favor of this article, emphasizing the importance of the library to the community.

Ted West, Chairman of the Building Committee, presented the plans for the proposed Elkins Library addition, explaining the layout of the library.

Brian Collins inquired as to why the selectmen did not recommend this article. Mike Capone, Selectman, explained that the selectmen opposed the bond for the same reasons as last year. The prevailing reason is still the uncertainty of school funding and the potential impact to the tax rate.

Harold Streeter was opposed to the article because as an historically important building, an addition should not be added to the library.

Ginny Litalien spoke in favor of the article stating that a library has an all-inclusive usefulness that spans generations.

Chuck Sanborn, a Library Trustee as well as a trustee for the Historical Society, supported the addition to the library stating that the town needs a place to make records more easily accessible.

After considerable discussion, Hank Turco made a motion to end the debate and move to the question. Cheryl Gordon seconded the motion.

As a 2/3-ballot vote was required for this article, the polls were declared open for one hour. There were 287 ballots cast. Article 3 was defeated by a vote of 183 yes, 104 no.

Article 4.

To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Ronald Magoon moved the adoption of this article. John Temchack seconded.

Michael Capone, on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, acknowledged the contributions of Kathy Dickson during her many years of employment with the town, and Cheryl Gordon who has served as Town Clerk/Tax Collector for 20 years.

Michael Capone, Chairman of the Board of Selectman, then went over the budget item by item explaining the increases and decreases.

Jim Miller questioned the higher appropriation for heating oil for 2001. M. Capone explained that the appropriation was increased so that when we have the opportunity to prepay for the fuel at the lower rate, there will be enough money in the budget. Charlie Cook wanted to know why the installation of the fuel tanks went over last year's budgeted appropriation. M. Capone explained that the installation of the tanks required a specific type of underground wiring for safety reasons, which was more costly than anticipated.

The question was moved and the motion to accept the operating budget in the amount of **\$1,000,313.33** was passed unanimously.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt an exemption for the disabled. The exemption, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers shall be thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.) To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years and own and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) or if married a combined net income of not more than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000;) and own net assets not in excess of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) excluding the value of the person's residence. **Recommended by the selectmen.**

John Temchack moved the adoption of Article 5. Ronald Magoon seconded.

Priscilla Lockwood, Selectman, spoke in favor of the adoption of this article.

Article 5 was voted on and passed unanimously.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-one thousand seven hundred forty-three dollars (\$51,743) for the purchase of a dump truck and authorize the withdrawal of twenty-nine thousand seven hundred forty dollars (\$29,740) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve fund and the amount of ten thousand four hundred thirty one

dollars (\$10,431) from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of eleven thousand five hundred seventy-two dollars (\$11,572) is to come from general taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen.

Cheryl Gordon moved the adoption of this article. John Temchack seconded.

Mike Capone explained that an all-wheel drive truck outfitted with a plow and sander body is replacing the ten-year old dump truck.

A vote was taken on Article 6 and passed unanimously.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to repair and renovate the Town Hall.

Recommended by the Selectmen.

Priscilla Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. Cheryl Gordon seconded.

Frank Tupper, Selectmen, addressed the concerns for renovations needed for the Town Hall. The roof is in need of immediate repair.

Mike Capone, Selectmen, recommended raising funds to repair and renovate the Town Hall so that it can once again be used for meetings and other Town functions. Money is needed to save an historic building and improvements are needed to keep with the historic nature of the Town Hall while making it ADA compliant. The total estimate for necessary renovations is \$70,000. If the Town approves the appropriation of \$35,000, we can then apply to the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program for the possibility of matching funds. It is not a guarantee, but we have met the eligibility criteria and a final application will be submitted based on the outcome of this article. Mike Capone spoke in favor of the \$35,000 appropriation stating that we will at least have enough money to save the Town Hall from further deterioration. The Town Hall should be utilized more, but the use is limited due to lack of facilities.

Heidi Dustin, Pack Master for the Boy Scouts, spoke in favor of this article.

Priscilla Lockwood spoke in favor; the Town Hall should be used once again for voting.

Olivia Henry spoke in favor of this article. Renovating the Town Hall would create more space for committee meetings and it could be rented out for bigger events in the Town.

Hugh Fifield stated that the Town has been talking about repairing the Town Hall for 25 years; it was time to go ahead with the renovations.

The question was moved by John Leggett and seconded by Cheryl Gordon. A vote was then taken on Article 7 and passed unanimously.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) for the purchase of a utility trailer to be used for recycling plastics at the Town Recycling Center.
Recommended by the Selectmen.

Chuck DeGrace moved the adoption of this article. Cheryl Gordon seconded.

Frank Tupper explained that the recycling committee would like to implement the process of recycling plastics at the Town Recycling Center and they wish to purchase an 8 1/2 x 12-foot trailer with a cage for this purpose.

Linda Chynoweth Peters of the Recycling Committee spoke in favor of this article stating that they are looking at the most cost-effective way to continue recycling efforts in Canterbury. They initially looked at a plastic granulator, but it was too costly. Then they found local recycling centers that would be willing to take the plastics with the least amount of efforts. If appropriated, the \$3,500 can be offset with a grant for up to 50% from America the Beautiful.

John Leggett voted to move the question. It was seconded and passed.

A vote was taken on Article 8 and passed unanimously

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the purchase of a four-wheel drive cruiser to replace the 1995 cruiser. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

Al Edelstein moved the adoption of this article. Doug Russwick seconded.

Mike Capone, Selectman, addressed this article stating that the Police Department requested a vehicle with more utilities and better range and the selectmen took their recommendations to secure a four-wheel drive vehicle. Given a special rate through the State of NH Department of Revenue they were able to get a six-passenger, four-wheel drive Chevy Tahoe for \$26,077. The additional money appropriated is to outfit the vehicle with a roof rack and a radio.

John Evans asked if a four-wheel drive vehicle would increase maintenance and fuel costs.

Larry Phillips, part-time police officer in Canterbury, stated that the cost of a four-wheel drive vehicle is comparable to cost of a regular cruiser.

Dale Caswell, Fire Chief, spoke in favor of this article stating that the police cruiser which is equipped with a defibrillator is usually the first responder to accident scenes. A four-wheel drive vehicle would be more easily accessible.

Nat Witschonke spoke against the passage of this article.

John Jordan spoke in favor of this article.

Article 9 was voted on and passed.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand four hundred dollars (\$6,400) to digitize the Town Tax Maps. **Not recommended by the Selectmen.**

Jim Snyder moved the adoption of this article. Al Edelstein seconded.

Mike Capone stated that to digitize the town tax maps would require additional software and the selectmen would like to research the process further before spending the money at this time.

A vote was taken on Article 10 and defeated.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand nine hundred dollars (\$4,900) for repairs to make improvements to 53 W-1, the 5 ton forestry vehicle. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

Al Edelstein moved the adoption of this article. Doug Russwick seconded.

Dale Caswell, Fire Chief, addressed the article stating that the Fire Department uses the 1958 five-ton forestry vehicle as a water supply at the many forest fires that are reported to in Canterbury and surrounding towns. He spoke in favor of this article stating that the Fire Department would be doing most of the improvements to the truck themselves, with the exception of the fabrication needed.

A vote was taken on Article 11 and passed.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800) for the purchase of a generator to be used during power outages. **Not recommended by the Selectmen.**

Al Edelstein moved the adoption of this article. Doug Russwick seconded.

Frank Tupper stated that the Selectmen did not support this article because the Fire Department has two generators presently and they did not feel they needed another one.

Dale Caswell, Emergency Management Director, spoke in favor of this article. The two generators that the Fire Department is in possession of operate the equipment that is on board the pumper trucks. If they are without power, they cannot get the fuel for the town-owned trucks. Also, there is a need for a generator when they have to shelter people from the elderly housing complex during power outages. The 10,000-watt generator would give them the flexibility to provide the needs they have.

Tom Drew spoke in favor of the purchase of a generator and having the capability to set up the school building in an emergency.

Briggs Lockwood spoke against the article; he did not feel the Town needed another generator.

A vote was taken on Article 12 and passed by a majority voice vote.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to establish a committee to review Town building needs. This committee, appointed by the Town Moderator will review town building needs and make recommendations to the Selectmen regarding repairs, renovations or replacement of town buildings. The sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) will be appropriated for use by the committee, if required, for professional services to assist in this review.

Recommended by the Selectmen.

Al Edelstein moved the adoption of Article 13. Doug Russwick seconded.

Mike Capone stated that as suggested in the 1998 Plan for Tomorrow, it seemed appropriate to establish a committee to review the Town's building needs and make recommendations.

Laurie Rauseo spoke in favor of this article. She moved to amend the article to include "expansions" of town buildings and to increase the appropriation to \$10,000. The motion was seconded to amend.

Priscilla Lockwood spoke against the amendment to increase the appropriation to \$10,000. Additional appropriations will increase your tax bill.

Doris Hampton wished to amend the amendment to include "expansions" of town buildings, but leave the appropriation at \$4,000. The motion was seconded to amend. The amendment passed to include "expansions."

A vote was then taken on the amendment to raise the appropriation to \$10,000 and was defeated.

A vote was taken on Article 13 as amended to include "expansions" of town buildings and was passed.

Article 14.

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

Cynthia Olson commended the road crew for the great job they have done on the Canterbury roads.

Mike Capone updated the townspeople with regard to the selection of Canterbury for an ash/solid waste dumpsite. Franklin will be handling ash up until the year 2015.

Mike Capone informed the Town that the State plans to do some upgrading of Kimball Pond Road in the Spring.

Mike Capone and Frank Tupper expressed their appreciation to Priscilla Lockwood for the many years that she has served as selectman.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Dickson for

Cheryl Gordon, Town Clerk

THE MS-6 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

IS A DRAFT VERSION

AT THE TIME THE TOWN REPORT WENT TO PRESS,

THE TOWN WAS AWAITING COMPLETION

OF THE 2001 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT

UPDATED VERSION WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

AT THE SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
for the Ensuing Year

	Prior Year as approved by <u>DRA</u>	Prior Year as approved by <u>DRA</u>	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
General Government				
Executive	61705	58832	65705	
Election, Registration and Vitals	21800	2200	21800	
Financial Administration	31650	31358	31650	
Revaluation of Property	3000	7506	5000	
Legal Expenses	7000	7055	7500	
Employee Benefits ~ <i>FICA</i>	27000	20700	27000	
Planning and Zoning	9000	6198	10450	
General Government Buildings	18735	18254	18735	
Cemeteries	9050	6315	9050	
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	27000	24956	27000	
Advertising and Regional Assoc.,	3415	3417	3415	
Public Safety				
Police Department	145974	138166	167355	
Ambulance	25000	25000	26000	
Fire Department	51738	51772	59645	
Building Inspection	3250	3168	3650	
Emergency Management	1	0	0	

Highways and Streets				
Administration	183892	144720	186736	
Highways & Streets	95000	83456	115000	
Bridges	1500	0	1500	
Street Lighting	1100	1465	1950	
Sanitation				
Administration	30101	31053	32001	
Solid Waste Disposal	32500	30101	32500	
Health				
Health Administration	200	0	200	
Pest Control	250	655	600	
Health Agencies & Hospitals	700	500	700	
Welfare				
Administration & Direct Assist	5549	5469	5549	
Intergovernmental Welfare Paymts	0	0	0	
Culture and Recreation				
Parks and Recreation	1000	40	1000	
Library	40169	38224	44469	
Patriotic Purposes	1000	1443	1100	
Other Cultural & Recreation	1000	786	1000	

Conservation				
Admin & Purch of Nat Resources	750	687	750	750
Economic Development				
	500	140	500	500
Debt Service				
Principal of Long-Term Debt	34000	34000	34000	34000
Interest Exp - Long-Term Debt	5690	5688	5688	3803
Tax Anticipation Notes	3000	0	3000	3000
Capital Outlay				
Land	35000	0		
Machinery, Vehicles & Equip	32200	26346		
Buildings	16000	15464		
Operating Transfers Out				
To Special Revenue Fund				
To Capital Projects Fund				
To Enterprise Funds				
Sewer, Water & Electric				
To Capital Reserve Fund	70000	70000	70000	50000
To Exp. Trust Fund				
To Health Maint - Trust Funds				
To Nonexpendable Trust Funds				
To Agency Funds				
Subtotal I	1024587	912845	1000313	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of each of the line total for the ensuing year

Account #	Warr Art #	Amount	Account #	Warr Art #	Amount
4902	00-10	16000			
4902	00-11	6200			
4902	00-13	10000			

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Acct #	Purpose of Appropriations	Warr Art. #	Appropriations Expenditures App by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4903	Elkins Library Renov.	01-3				675000

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

4902	Vehicle Repairs	01-11			4900	
4902	Generator	01-12			4800	4800
4194	Town Hall Renovations	01-7			35000	
4323	Recycling Trailer	01-8			3500	
4210	Police 4 X 4 Cruiser	01-9			30000	
4909	Building Review	01-13			4000	
4191	Digitize Tax Maps	01-10				6400
4311	Highway Truck	01-6			11572	

Subtotal 3 Recommended

XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX

Acct #	Source of Revenue	Warr #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Tax				
3180	Resident Tax				
3185	Timber Tax		30000	9628	30000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		5000	10344	7000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Int & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		50000	17431	40000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cy)		1000	277	1000
3188	Excavation Activity Tax		1800	0	1800
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business, Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		250000	283310	250000
3230	Building Permits		5000	4300	3500
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees				
3311-					
3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		40000	15910	9943
3352	Meals & Room Tax Distribution		20000	42177	4217
3353	Highway Block Grant		59900	63324	63324
3354	Water Pollution Grant		-	-	-

3355	Housing & Community Dev.	-	-	-	-
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimb	300	1866	-	452
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	-	-	-	-
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	-	-	-	-
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	20000	68351	-	20000
3401-3406	Income from Departments	-	-	-	-
3409	Other Charges	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	-	-	-	-
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	20000	33883	-	20000
3502	Interest on Investments	6000	4337	-	6000
3503-3509	Other	-	-	-	-

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

3912	From Special Revenue Funds	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3913	From Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-
3914	From Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-
	Sewer – (Offset)	-	-	-	-
	Water – (Offset)	-	-	-	-
	Electric – (Offset)	-	-	-	-
	Airport – (Offset)	-	-	-	-
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	-	-	-	-
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-
	OTHER FINANCING SOURSES	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds/Notes	-	-	-	-

Amounts VOTED from F/B (“Surplus”) Fund Baland (“Surplus”) to Reduce Taxes	511600	497406
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		556454

BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1000313	
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	-	
SUBTOTAL 3 “Individual” Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	93772	
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1094085	
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above, column 6)	497406	
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raises	596679	

**REVENUE TO OFFSET
2002 BUDGET**

	Estimated 2001	Actual 2001	Estimated 2002
TAXES			
Yield Tax	\$30,000	\$18,218.40	\$21,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	\$40,000	\$16,160.03	\$15,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$7,000	\$11,754.00	\$4,877
Excavation Tax \$0.2 per CY	\$300	\$275.58	\$300
Excavation Activity Tax	\$128	\$128	\$128
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - STATE			
Shared Revenues	\$9,953	\$15,910.00	\$9,953
Meals & Rooms Tax	\$42,177	\$51,558.64	\$51,559
Highway Block Grant	\$63,324	\$67,827.91	\$67,828
Reimb. State Fed Forest Land	\$452	\$716.43	\$392
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$250,000	\$304,252.50	\$285,000
Building Permit Fees	\$3,500	\$5,897.10	\$3,500
Other Lic. Permits & Fees	\$5,000	\$6,235.00	\$6,500
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	\$20,000	\$44,942.24	\$30,000
MISC. REVENUES			
Interest on Deposits	\$20,000	\$34,697.38	\$25,000
Recycling	\$6,000	\$1,999.47	\$5,500
Total	\$529,556	\$580,572.68	\$572,658
Appropriations Recommended			\$1,132,166.97
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended			\$1,021,650.00
Total Appropriations Recommended			\$2,153,816.97
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits			\$572,658
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be raised:			\$1,581,158.97

Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire

Balance Sheet

December 31, 2001

Assets

Cash & Investments in hands of

Treasurer:

Cash in Checking	1,240,551.68	
Conservation Land Fund	74,476.68	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	251,203.92	1,556,232.28

Cash in hands of Selectmen, Payroll Acct 19,060.42

Capital Reserve Funds (*estimated
balances*):

Highway Equipment	5,638.96	
Highway Trucks	5,316.43	
Revaluation	1,726.39	
Dump Transfer Station	39,957.79	
Road Grader	47,746.79	
Library Building	108,943.10	
Conservation Lands	20,871.43	
Fire Apparatus	10,330.78	
Rescue/EMS Apparatus	10,330.78	250,862.45

Uncollected Taxes:

Levies of 2000	288,466.18	
Levies of prior years	7.14	

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levies of 1999	23,728.93	
Levies of 1998	8,261.37	
Levies of prior years	9,524.59	
Allowance for uncollectable taxes	(75,000.00)	254,988.21

Due from Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds 3,500.00

Due from Lucia Elkins S & W Poor 1,854.22

260,342.43
2,086,497.58

Liabilities and Equity

Encumbrances:

Art. 99/10 Library Land Purchase	35,000.00	
Art. 00/13 Snow Plows & Plow Wings	10,000	
4-H Donation for Patriotic Purposes	531.55	45,531.55
NHIS Youth Fund		2,842.06
Conservation Land Fund		74,476.68
Due to School District		1,083,335.00
Capital Reserve Funds		250,832.43
		<u>1,457,017.72</u>
Unreserved Fund Balance		629,479.86
		<u>2,086,497.58</u>

TOWN OF CANTERBURY
LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS
STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

December 31, 2001

FIRE TRUCK BOND

Rate of Interest	5.5%
Amount of Original Issue	\$170,000.00
Date of Original Issue	2/9/97
Principal payment date	February 7
Interest payment date	February 7
Payable at :	Citizens Bank, New Hampshire

MATURITIES

Fiscal Ending Year	Principal	Interest
December 31, 2001	34,000.00	3802.33
December 31, 2002	34,000.00	1895.97

TOWN OF CANTERBURY SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

Land	1,136,552
Residential Buildings	77,436,608
Commercial/Industrial	543,100
Public Utilities	1,864,500
Total Gross Valuation	80,980,760
Less Elderly Exemptions	190,000
Solar Exemptions	105,560
Blind Exemptions	30,000
Physically Handicapped Exemptions	0
Net Valuations on which the tax rate for Municipal County & Local Education tax is computed:	105,252,718
Less Public Utilities	1,864,500
Net Valuation on which the State Education Tax is computed:	103,388,218
Loss due to Veteran's Exemptions	12,900
Loss due to Total Disability	0
Town Tax Rate	4.91
County Rate	2.98
School Tax Rate	13.66
State Education Tax	7.20
	28.75
Current Use Land	
No. of acres granted for Current Use Exemption	19,246.59

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and buildings	208,500
Furniture and equipment	500
Library land and buildings	135,200
Furniture and equipment	100,000
Police Department Building	32,500
Contents	500
Highway Garage/Fire Station	306,000
Contents	4,000
Historical Building	89,000
Contents	20,000
Sam Lake House, land and buildings	138,600
Contents	10,000
Town Dump, land and improvements	85,500
Salt Shed Building	25,000
Brick and Wood Frame Bandstand	12,800

Tax Map/Lot	Location	
04.021.002	Industrial Site	
14.017	Worsted Church Lot	74,400
15.007	Maple Grove Cemetery	66,000

LAND OWNED BY THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

04.008	L/O e/s Intervale Road	42,100
04.015	L/O w/s Intervale Road (Gift)	1,100
07.046	L/O off e/s Borough Road	24,500
08.026.005	North West Road (Conservation Easement)	6,900
08.020	L/O e/s Route 132	10,500
08.038.002	L/O w/s Kimball Pond Road	43,200
08.041	L/O Kimball Pond (Gift)	43,500
10.005	L/O e/s Briar Bush Road	52,400
11.014	L/O e/s Abbott Road	40,800
11.027.001	L/O s/s Baptist Road	5,600
11.031	L/O off Baptist Road	22,600
11.032	L/O off Baptist Road	14,100
11.035	L/O s/s Baptist Road	19,600
11.033	L/O off s/s Baptist Road	28,800
12.016	L/O Whitney Hill Road	21,600
12.020	L/O Spender Meadow	11,300
12.027	L/O Spender Meadow	13,900
13.007	L/O e/s Misery Road	45,100
15.013	L /O e/s Abberton Road (Gift)	7,900
16.015	L/O e/s Whitney Hill Road	26,900

17.004.002	L/O off Route 106, Rocky Pond	2,600
17.004.007	L/O off Route 106	17,000
17.001.010	L/O off Route 106	5,650
17.004.011	L/O off Route 106	4,300
17.004.012	L/O off Route 106	4,300
17.004.014	L/O off Route 106	31,400
21.017	L/O w/s Shoestring Road	403,800

LAND ACQUIRED THROUGH TAX DEEDS:

01.004.001	L/O n/s Intervale Road	3,800
01.011	L/O n/s Intervale Road T/L	100
01.012	L/O n/s Intervale Road T/L	300
02.001	L/O Shore of New Pond	4,700
02.022	L/O Canterbury Shore Drive	4,700
02.133	L/O Friar Tuck Road	4,700
02.137	L/O Friar Tuck Road	4,700
02.141	L/O Friar Tuck Road	4,700
02.148	L/O Robin Shore Drive	4,700
02.150	L/O Robin Shore Drive	4,700
02.334	L/O Island New Pond	4,400
02.335	L/O Island New Pond	3,200
02.231	L/O Canterbury Shore Drive	4,700
02.252	L/O Nottingham Road	4,700
02.288	L/O Nottingham Road	4,700
02.318	L/O Blue Boar Lane	800
02.204	L/O Canterbury Shore Drive	4,700
02.152	L/O Robin Shore Drive	4,700
02.333.002	Flowage & Dam Rights	2,500
09.035.001	L/O n/s Old School Road	300
10.015.001	L/O 340 Baptist Hill Road	32,600
18.002	L/O e/s Route 106, Shaw Road	800
20.004.024	L/O Open Space	1,700
20.004.023	L/O Open Space	2,800
20.004.022	L/O Open Space	2,700
20.004.021	L/O Open Space	3,900
20.004.027	L/O Open Space	2,100
20.004.026	L/O Open Space	1,700
20.004.028	L/O Open Space	1,600
20.004.025	L/O Open Space	1,700

Treasurer's Report
2001

NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL
Balance December 31, 2001

General Fund	251,203.92
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PATRIOTIC ACCOUNT
Balance December 31, 2001

General Fund	427.44
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CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCOUNT
Balance December 31, 2001

General Fund	56,258.28
Deposit in Transit	18,218.40
Total	<hr/> 74,476.68

TREASURER'S REPORT

2001

Tax Collector	3,097,318.99
Town Clerk	307,672.00
Municipal Agent	6235.00
NH Highway Subsidy	67,827.91
NH Forest Reimbursement	716.43
NH Revenue Sharing	15,910.00
NH Rooms & Meals Tax	51,588.64
Current Use Fees	70.00
Building Permit & Renewal	5897.10
Pistol Permits	130.00
ZBA Fees	943.13
Building & Zoning Ordinances	340.75
Gift in Lieu of Taxes	11,754.00
Planning Board Fees	2,306.00
Interest on Investments	33,740.79
Police Reports	560.57
Other Income	64,119.60
Recycled Waste	1,999.47
Transfer Station Fees	8,040.00
Health Insurance Reimbursement	11,933.29
Police Subcontractors	30,150.00
Burial Permits	1,500.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS 2001	3,720,753.67
LESS:	
Selectmen's Orders Paid	3,256,301.15
Capital Reserve	50,000.00
County Tax	315,320.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	3,621,621.15
Balance on Hand 12/31/01	1,240,551.68

**TOWN OF CANTERBURY
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT 2001**

Auto Permits & Postage	\$304,252.50
Municipal Agent Fees	\$6235.00
Dog Licenses	\$2985.50
Marriage Licenses	\$381.00
Vital Records	\$53.00
Total	<u>\$313907.00</u>

Cheryl A. Gordon
Town Clerk

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

This past year was one of ever-increasing activity at the Town offices. The growth of the Town, as well as the demands of additional reporting requirements from the State, has kept Jan and Carol very busy and we are very grateful for all of their hard work and dedication.

The Board of Selectmen has been busy as well. Earlier this year we hired our new Police Chief, Gwen Deurell. She started in May and has been working very hard to reenergize our Police Department by hiring new officers as well as implementing policies and procedures to improve the level of service the Department can provide to the Town.

The Board also worked with the Conservation Commission to help fill a number of vacancies and provide input on conservation goals and objectives for the Town.

The Board has reviewed and updated a number of the welfare guidelines in an effort to handle the increase in welfare activity more efficiently. Our thanks to Jan for all of her hard work in the day-to-day administration of this very important task.

The Board has submitted an application to LCHIP for funds to assist in the renovation of the Town Hall. If received, these funds would be used in addition to those already appropriated to begin repairs and renovations to the Town Hall this year.

Among the many other projects in Town with which the Board has been involved are a review of the policy regarding the issue of building on Class VI roads, future enhancements to the Recycling Center and the development of the Town Industrial Site at Exit 18.

At the regional level, the Board continues to actively participate in the New Hampshire International Speedway Traffic Control Committee and the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission. We also continue to work with the Concord Regional Solid Waste Cooperative, which has purchased land in Town for the possible construction of an ash/trash landfill. This past year a gate was constructed to limit motor vehicle access to the area in an effort to eliminate illegal dumping and unauthorized access to the site. Although there are no plans for the

development of this site in the short term, the Board continues to communicate with the COOP on a quarterly basis to keep ahead of future development at the site.

2001 was a challenging year for all of us. The events of September 11 served to reinforce the fact that the world can be a dangerous place. While we cannot ignore that fact it is also important to realize that we all need to do our part to make the world a better place. The best place to start is right here in our Town by working together to continue to keep Canterbury the unique and wonderful community that it is. Our thanks and our gratitude go out to all who work toward that goal. Thanks for all of your help and best wishes for 2002.

Respectfully submitted:

Michael R. Capone, Chairman
Frank A. Tupper
James P. Bassett



Cheryl A. Gordon, Tax Collector For The Town of Canterbury, N.H.

Summary of Tax Warrants

For the Year Ending December 31, 2001

	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	LEVY OF	LEVY OF	LEVY OF	LEVY OF
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning				
Property Taxes		291,910.25		
Land Use		3,820.00		
Yield Taxes		8,397.28		
Interest		49.43		
Penalties - Other Taxes			15.50	
Other Charges				

Taxes Committed This Year

Property Taxes #3110	3,004,025.91	1,677.60		
Land Use Change #3120	24,211.00			
Yield Taxes	19,764.75			
Excavation Tax #3188	272.58			

Overpayment

Property Taxes	4,285.00			
Collect. Int. - Late Taxes #3190	9,929.88	1.50		
Penalties - Other Taxes	536.00			
Costs Before Lien #3190	2,215.00			

Total Debits	3,050,547.27	319,376.37	17.00	
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Remitted to Treasurer

Property Taxes	2,769,398.13	198,844.54	
Land Use Change	19,881.00		
Yield Taxes	18,479.51	6,511.21	
Excavation Tax	272.58		
Interest	2,268.28	4,654.50	
Penalties - Other Taxes		519.75	
Conversion to Lien		87,849.82	
Cost not Liened			375.50

Abatements Made

Property Taxes	573.57	13,903.27	
Land Use Change Tax		1,750.00	
Interest	3.43		
Current Levy Deeded	2,067.00	977.00	

Uncollected Taxes #1080

Property Taxes	231,987.21	3,015.82	7.14
Land Use Change Tax	4,330.00		
Yield Taxes	1,285.24		
Interest	1.32		
Penalties - Other Taxes			15.50
Other Charges			

Total Credits 3,050,547.27 318,025.91 22.64 375.50

Cheryl A. Gordon, Tax Collector For The Town of Canterbury, N.H.
 Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
 For the Year Ending December 31, 2001

	TOTAL	LEVY OF 2000	LEVY OF 1999	LEVY OF 1998	LEVY OF 1997
Unredeemed Liens – Beginning of Year	75,188.09		37,500.54	23,266.16	14,359.29
Liens Executed during year	87,811.30	87,752.23			121.18
Interest & Cost	10,511.98	1,788.85	2,015.54	4,505.06	2,202.53
Total	173,511.37	89,541.08	39,516.07	27,771.22	16,683.00
Redemptions	73,203.45	43,147.24	11,985.99	14,311.70	3,758.52
Interest & Costs #3190	8,765.92	1,661.65	2,015.54	2,886.20	2,202.53
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	629.53	323.39	37.02	269.12	
Liens deemed to Municipality	10,767.19	1,828.05	1,748.59	2,042.83	5,147.72
Unredeemed Lien Balance #1110	80,145.28	42,580.75	23,728.93	8,261.37	5,574.23
Total	173,511.37	89,541.08	39,516.07	27,771.22	16,683.00

Report of the Trust Funds, Summary of Principal, Income and Investments for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 2001

Name and Purpose of Trust	How Invested *	Principal			Income			Total Principal & Income			
		Balance at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains (Losses)	Withdrawals	Balance at End of Year	Balance at Beginning of Year		Income Expense	Balance at End of Year	
Nonexpendable Trusts:											
Benjamin Whidden - Cong Church	0564-0006	200.00				200.00	6.86	7.63	7.46	7.03	207.03
Lucia Elkins - Library Books	0564-0007	4,000.00				4,000.00	150.73	158.06	150.73	158.06	4,158.06
Lucia Elkins - Library Repairs	0564-0008	1,000.00				1,000.00	37.53	39.63	37.53	39.63	1,039.63
Frank Drew - Library Unrestricted	0564-0009	3,000.00				3,000.00	113.04	118.66	113.04	118.66	3,118.66
Arthur & Mary Mudge - Library	0564-0010	424.00				424.00	15.47	16.75	15.47	16.75	440.75
Perpetual Care - Cemetery Lots	0564-0017 &	26,125.00	750.00			26,875.00	11,660.33	1,063.33	3,619.91	9,103.75	35,978.75
Bow Mills Checking											
Cemetery Improvements	0564-0016	8,175.00	250.00			8,425.00	2,626.96	389.45		3,016.41	11,441.41
Lucia Elkins - S&W Poor	0564-0011	6,987.00				6,987.00	7,939.77	544.30		8,484.07	15,471.07
John Kezar - School District	0564-0012	3,702.10				3,702.10	139.52	146.53	139.52	146.53	3,848.63
Thompson Memorial	0564-0015	500.00				500.00	1,226.69	61.15	71.60	1,216.24	1,716.24
Benevolent Fund - Glasses/Dental	0564-0013	700.00				700.00	2,004.92	95.86		2,100.78	2,800.78
Canterbury Youth Fund	0564-0014	751.00				751.00	2,003.63	87.43		2,091.06	2,842.06
		55,564.10	1,000.00	-	-	56,564.10	27,925.43	2,728.78	-4,155.26	26,498.95	83,063.05

Name and Purpose of Trust	How Invested *	Principal			Income			Total Principal & Income		
		Balance at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains (Losses) With-drawals	Balance at End of Year	Balance at Beginning of Year	Income Expense		Balance at End of Year	
Expendable Trusts:										
Capital Reserve Funds										
Highway Equipment	0564-0003	21,445.35	5,000.00	21,445.35	5,000.00	8,294.85	638.76	8,294.65	638.96	5,638.96
Highway Trucks	0564-0004	10,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	431.09	316.34	431.00	316.43	5,316.43
Revaluation	0564-0021	-	-	-	-	1,667.71	58.68	-	1,726.39	1,726.39
Transfer Station	0564-0022	20,000.00	-	-	20,000.00	18,600.96	1,356.83	-	19,957.79	39,957.79
Road Grader	0564-0005	35,000.00	5,000.00	-	40,000.00	6,421.71	1,325.08	-	7,746.79	47,746.79
Library	0564-0002	75,000.00	25,000.00	-	100,000.00	5,340.70	3,572.38	-	8,913.08	108,943.10
Rescue Equipment	0564-0018	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	10,000.00	26.24	304.54	-	330.78	10,330.78
Fire Equipment	0564-0019	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	10,000.00	26.24	304.54	-	330.78	10,330.78
Conservation	0564-0020	20,000.00	-	-	20,000.00	54.40	817.03	-	871.43	20,871.43
		191,445.35	50,000.00	-	210,000.00	40,863.90	8,694.18	8,725.65	40,832.43	250,862.45
Totals		247,009.45	51,000.00	-	266,564.10	68,789.33	11,422.96	12,880.91	67,331.38	333,925.50

* How Invested: Numbers beginning 0564 are separate funds within the NH Public Deposit Investment Pool of MBIA Municipal Investors Service Corp.

Canterbury Historical Society Report

2001 was an active year for The Canterbury Historical Society. Through a series of programs, a newsletter and Houser Museum exhibits, Canterbury residents were offered opportunities to experience and celebrate aspects of our Town's and nation's past. These activities link the past, the present and future, and thereby promote Canterbury's unique and valued history and spirit of community. Programs included:

- a potluck supper and dance
- Canterbury's David Lamb speaking on growing up within the Shaker Community and his apprenticeship with Alejandro de la Cruz.
- Professor Jere Daniell from Dartmouth College on New Hampshire in the Revolutionary War.
- Kenneth Olson on New Hampshire covered bridges.
- Canterbury's Linda Weiser, who took us inside life at Hackleboro Orchard with her program, "My Life With Apples".
- The Monday Night Singers with a wonderful program of Christmas music through the ages.
- A summer Fiddler's Picnic hosted by Canterbury's Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki that attracted about one hundred people on a Sunday afternoon for good music, good food and good fellowship.

We deeply appreciated these individuals sharing their experiences and insights with our community.

The CHS also happily sponsored the wonderful and informative "The Canterbury Fair, 1959-1999" written by Bob Lockwood with assistance from Priscilla Lockwood, Olly and Mary Ellen Fifield, Jim and Nancy Lilly and Sewell Smith. In addition, new resources for the archival collection were accessioned, and we continued collecting and organizing newspaper clippings of Canterbury events and people. Also, thanks to Duffey Batchelder, Stuart Fifield, Olly Fifield, John Fife, Tad Flagg and Phil Stone there is a new railing leading down to the Houser Museum from the Town Garage parking lot.

Looking ahead to next year, the CHS is developing programs to expand the visibility of the Society in the community, to establish a closer working relationship with the Canterbury Elementary School, and to expand the use of the Houser Museum and archival resources.

Many thanks to the Trustees, the many volunteers and friends who devote boundless insight, energy and time to the CHS to help make it a vital and vibrant organization that preserves and promotes Canterbury's rich history and special spirit.

E. Charles Sanborn
President



Cemetery Trustees Report

We were quite unfortunate this past summer when the grounds keeper, Bill McAllister gave his notice at the end of June. Bill left this position to dedicate all his time to his business. Thank you Bill.

Bill left the cemeteries in great condition for the next person to take over. Phil and his crew kept things going the rest of the summer. Thank you Phil, John and Tad.

There is a lot of work to maintain the cemeteries. Maple Grove and the Center Cemetery are kept mowed all summer long. There are 27 additional cemeteries scattered throughout the Town that are cleared and mowed at least once during the season.

It seems harder and harder to find help today to do physical labor, I won't go any further, but if anyone is interested in maintaining the cemeteries please see Phil Stone, Road Agent.

One of our next improvements to Maple Grove Cemetery is to finish the road repairs on the north side.

Respectfully submitted

Hugh Fifield
Regina Lamprey
Virginia Dudley



Elkins Library 2001 Report

The year 2001 saw a slight decrease in the numbers of books, audiotapes, videotapes, and magazines that circulated. The staff and trustees felt that the decrease was due to the severe overcrowding of all our resources. But our patronage increased with 175 new cardholders. Our expanded Thursday hours were much appreciated by all our patrons.

Our building committee was busy after the defeat of the bond for a new library. The committee worked with the Town Building Needs Committee to assess alternate locations for the library's expansion. The conclusion was that the present expansion location would be in the best interest of both the Library and our community.

Our computers have been very busy with Internet searches, writing reports, and emailing. Our ATT broadband connection continues to save the Town money and to allow quick connection to the Internet.

The new Friends of the Library group have been incredibly active. They meet on a monthly basis and have organized several events. They held a very successful raffle in March, staffed the store on Saturday mornings this summer, ran a well-received yard sale in September, and set up a Christmas shopping area in the library. Not only is their enthusiasm and support appreciated but also so is the money they have raised for the building fund.

Kathy Fife donated all the pledges from her hike of a 281-mile section of the Appalachian Trail to the Library building fund. Her generosity raised over \$2000. Programs were given by Mark Travis, and Dudley and Jacqueline Laufman with proceeds donated to the building fund.

Our July reading program "Octopi Your Mind" reached over 90 Canterbury children with weekly crafts and a fantastic puppet show called "Fish Tales". A generous grant from the State Library helped to fund this very successful program. Weekly story hours were well attended, and third graders from the Elementary School visited on a weekly basis.

Our Christmas Open House was made possible by the help of wonderful volunteers. Sam Kappala and Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki provided both Christmas and toe-tapping music, and jolly old St. Nick made it back this

year (Trustee John Bouton). The Friends baked a marvelous assortment of treats that were enjoyed by all who attended.

Once again our Library has benefited from the unselfish donation of that most precious commodity, time. From our Trustees, building committee members, Friends, volunteers, fair workers, and bar coders, we have received many, many hours. Thanks to all.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Leiding
Chairperson of the Trustees



LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Total Circulation of Materials:	14,863
Adult Fiction	3,970
Adult Non-Fiction	979
Youth Fiction	4,288
Youth Non-Fiction	650
Audio Cassettes	1,113
Video Cassettes	2,938
Magazines	329
CD's	75
Inter-Library Loans	521

Materials purchased in 2001

Adult Fiction	126
Adult Non-Fiction	51
Youth Fiction	124
Youth Non-Fiction	52
Audio Cassettes	15
Video Cassettes	43
Donations (Books, Audio's & Videos)	128

Our little Library has been very active in 2001. There were 412 children and 278 adults attending the various programs offered during the year, such as story hour, summer reading, book discussion group, holiday open house and other special events. Internet access saw a steady increase monthly with a year-end total of 621 users.

Through the inter-library loan service Elkins patrons borrowed 362 books from libraries throughout the State and we loaned out 159 books.

We wish to express our gratitude to the many volunteers who have presented programs, assisted with the book sale and donated materials and professional services.

Susan Holmes, Director
Elaine DiStefano, Assistant

Annual Report Of The Canterbury Police Department

I would like to personally thank the Town for such a warm welcome when I began, as Chief, in May. The show of support for the Department over the last seven months enabled us to upgrade our equipment and to search for new officers that would best serve the community. I am proud to introduce you to your four new Police Department members.

The new full-time officer, Sergeant Stephen Shurtleff, comes to the department with over 33 years of law enforcement experience. Most of his career, over 20 years, was spent as a U.S. Marshall. Our two additional part time officers are Brian Duchesne and Todd Sheehan. Brian has prior experience with the Allentown Police Department. Todd is currently attending the part-time police academy and will be graduating in February 2002. Our most recent hire, Janet Emerson, will be keeping us organized as the office manager. We also have a new Corporal, Larry Phillips. Larry has been with the department for over four years and was promoted in the fall as recognition for his dedication to the department and the town. He has been a great source of information and assistance. I am grateful to have him on our team, as I am with all the new employees. We have a very qualified and dedicated staff, which will allow us to better serve the Town in the upcoming year.

In 2001, the Department worked on new programs for the community. As a result, In 2002, we will begin joining the youth (18 and under) with the senior citizens. Once a month a representative from both sides will meet and we will work on ways the Police Department can better serve both sides. It will be a great opportunity to get feedback from our students that attend Belmont and private schools. We also remain active in the DARE program at the elementary school.

As we enter 2002, we aim to serve the community to the best of our abilities. Please let us know if you have suggestions.

The police department looks forward to a safe and resourceful 2002.

Gwen E. Deurell
Chief

Annual Report Of The Canterbury Fire / Rescue

Not too many days after September 11th, I was eating breakfast with my family. We were discussing the horrible events in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania when a call came in to respond to Shaker Village for a reported bomb threat. Talk about close to home! Acts of terrorism extend throughout our land; none of us are too far away or immune from danger. Canterbury Fire and Rescue has been training all along to learn how to cope with these contemporary emergencies, but until recently they had seemed so far away, so remote. Now they are a fact of life in Canterbury. In these times, we are reminded that we, as firefighters, go not just in harms way, but willingly go in harms way.

As President Bush recently stated: In any state, in any town, the first ones to respond to an emergency are firefighters, rescue personnel, and police. Since September 11 the members of your Fire Department have received many words and gestures of support, from friendly waves to generous donations; from considerate phone calls giving us a "heads up" on intended brush burning during non permit periods, to cars slowing down or stopping for our emergency vehicles to pass safely.

Canterbury Fire & Rescue is a volunteer organization whose job it is to preserve life and property in the Town of Canterbury. All 18 active members are volunteers. They respond to calls from their homes or from their workplace. From our single fire station in the Town Center, we operate six vehicles: two rescue/pumpers; a hazardous spills remediation-capable utility pumper; two forestry rigs and a rescue truck. We fight house fires and car fires, brush, field, and forest fires, and address a full range of medical and rescue emergencies.

We maintain vehicle accident extrication and stabilization skills (utilizing the "Jaws of Life" and air bags) along with ropes rescue and water rescue capabilities. Medical emergency calls are an ever-increasing part of our service to townspeople and paramedic and six EMT's are ready to assist with CPR, oxygen therapy, and heart monitoring and defibrillation. We are also trained in off-the-road search and rescue techniques often involving skiers, snowmobile riders, mountain bikers, hunters and hikers.

In 2001 there were 219 calls for service, an 11% increase over last year. The calls consisted of the following:

91 Medical Aid (EMS) of which 33 were Motor Vehicle Accidents (23 on Interstate 93)

128 Fire and Rescue Calls including:

Mutual Aid assistance 26	Odor Investigation (inside) 2
Fire in a building (Canterbury) 2	Brush and forest fires 10
Odor Investigation (outside) 3	Vehicle fires 11
Outside fire investigation 5	Unauthorized brush burning 4
Chimney fires 1	Hazardous materials spills 3
Forest fire investigations 6	Ropes rescue 1
Service calls 5	Animal rescue 1
Unintentional alarm activation's 2	Off road rescue 2
False alarms 6	Vehicle Extrication 3
C02 detectors sounding 4	Power lines down 14
Fire in a building (Mutual Aid) 16	Assist the police 1

The following Life Safety and State Fire Code Inspections were completed:

New home code compliance 12	School safety compliance 6
Business code compliance 7	Other inspections 13

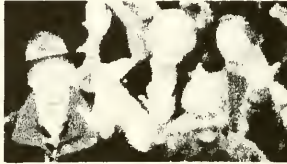
81 State of NH brush burning permits were issued by our 4 Wardens, and 11 Inspections of logging operations for compliance to the NH Timber Harvest Laws were carried out.

The cooperation between Police and Fire is outstanding. Our police officers are often the first on the scene and are of great assistance during a fire or medical emergency. In addition to traffic control, they often are responsible for initial assessment of the situation and are available to assist in medical emergencies with on-board medical kits and a defibrillator.

We find ourselves striving to do more with fewer people. Even with the addition of three new members, our 18 men and women still each volunteer an average of 20 hours a week to train, maintain equipment and respond to calls. To maintain the service you have come to expect we have committed what resources we receive from the Town to purchasing modern, efficient equipment; equipment which helps to guarantee the safety of our members--your neighbors--as they assist you in your emergency.

Please remember to Dial 911 for all your emergency needs. During brush fire season (when the snow no longer completely covers the ground), a Burn Permit Hot Line is available at 783-4798. This number connects you to a recording, which will provide information on when brush burning is allowed and the procedure for obtaining a State of New Hampshire burning permit.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Dale Caswell



Annual Report Of The Canterbury Planning Board

The Planning Board wishes foremost to publicly thank two former members whose exemplary service sustained the Board in extraordinary ways. Jim Bassett, as chairman, vice-chair and member, consistently presented the thoughtful and reasoned approach essential at a table awash in divergent thoughts. Laurie Rauseo, as chair, planner, researcher, and shepherd to the Capital Improvement Planning process, proved diligent and decisive in her role. Their presence is genuinely missed.

The year saw limited subdivision and site plan review activity. There were no major subdivisions, and two minor subdivisions, which were considered and approved. The site plan review process, (designed to look more carefully at larger projects) considered two applications. One, a building designed to support a home occupation, proved straightforward and was approved with little alteration. The other, an application to site a cell tower off Intervale Road, tested the will, wit and wisdom of the Board in new ways. Eleven public hearings, eight balloon raisings, six site walks, the hiring of a consultant, legal consultation and much more soul-searching, helped determine the suitability of the site and circumstance. It was approved with modifications designed to limit its visual impact, but not its efficiency.

Among the other dimensions of planning given consideration this year were impact fees designed to offset costs to the Town generated by development, creation of a policy to govern building on class VI roads, and the need for a map system with a common scale presenting a clear, current picture of our community as we plan and grow logically. An inventory of class VI roads has been developed; a format designed to evaluate each in detail has been created and applied to those about which questions have arisen. This scrutiny is intended to create a reasonable policy, which embodies respect for the land, property owners, conservation issues and wise planning. Toward this end, the Conservation Commission has provided time and welcome assistance, for which the Board is appreciative. This report would be incomplete without extending our sincere thanks to Nancy Lilly. As Clerk, she is the tireless scribe who draws coherence from our confusion.

Respectfully submitted,

Members of the Canterbury Planning Board

**TOWN OF CANTERBURY
PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS: 2002-2008**

Department # Project	Estimated Project Cost (2002 dollars)	Priority Rating	Estimated Donations	Reserve Funds as of 2000	PREVIOUS SPENDING 2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	beyond this CIP post 2008	TOTAL
DEPARTMENT: RECYCLING														
1 Plastics Granulator	\$5,000	Deferrable											\$5,000	\$5,000
DEPARTMENT: LIBRARY														
2 Library Expansion	\$811,800	Enhancement	\$30,000	\$75,000	\$25,000	\$75,000	\$103,000	\$91,627	\$87,986	\$84,345	\$80,704	\$77,064	\$216,424	\$946,150
DEPARTMENT: CONSERVATION COMMISSION														
3 Land Acquisition-Hildreth Field	\$150,000	Deferrable	\$50,000										\$100,000	\$150,000
DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAY														
4 Purchase New Grader	\$165,050	Essential		\$44,421	\$5,000	\$29,237	\$28,912	\$27,912	\$26,912	\$20,850				\$183,244
DEPARTMENT: FIRE/RESCUE														
5 Refurbish Engine 1	\$35,000	Essential					\$35,000							\$35,000
6 Life Safety Building	\$650,000	Deferrable												\$650,000
DEPARTMENT: POLICE														
7 Replace 1995 cruiser with SUV	\$35,000	Essential			\$30,000									\$30,000
8 Replacement of 1996 cruiser	\$30,000	Essential					\$30,000							\$30,000
9 Replacement of 2001 cruiser	\$30,000	Essential								\$30,000				\$30,000
10 Police Dept Computer Upgrade	\$10,000	Deferrable											\$10,000	\$10,000
DEPARTMENT: PLANNING BOARD														
12 Digitalize Tax Maps	\$6,400	Enhancement												\$6,400
PREVIOUS PROJECTS/DEBT PAYMENTS														
Fire Truck purchased 1998					\$37,802	\$35,800								\$73,602
RESERVE FUNDS (for projects not otherwise listed above)														
Fire Apparatus					\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$40,000
Rescue Apparatus					\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$40,000
Conservation Land					\$0	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$50,000
Highway Equipment					\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$40,000
Highway Truck					\$51,743	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$86,743
TOTALS	\$1,928,250			\$119,421	\$184,545	\$180,037	\$198,912	\$174,539	\$169,898	\$190,195	\$145,704	\$142,064	\$841,424	\$2,406,139
Approximate Portion of Tax Rate for capital project spending														
					\$1.65	\$1.80	\$1.98	\$1.75	\$1.70	\$1.90	\$1.46	\$1.42		

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NOTES:

- Figures shown in italics represent amount placed in reserve.
 - Figures shown in bold represent bond payments including interest.
 - Loans were calculated assuming 6% interest, equal annual principal payments.
 - Library principal payment \$60,680 (last payment in 2011, 10 year bond)
 - Grader principal payment \$21,000 (last payment in 2006, 5 year bond)
- * These are capital reserve funds already established by the town for future projects not yet specifically identified. Figure 1 shows suggested allocations for future years based on previous years' amounts.

NOTE: The Canterbury Planning Board has prepared this CIP as an advisory document for use by the Town Budget Committee, Board of Selectmen, and residents. The preparation of this CIP does not commit the Town of Canterbury to fund any of the projects within, nor to schedule any projects in a certain order, nor does it preclude other projects from being funded by the Town.

**Town of Canterbury
Zoning Board of Adjustment
2001 Review**

Case Number	Applicant	Appeal	Decision
2001-1	Kenneth Stern	Special Exception Home Occupation	Withdrawn
2001-2	SBA/ATC Towers	Use Variance Telecommunications	Denied
2001-3	Christopher Cryans & Tiffany Brown	Special Exception Front Setback	Granted Conditionally
2001-4	Luke Smith	Special Exception Front Setback	Granted Conditionally
2001-5	Steve & Susan Booth	Special Exception Cabinetry and Carpentry Shop	Granted
2001-6	Linda Zimmer	Special Exception Family Childcare Home	Withdrawn
2001-7	Richard & Deborah Rowell	Appeal from Admin Decision Home Occupation	Denied

2001-8	Susan Holmes	Integrated Awareness Practitioner	Granted
2001-9	Thomas McLaughlin	Home Shop Custom Furniture Maker	Granted
2001-10	Paul Lepesqueur & Mary Kerwin	Special Exception Front Setback	Granted
2001-11	Edwin West	Special Exception Front Setback	Granted
2001-12	John Phelps/Paul Lemire	Special Exception Commercial Parking Lot	Withdrawn
2001-13	Luke J. Smith	Special Exception Front Setback	Granted
2001-14	Denis Lamy	Special Exception Custom Woodworking Business	Withdrawn
2001-15	Donna Rice	Special Exception Home Industry	Granted

Annual Report Of The Canterbury Conservation Commission

In 2001, the Conservation Commission continued its commitment to maintaining the rural quality of Canterbury by protecting land parcels in the face of ever-increasing development pressures. In order to protect the Town's natural beauty and valuable open space, the commission encourages residents to continue to explore their land protection options, as well as to support funding for the commission's work. The members of the Conservation Commission wish to express our gratitude for the Town's exceptional commitment to protecting Canterbury's rural character and rich ecological resources.

2001 saw several new members welcomed to the Conservation Commission, including Faith Berry, Howard Moffett, Tom Roy, Darrel Covell and Kelly Short. With new members come new ideas and new energy. One example of this is the proposed GIS project now before the Town for consideration. This proposal represents a joint effort with the Planning Board and with your support will provide the Conservation Commission and Planning Board with unique environmental data that can be used for the long-term planning and protection of sensitive lands.

A review of all wetland alterations permits and the monitoring of permitted activities; monitoring of culvert and road installations of culvert and road installations and timber harvesting; monitoring of the NHIS required mitigation activities. We also continued the monitoring and involvement in the Glines' "Canterbury Woods" golf course during the construction phase, and provided assistance to the NHDES Wetlands Bureau in investigating wetland violations. As a result of an increase in the number of timber cutting related wetland violations, the Commission now has increased awareness and provides a review of the timber cutting activities in Town. Timber cutting guidance resources are also now available to the public at the Sam Lake House and Library.

Completion of the large rock work, in the stone-lined spillway at the Kimball Pond Dam. The commission would like to thank Kevin Fife of Twin Elm Landscape, for his expertise and donation of time and equipment in completing this project. Also at this Kimball Pond site, the Commission improved the existing non-motorized trail system, and performed routine maintenance and monitoring of the dam. The

Commission also monitored and worked with NHDOT to preserve trees, prevent erosion and wetland degradation, and to improve site access during the NHDOT reconstruction of Kimball Pond Road.

The Commission continues to be actively involved in ongoing land acquisitions and provides support and assistance for the granting of conservation easements. One example of this is a project currently underway that if successful will result in the granting of a Conservation Easement on nearly 150 acres of land in the Crane Neck Pond and Schoodac Meadow area. When completed, this will connect and provide a contiguous buffer to other already protected lands in this area.

Commission members also monitor existing Conservation Easements at the Thunberg, Hannah Moore, Shaker Village and Rocky Pond sites, among others. Monitoring activities included checking for encroachments, noting the types of wildlife using the area, recovering property corners, remarking property lines and updating the annual report on these easements.

Review and support of the Natural Resource inventory at the Shaker Village, conducted by Kathie Fife; report is available for review.

On-going projects performed during 2001 include the maintenance of trails at the Riverland area, Kimball Pond area and the Intervale canoe launch area; brush and poison ivy control at Riverland; refurbishing the sign at Peverly Meadow; installation of duck boxes at Kimball Pond, Crane Neck and Schoodac; and continued work on updating and improving our new web site; www.conservecanterbury.org.

The current use land use change fees generated \$18,218.00 for the Land Conservation Account.

I would like to thank all the Commission Members and Town Officials for their combined support for the Conservation Commission. We want to thank Mark Stevens for lending his expertise in land management, including help with deed and survey management, land acquisitions, GIS knowledge and always offering his hands-on assistance in our projects.

Respectfully submitted,
Canterbury Conservation Commission



Annual Report Of The Economic Development Committee

In January 2001, the Economic Development Committee considered entering into a partnership agreement with CRDC (Capital Regional Development Council) to develop the land located at Exit 18, however, after discussing various alternatives, the Committee decided to delay entering into an agreement until it explored development options on its own. The Committee met with several public, private developers and economic development specialists to consider options for developing the site. Both the public and private developers interviewed cited the importance of constructing the access road to the property. While the developers understood the Committee's strategy of waiting to construct the road until a site had been sold, they considered the absence of the road as the greatest impediment to the development of the park. Based on these recommendations and comments, and recognizing the lack of success experienced with the original development strategy, the Committee concluded that development of a portion of the access road and extending utilities to the site was essential to stimulate development. The Committee has considered various funding options for the construction of a road and concluded that the best approach is to submit a "warrant article" for consideration at the March Town Meeting. The appropriation request would allow the construction of the initial portion of the access road (approximately 1100') and extension of power into the site. Any proceeds derived from the subsequent sale of lots would be used to reduce or eliminate the appropriation and extend the road.

The Committee continues to interview business owners who are interested in the Exit 18 land, but no final commitments have been made to date. While the lack of public water and sewer serves as a limitation for some potential, it is the lack of an access road that is considered to be the most significant limitation to development of the property.

Respectfully submitted,

Members of the Economic Development Committee



Recycle Committee Annual Report – 2001

The Recycling Committee meets the first Thursday of each month at the Sam Lake House at 6:30 p.m. The Committee welcomes visitors and new members at any time.

The biggest addition to our program in 2001 has been the addition of plastics recycling. At the March 2000 Town Meeting Canterbury residents voted on Warrant Article 8 to purchase a trailer to store and haul number 1-7 plastics. In order to minimize the hauling of the plastics, it is necessary to crush as many plastic containers as possible and only include those covers that have the recycling symbol with the number of 1-7.

This addition to our recycling program should reduce the amount of trash we send to Wheelabrator in Penacook thus saving our packer truck. We can also stay within our GAT (described below), making us eligible for reimbursement for ALL that we recycle throughout the year, and we can be more responsible about our waste and its impact on *our* earth.

Canterbury's contract with Wheelabrator (trash-to-energy plant) requires the Town to commit to a certain number of tons of trash each year – the GAT (guaranteed annual tonnage). The fee for each ton in 2000 was \$36.50 and \$37.00 in 2001. The Town budgeted for 700 tons in 2000 and 710 tons in 2001. In 2001 we exceeded the 710 tons by only 16 tons, increasing our cost by \$592. In 2000 we exceeded the 700 tons by 64 tons, increasing our cost by \$2360. Our goal is to set a GAT of 710 tons for 2002 and stay below it. That will make us eligible to recoup money from Wheelabrator for what we have recycled.

Major accomplishments for 2001:

Plastics Recycling – purchased a utility trailer to haul number 1-7 plastics for recycling.

Printer Cartridge Recycling – began accepting eligible inkjet or laser cartridges. There is no cost for this program.

Sale of Compost Bins – a total of 61 bins were sold and a total of \$455 was raised. This money will help the recycling efforts at Canterbury Elementary School.

“Spruce Up” Day – Many volunteers arrived on June 9 to spruce up the Recycling Center. There were a number of shrubs and flowers planted at the entrance and around the building. Gold Star Sod Farm, Sarah Tirrell-

Wysocki, and Sarah Fields donated plants and bushes. A special thanks to all Canterbury residents who volunteered to make a difference.

Plans for 2002 include the sale of compost & home recycling bins, the establishment of a collection site at the Recycling Center for hazardous waste, the continual study of State-mandated landfill capping, and the addition of other recyclable commodities.

The following chart describes what we have recycled this past year. The column descriptions are noted at the bottom of the chart.

Material	Weight t = tons g =gallons	Cost (\$)	Income (\$)	Savings (\$)	Total Benefit (\$)
Aluminum	3.42 t	100.00	2512.80	126.54	2,539.34
Steel	97.14 t	1330.16	1134.95	3594.00	3,398.79
Textiles	4.05 t	0	0	149.85	149.85
Paper	139.75 t	2543.64	0	5170.75	2,627.11
Glass	64.84 t	0	250.97	2399.08	2,650.05
Motor Oil	1250 g	125.00	0	--	(125.00)
Plastics	3.12 t	0	0	115.44	115.44
Cans	9.88 t	245.75	0	365.56	119.81
TOTAL		4344.55	3898.72	11921.22	11475.39

Material and Weight: Self-explanatory

Cost: Any cost incurred to recycle the material, i.e., transportation costs, loading and drop-off fees for the roll-off container (storage for material until it is full and ready for hauling).

Income: revenue received for the material.

Savings: Savings to the Town due to NOT sending the material to the incinerator. The fee to send our trash to the incinerator for this fiscal year is \$37.00 per ton.

Total: SAVINGS plus INCOME minus COST.

Remember that the income from recyclable materials fluctuates from month to month. Prices are currently down for glass, paper, textiles and steel cans. Sometimes the cost to recycle is greater than the income. This is a reality we must live with and hope that the future will see recyclable material being used to a greater extent, saving our resources.

Every ton we recycle saves us \$37 at Wheelabrator so you will see that our net result is a benefit to the Town. Never lose sight of the overall benefit of recycling to the long-term health of our environment.

Thank you for the on-going support of our recycling efforts. Without your help and understanding of the importance of recycling, we could not have made a difference.

Canterbury Recycling Committee



The following was brought to the attention of the Canterbury Building Needs Committee by Priscilla Lockwood and Catherine Dickson. Excerpts are taken from the 1885 History of Merrimack & Belknap Counties.

HISTORY OF THE CANTERBURY TOWN HALL (MEETING HOUSE)

The following sketch of this historic building is from the pen of Miss Mary E. Clough, being an able address delivered by her at the dedication of the present town hall, in 1884:

“Assembled as we are to-night for the first time in our new and commodious hall, it seems fitting to say our good-bye and pay respect to the old. Our present building is to all appearance a new one, and yet we need look back only a few months to be reminded that it has a history... Five hundred dollars were appropriated for the present repairs; we will learn ... what its previous costs have been. No building in town ... has known such vicissitudes, none has served such various uses. The younger portion of this audience may not know that it was originally a church, and that the same frame has withstood the wind and weather for nearly one hundred and thirty years. Still its timbers are sound and strong.

... “As early as 1743 we find that an appropriation was made for the building of a fort and meeting-house in Canterbury, but no further action had been taken until 1750. At a meeting of the proprietors of the town... it was agreed that a vote passed September 21, 1743, about building a meetinghouse for the public worship of God in Canterbury... be confirmed and the dimensions fixed. ‘Voted that said meeting house to be raised, the outside finished, the windows made and glazed and a lower floor laid at or before the last day of September, in the year 1751. The house shall be forty-five feet in length by thirty-five in breadth.’

... “The work seemed to go on slowly. This is not surprising when we consider the difficulty of the undertaking. There was land to till to furnish subsistence, houses to be built to shelter themselves and their families, hostile Indians to watch and to fight, the timbers and boards to hew and finish without the aid of modern tools and machinery. ...

“An ingenious plan was resorted to for the inside finishing. The pew-ground... of which there were eighteen lots, was sold at public vendue. Each purchaser, must, within two years, build his pew in a handsome and workman-like manner; failing to do this he forfeited his pew-ground...

“The house was ready for occupancy in the autumn of 1756...the committee to receive the meeting-house, having first viewed and found it finished according to the vote of the proprietors... The house as thus finished seems to have served the dual purpose of church and town-house, without change, up to the year 1785, at which time the matter of repairing or building new was brought up.

...“The second and third articles in the town-meeting warrant of February 1, 1785 are to see if the inhabitants will take any measure for repairing the meeting-house, ... and if not, see if they will take it down and build a new one. At the meeting called by this warrant it was voted to raise money for repairing; also to move it across the road ...Also voted ‘to shingle and clapboard the fire-side of the meeting-house, and clapboard the west end and repair the east end and lay the gallery floor and put rails on the breast of the galleries and put pillars under the gallery girths.’

“The work does not appear to have been effected at this time, for again on February 26th, 1789, a special town-meeting was called for the same purpose. At said meeting it was voted ‘that this meeting-house be removed to the north side of the road, ...’ At an adjourned meeting it was voted that Benjamin Blanchard should clapboard and shingle the fireside of the meeting-house for thirty-four dollars’ worth of neat stock, and at the same time a committee was appointed ‘to see that this meeting-house, on the outside, be done workman-like.’

“In June of the same year money that came from the sale of the pew-ground... was voted for the making of two porches, one at each end. Again, the 22nd day of the same month, eighteen pounds was voted for repairs. This seems to have ended the struggle, and the old house was not disturbed again by the sound of axe and hammer for over thirty years. ... To it devout worshipers made their weekly pilgrimages, and in it the stormy town meetings were annually held. ...

“There came a time, about the year 1823, when the building was thought to be a place unfit for a place of religious worship... The frame has settled so much that on one side an open space of six inches was left between the roof and walls, where the winter winds and storms could

sweep in at will; ... there was no way of warming the building; the windows were old and loose, and many cracks and seams in the sides and about the doors admitted more fresh air than was necessary...

“In the year 1823 the voters of the town were called upon to decide whether it should again be fitted up for a meeting-house and town-house, or whether a modern church should be built. ... This much was speedily settled, — that it was not expedient to repair the old meetinghouse for a place of religious worship, and it was decided to build a new. But what to do with this building in order to fit it out for town purposes called out project after project, and special meeting upon special meeting. The more conservative ones said, spare it; the radicals, tear it down. The matter was pending for several years before anything was accomplished. At the March meeting of 1825...an article in the warrant proposed ‘to see if the town will vote to build a town-house...’ The same year it was voted that ‘the town-house be located within thirty rods of the old meeting-house, [and] that the old meeting house be cut down to one story, moved and finished for a town-house...’ And so it would seem that the matter was pretty nearly adjusted. But not so; a petition of thirty ... voters called for a special meeting the 18th of the following April to reconsider the vote of March 25th, also to see if the town will vote to locate a new town-house on the hill west of John Sutton’s; to see if they will sell the old west meeting-house (this building)...; to see how much money the town will vote. ... Another article in the warrant calls for a house in the easterly part of the town, — this to serve as church and town house. And so the war of words went on. ... When the voters disagree, the majority usually decides. But not so, said these men. At the meeting of April 18th it was voted that ‘the town clerk go...to the selectmen of Warner, requesting them to come to this town as a committee to locate the town-house, and their decision shall be final.’ We do not learn that the town clerk ever attended to this duty or that the Warner men ever came. ...

“The varied history of our old building for the last sixty years, save that relating to town-meetings, no scribe has written, though much of it is fresh in the memories of older inhabitants. It was often used as a church, for its creed embraced all faiths. When the new church was closed against preachers of other denominations other than its own... the town house swung wide its doors to welcome them. ... It drew many hearers from the new church and often the larger congregation assembled there.

“While the present school-house was in course of building, it accommodated our school.

“To teacher or preacher, to school or to meeting, has our venerable building never been known to shut its door. It has been sort of an omnivorous creature, taking in whatever could or could not find a place elsewhere.

“But the annual town-fair was, for the first four or five years, a real gala-day for the old house. Here were displayed the best products of farm and garden, of dairy and kitchen...

“History repeats itself ...; so in our town-house story, there came another year, 1833, when some thought that the house needed repairing again, and the following year began a war, which, in the to-be-written history of Canterbury, may be known as the third town-house war. The active brains of active men set to work devising the best plan for getting a substantial house. These timbers were examined and found firm and sound, — good for another half century — so, as twice before, the old frame was spared. Now for the repairs. One party would have the outside made rain-proof and the inside remain intact; a second thought it better to renew both outside and inside, letting the building stand on the same foundation; some would raise it a few feet, others would move it forward ...; the party that prevailed ... would raise it enough to admit of horse-sheds underneath, and put the whole building in good condition.

“The work is done, and all now seem inclined to adopt the spirit of the proverb, ‘All’s well that ends well.’ and so amiable and sensible a way have our people of submitting to the inevitable that the current of goodwill now seems to flow on as smoothly as if nothing had ever disturbed its course. ... We are glad that we can look out to night upon familiar faces, to assure ourselves that we are still residents of our good old town. The hewn oaken braces remain, suggesting strength and at the same time serving as a bond to connect the past with the present... .

*Copies of the complete and unabridged dedication speech are available from Kent Ruesswick, Old Tilton Road.

CANTERBURY BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE

REPORT TO THE SELECTMEN

The Canterbury Building Needs Committee (CBNC) was charged with addressing necessary and immediate building repairs, and with investigating the need for future expansions of existing facilities. As each facility was considered, its impact on some other facility became apparent. We considered many options that included combining facilities, relocating facilities, rebuilding facilities, and leaving the status quo. The Committee was unanimous in its opinion that any plan for the future should incorporate a more pedestrian oriented Center, while preserving the appealing New England character it has always enjoyed. Already this Center is anchored by the privately owned Canterbury Center Store and Post Office, the Community Church, the historic Town Hall, and privately owned historic residences. It quickly became obvious to the CBNC that the Community had an opportunity, for the second time since the Center fire in 1943, to determine the character of Canterbury for generations to follow by building on the vision that was set in motion by our predecessors.

The suggestions that follow envision a Canterbury Center where families and individuals can find easy parking and access to all the various services and events. Through landscaping and the establishment of walkways and safe traffic patterns a true "village green" can be created where one can visit the store, town offices, the church, town hall, library and museum without the necessity of moving a vehicle.

Toward establishing that direction for the future, the Committee sees a number of areas that need to be addressed. They are:

YEAR ONE - 2002

TOWN HALL:

Using the Planning Committee Report of March 2000 as a guideline, repairs and additions should be implemented immediately. This would be accomplished by utilizing the \$35,000 already voted at Town Meeting in 2001, together with other available grants or an additional appropriation at Town Meeting 2002. This building can be used for Selectmen's meetings, Planning Board meetings, Zoning Board meetings and other public meetings, as well as for local organizations such as Scouting. The stage would be excellent for CES theater productions and music concerts.

The CBNC recommends:

- ◆ Dropping the building 14” onto a granite topped foundation. This will restore it to more historic appearance and facilitate the building of a ramp in the least intrusive manner.
- ◆ Remove the current entry addition on the side and create a new, ramped entry and bathroom addition at the rear.
- ◆ Fully insulate the entire building, not just the new addition.
- ◆ Storm windows or replacement-insulated windows to be installed.
- ◆ The basement to be cleaned, painted and secured for storage.
- ◆ Re-roof the building. The committee recommends against using metal roofing and suggests using 40-year “architectural” shingles. As the occasion requires, it is recommended that all Town buildings be re-roofed with the same type of shingles.

ELKINS LIBRARY:

- ◆ The committee agreed, by majority vote, that a library addition should be constructed as soon as possible, following the square foot recommendations and general plan layout that has been developed by the Library Building Committee. While the need is readily apparent, it was much more difficult to plan a way to address that need. The end result *must consider the other pressing needs facing the community*. In addition to funds already reserved, a combination of bonding, frugal construction specifications, fundraisers, etc. should be utilized to minimize the impact on the Town while other needed projects are also begun.

SAM LAKE HOUSE:

We do not foresee this particular structure serving the long-term needs of the Town. We recommend that a minimum amount of money be spent on this structure in year one (2002) to provide for the following *short term uses*:

- ◆ A new layout needs to be developed utilizing the Town Clerk’s Office differently. It is recommended that a counter be added from beside the present counter toward the Clerk’s desk to allow more than one person to be serviced at a time. This should be at a convenient height for writing. .
- ◆ A door should also be added from the back of the office to the outside of the building to allow egress for the office personal.
- ◆ The selectmen’s office should be improved with the addition of an access between the office and the copy room through the stair hall.

TOWN GARAGE:

It is the unanimous opinion of this committee that a town garage is not in keeping with a vision for a more attractive and pedestrian active center. The Town should begin saving in 2002 toward the construction of a new public works garage at the site of the current recycling center.

RECYCLING CENTER:

- ◆ The layout of the recycling center should be given careful thought with an eye toward utilizing the space in a more efficient manner.
- ◆ Traffic patterns should be revised to allow for less back up and congestion at the present entrance.
- ◆ Until the Town Garage is relocated to this site with facilities for personnel, a portable toilet should be installed.

TRAFFIC-PARKING-LANDSCAPING:

The CBNC Recommends:

- ◆ Hiring a landscape architect to create a master plan to be followed in implementing the changes envisioned in parking, pedestrian travel and beautification.
- ◆ Regrade around Town Hall to bring the parking lot up to the top of the septic system. Provide parking spaces for Houser Museum along top of bank.
- ◆ Create new egress roads for use of the Fire Dept. to provide for the safety of residents attending events and parking at the rehabilitated Town Hall.

The first egress would be located directly in front of the existing fire station, tying through to the Creamery road, which would be improved and turned into a one-way road toward Center Road. We also recommend that at this same time the corner at the beginning of Old Tilton Road be widened slightly and the bank between the road and Town Hall be cut back. This will provide for a safer corner for those using Old Tilton Road, as well as providing a good line of sight for fire equipment crossing the road to Creamery Road to see and be seen.

The second egress for the Fire Dept. should be developed around the backside of the fire pond and enter from the north side of the pond onto Hackleboro Rd. This egress should be designed to provide two way traffic to a future Life Safety Building. Where

this egress intersects Hackleboro Rd. there would be regrading to provide better line of site to the north.

OVERALL TOWN IMPROVEMENTS:

- ◆ Garage Doors on Fire Station should be replaced within the next year with new insulated doors. This becomes an immediate savings with increased energy efficiency.
- ◆ The water system, which serves the entire center, should be addressed. The pump and tank should be relocated from the old cellar in the Sam Lake house to the cellar under the current meeting room. Water treatment and filtering equipment should also be installed to make the water more potable and less corrosive to plumbing and fixtures.
- ◆ As improvements are made to various buildings, thought should be given to the installation of a central fire monitoring system for town buildings.
- ◆ All new construction undertaken by the town should utilize the very latest construction techniques to minimize future maintenance needs and provide for the most energy efficient building.
- ◆ Exterior trim and siding materials should be planned and designed to match existing architectures in the center and to reflect our New England setting.

YEARS 2003-2005

TOWN GARAGE:

The CBNC recommends:

- ◆ Removal of the Town Garage to the site of the current recycling center by building a new building. This building should contain 8 bays of room for equipment, and an area for the use of town employees. It would be approximately 5,000 sq. ft. in size. The building should be located approximately where the salt shed is, with the long face turned south. With a metal shed roof pitched to the north, the building will shed its snow load to the north, keeping the drives clear. It is also recommended that the town consider purchasing any land contiguous to the recycling center that may become available, to allow flexibility as future needs dictate.

TOWN OFFICES:

- ◆ After removal of the highway garage from the center it is suggested that the existing garage be rehabilitated to house all Town Offices, including the Selectmen's Office, the Tax Collector's Office, and the

Building Inspector's office. Restrooms, kitchenette facilities and a meeting room should be added, not only for the use of Town Offices, but also for use by Fire, Rescue, and Police Departments.

- ◆ The roof of the present garage should be replaced with a more "New England Style" pitched roof as soon as possible. The roof should be even pitched on both slopes, and of an 8 or higher pitch. A porch should be added along the south side. The exterior should be finished in clapboard to echo the other buildings in the center. A boiler room should be constructed with a new boiler large enough to heat the new town offices and the present Fire Dept. building. This boiler room should be of sufficient size to later accept a second boiler to heat a future Life/Safety building.
- ◆ Note: At this point a committee should be established to look at the long-term re-uses for the Sam Lake House.

YEARS 2006-2012

LIFE/SAFETY BUILDING:

- ◆ The CBNC recommends that plans be developed during this time period for a major expansion to be built over the existing fire station. We envision an addition measuring 30'x84' to be built behind the existing structure. On top of this structure and the existing fire station would be built a second floor. The facility would house offices, storage, meeting and training rooms, shower and restrooms, and a kitchenette for both the Fire and Police Departments. This expansion would be accessed by the road along the north side of the fire pond onto Hackleboro Rd. previously constructed. The station would remain central but trucks would no longer enter into the active center of town. (See MASTER SKETCH).

MONEY/FUNDING:

The committee suggests the following funding for the year 2002:

TOWN HALL: \$40,000 from town budget (\$30,000 not used if the town is successful in obtaining an additional grant.)

ELKINS LIBRARY: \$750,000 to come from funds already voted (\$75,000), funds raised or to be raised by volunteers, and bond issue to be voted at town meeting.

SAM LAKE HOUSE: \$7,000 from town budget.

TOWN GARAGE: \$5,000 from budget for initial study and planning.

RECYCLING CENTER: \$1,000 from budget for rental of portable toilet.

TRAFFIC-PARKING-LANDSCAPING: \$10,000 from budget for planning and initial work around Town Hall, Houser Museum, egress roads, and recycling center.

OVERALL TOWN IMPROVEMENTS: \$30,000 from budget to replace doors at fire station and relocate and filter water system.

TOTAL REQUESTED (exclusive of any bond for library) \$93,000

CONCLUSION

It is obvious to the Committee that what was thought to be a one-year study has turned out to be just the tip of the iceberg. There is a good deal more planning that needs to go with each of the suggestions made, and much work to do to implement and supervise those items that we feel should be done in the coming year.

A landscape plan showing where we are headed and what it will look like when we get there is a first step. Building plans and specifications will need to be developed and realistic costs developed. During the coming year the Committee would like to continue to work on these items with a goal of presenting these costs before the Town for the year 2003. Beginning in that year we recommend yearly allocations in Capital Reserve Funds to minimize the impact of any one project as it comes on line. Further meetings with the Community should also be held to keep all our citizens informed and to benefit our planning with their input.

Our work this year has been very satisfying to all the members of the committee. We have enjoyed working and learning together, and the perspectives that have been brought to the table have been broad and helpful. We thank the Selectmen for giving us this opportunity to serve Canterbury, and look forward to continuing in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Canterbury Building Needs Committee
Kent Ruesswick, Chairman

UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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This year, the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) welcomes new Adopt-a-River Sponsors: Checkmate Expert Payroll Services and Elektrisola, Inc. They are joined by existing Sponsors, Aries Engineering, Inc.; Franklin Savings Bank; Franklin Wastewater Treatment Facility; Public Service Company of NH Corporate Offices and Merrimack Station; and Watts Regulator/Webster Valve. The UMRLAC is grateful for their support of the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP) and other projects in the watershed. Many thanks to the Conservation Commissions and Towns and Cities of Boscawen, Bow, Canterbury, Concord, Franklin, and Northfield for their ongoing support and graciously hosting UMRLAC meetings. The UMRLAC is grateful for the generosity of its towns, cities, and Sponsors.

The new UMRLAC website, www.merrimackriver.org, debuted this year. Formerly, the NH Department of Environmental Services generously hosted the UMRLAC on its server. As the Committee's programs expanded, it decided it was time to "hatch out" on its own and create a new website. The site showcases water quality data and images of the river with a new and easy address.

Additional organisms were "discovered" by over forty volunteers at last year's sixth annual "Bug Nights," held at Saint Paul's School in Concord. The organisms were added to the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program's *Macroinvertebrates of the Upper Merrimack, an annotated picture key*. All of the information in the key was provided by volunteers' work at Bug Nights over the last six years and is used by them for identification of aquatic insects and other organisms. A full-color, two-page *Concord Monitor* article covered this season's sample collection this summer. Approximately thirty-five volunteers conducted *E. coli* bacteria monitoring and macroinvertebrate collection along the Pemigewasset, Winnepesaukee, Contoocook, and Merrimack Rivers at eleven sites from Franklin to Bow. Current water quality data and a copy of *State of the Upper Merrimack 1995-1997, a river quality report* can be downloaded at www.merrimackriver.org.

With a generous gift from the Basil W. Woods Jr. Chapter of Trout Unlimited, the UMMP purchased a multi-parameter water meter that quickly and inexpensively measures dissolved oxygen, pH, conductivity, depth, barometric pressure, and temperature. The data is stored and can be downloaded directly to a computer. The meter is used to complement and expand the UMMP's water quality monitoring in the upper Merrimack watershed. Trout Unlimited also

honored the UMMP with its Silver Trout Award in “recognition of distinguished service and dedication to the enhancement, preservation, and restoration of our coldwater fisheries.” At a ceremony in Boston, the UMMP was also honored by the US Environmental Protection Agency and presented with their Environmental Merit Award for “outstanding efforts in preserving New England’s environment.” Both awards are a great honor for the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program and neither possible without the vision and dedication of its volunteers and supporters who wholly—and solely—staff the organization.

Local outreach efforts this year included presentations at Beaver Meadow School, Manchester Flyfishing Association, NH Drinking Water Festival, and Proctor Academy. A presentation was also given at a non-denominational Earth Day service in Franklin. “All in the Family,” an aquatic entomology training workshop, was presented at the NH Rivers Management & Protection and Volunteer Rivers Assessment Programs Conference in November.

The Recycling Project is nearly complete. With generous support from the New England Grassroots Environment Fund, the Recycling Committee researched current recycling practices among communities, identified successful approaches, and drafted a report which presents practical plans for recycling to member communities in the Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative. When complete the report will be distributed to all of the municipalities in the Cooperative. The report will also be posted on the UMLAC website.

The NH Department of Environmental Services Nonpoint Source Local Initiative Grant Program funded the UMLAC’s application for the project, “Data Presentation, Outreach, and Education for Action in the Upper Merrimack.” The project expands outreach activities, such as exhibits and presentations, to foster watershed stewardship and volunteer recruitment throughout the watershed. The results are measured through pre- and post-presentation questionnaires. If your group or organization is interested in hosting the slide presentation, “The Merrimack River, What’s a Watershed Citizen to Do?” or a stream ecology demonstration, please contact Michele Tremblay at 796.2615 or mtrembla@tds.net.

The UMLAC was awarded project funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services Merrimack River Watershed Restoration Grants Program. With partners including the NH Department of Resources and Economic Development and the Town of Boscawen, the project will restore a badly-eroded section of riverbank in Boscawen. For further information or to volunteer on the project, please contact Michele Tremblay or Steve Landry at 796.2615 or mtrembla@tds.net.

Products slated for completion in 2002 include a brochure and newsletter which will provide updates on UMLAC and UMMP activities. A statistical paper, which measures the validity of volunteer-generated water quality data, will be released in early 2002. The UMMP extends its sincerest thanks to Steve Eckberg who provided high-quality, professional statistical-analysis services in helping to process data for the paper. A canoe outing and data presentation event is planned this summer to recognize UMMP volunteers and supporters and present water quality data.

Election of UMLAC officers for 2002-2003 included: Michele L. Tremblay, Chair; Stephen C. Landry, Vice-chair; Gary Lynn, Secretary; and Stephen Robinson, Treasurer.

The UMLAC reviewed several river-related proposals from the NH Department of Transportation. The UMLAC also provided review and comment on several Wetlands Bureau applications. Committee members tracked and commented on the State's draft Instream Flow Rules. The UMLAC is represented on the Central NH Regional Planning Commission's Regional Resource Conservation Committee, affectionately known as R²C².

Please visit our website at www.merrimackriver.org for further information on the river, committee membership, activities, maps, water quality data, and photographs of UMLAC volunteers in action. UMLAC meetings are held on a rotating basis in the six represented communities on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to attend. For meeting schedules, locations, and further information contact Michele Tremblay or your local representatives listed below.

Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee Representatives:

Boscawen Stephen Landry Michele Tremblay	Bow Gary Lynn	Canterbury Matthew Bowser Nancy Roy	Concord Edwin Robinson Stephen Robinson
	Franklin Marilee A Horn Richard LaFlamme	Northfield Richard Bellerose Pamela Hunt	

Births Registered in the Town of Canterbury, NH
for the year ending December 31, 2001.

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Birth Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name
02/13/01	Anna Caroline Hoffman	Concord, NH	Andrew Hoffman	Sarah Hoffman
03/02/01	Rachel Alexa Dull	Concord, NH	Charles Dull	Alexa Dull
03/10/01	Quinn Aileen Poole	Concord, NH	Page Poole	Maria Clark
05/05/01	Axel William Pothier	Melrose, MA	Christopher Pothier	Katherine Pothier
05/16/01	Gwynna May Macey	Concord, NH	Paul Donaghey	Sara Macey
07/07/01	Jillian Rose Curley	Concord, NH	Darrell Curley	Heather Curley
07/12/01	Alice Elms Riley	Concord, NH	Robert Riley	Tabitha Riley
07/20/01	Nicholas William Miles	Concord, NH	Stephen Miles	Eren Smith-Miles
08/21/01	Kaitlyn Nicole Blais	Concord, NH	Michael Blais	Diane Blais
08/25/01	Annika Kathleen Ekstrom	Concord, NH	Harold Ekstrom	Mary Ekstrom
09/23/01	Mathias Edward Allman	Canterbury, NH	Steven Allman	Jacqueline Allman
10/15/01	Madison Lynn Scarponi	Concord, NH	John Scarponi	Kiersten Scarponi
10/23/01	Benjamin Robert Pare	Concord, NH	Justin Pare	Kathleen Pare
10/27/01	Sana Fatima Syed	Laconia, NH	Naim Syed	Janet Syde
12/05/01	Elias Abraham Keville	Manchester, NH	Thomas Keville	Tricia Keville

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Canterbury, NH
for the year ending December 31, 2001.

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Name of Mother
April 30, 2001	Concord, NH	John A. Hollett	Ronald Hollett	Madeline Noel
August 4, 2001	Concord, NH	Winnifred C. Wingate	Chester Moody	Mabel Cartland
August 23, 2001	Concord, NH	Winola P. Stokes	Leroy Gower	Maude Estell
August 29, 2001	Canterbury, NH	John N. Emerson	John Emerson	Sigrid Ostrand
December 20, 2001	Canterbury, NH	Ellen N. Hildreth	Anton Nelson	Rhoda Curtin

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Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Canterbury, NH
for the year ending December 31, 2001.

Date	Name of Groom and Bride	Place of Residence
01/01/01	Brian T. Braskie Lenore A. Howe	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
01/23/01	Hanford W. Smith Debra A. Provencher	Canterbury, NH Weare, NH
04/06/01	Andrew A. Scanlon Paula M. Ekstrom	Canterbury, NH Strafford, NH
05/21/01	Hugh D. McKissick Stacy A. McKissick	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
05/26/01	Roy G. Plisko Lisa A. Knutson	Brooklyn, NY Brooklyn, NY
06/01/01	Willard K. Payton Bonnie L. Prescott	Canterbury, NH Concord, NH
07/14/01	Matthew S. Fox Sarah J. Cripps	Canterbury, NH Belmont, NH
07/28/01	Quentin C. Walsh Deborah M. Johnson	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
07/28/01	Michel E. Breault Linda Chase	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
08/04/01	Kevin L. Whelan Mildred J. Adams	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
08/12/01	Robert N. Reed Mary J. Haney	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
08/18/01	Keith A. Legro Patricia L. Lommen	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH

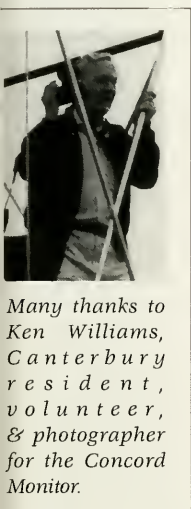
08/19/01	Alan P. Roy Shiloh D. McCarthy	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
09/08/01	Dean R. Welcome Darla J. Randlett	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
09/23/01	Noah R. Bombard Tinnelle M. Rice	Clinton, MA Clinton, MA
09/29/01	James W. Hoyt Katherine Dascoulias-Tilton	Franklin, NH Franklin, NH
10/13/01	Gregory D. Gagnon Denise M. Reed	Chichester, NH Canterbury, NH
10/20/01	Michael A. Goodman Kerry E. Pratt	Arlington, MA Arlington, MA
12/22/01	Anthony H. Abbott Robin L. Preve	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH

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Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk

28 Secrets to Happiness

Live beneath your means and within your seams
Return everything you borrow
Donate Blood
Stop blaming other people
Admit it when you make a mistake
Give all the clothes that you have not worn in the last three years to charity
Everyday do something nice and try not to get caught
Listen more; talk less
Everyday take a 30 minute walk in your neighborhood
Skip two meals a week and give the money to the homeless
Strive for excellence, not perfection
Be on time
Do not make excuses
Do not argue
Get organized
Be kind to kind people
Be even kinder to unkind people
Let someone cut ahead of you in line
Take time to be alone
Reread a favorite book
Cultivate good manners
Be humble
Understand and accept that life is not always fair
Know when to say something
Know when to keep your mouth shut
Do not criticize anyone for 24 hours
Learn from the past, plan for the future and live in the present
Do not sweat the small stuff



*Many thanks to
Ken Williams,
Canterbury
resident,
volunteer,
& photographer
for the Concord
Monitor.*



*Ken Williams &
Frank Tupper rise
to the occasion!
October 14, 2001*

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