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*Mother's Day Flood*



## **2006 Annual Report**

### **Goffstown, New Hampshire**





**Goffstown  
9-10 Year Old Jr. League  
State Champs**

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## **DEDICATION**

The Mother's Day Flood of 2006 and subsequent rains tested the stamina of our community in many ways. This flood adversely impacted homes throughout town, especially homes along the river, which faced evacuation. It caused severe damage to the town infrastructure - roads, bridges, and municipal buildings. Repairs for homeowners and the town will continue throughout 2007.

The Board of Selectmen dedicates the 2006 Annual Report to those homeowners who suffered flood related damages, and to those volunteers and town employees who worked around the clock to assist residents in need. Thank you for your strength and courage to weather this 100-year storm.

## IN MEMORIAM

We acknowledge the following citizens who passed away in 2006 for their dedicated service to the Town of Goffstown:

**JOSEPH ALONGI**

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

**HENRY T. GRADY**

SERVED ON BOARD OF SELECTMEN & SEVERAL OTHER BOARDS

**GERMAIN H. GOSSELIN**

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

**PATRICIA GUPTILL**

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

**MARGARET "PEGGY" NEVES**

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

**LIBERT L. SOUSA**

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER & FIRE WARDEN

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## TOWN INFORMATION

During King Phillip's War in 1734 Goffstown and West Manchester were designated as Narragansett No. 4, and used as shelter for officers and soldiers. The Town of Goffstown, incorporated 1761, is named for Colonel John Goffe, an early settler, soldier, and civic leader. Goffstown was originally a farming community. As the town was settled during the 1760's, the timber that was cleared was used in building ships. Oxen drew the wood to the village of Piscataquog and from there it was floated by raft to Newburyport, Massachusetts. The oxen route became known as Mast Road, now the main road through Goffstown.

Goffstown is located at 43°N and 71', 36°W in Hillsborough County nine miles west of Manchester on NH Route 114; north of Bedford on Route 114; east of New Boston on Route 13; south of Weare on Route 114; and 16 miles from Concord, the state capital of New Hampshire. The town has three boroughs or regions: Goffstown Village, Grasmere Village and Pinardville.

The Town has a population of approximately 17,784(2004 OEP) and occupies approximately 36.9 square miles. Town Hall elevation is 306' above sea level, and the top of Mt. Uncanoonuc is 1,321' above sea level.

A five member Board of Selectmen governs Goffstown. Legislative policy, including passage of the Town Budget, is determined by the annual Town Meeting. The Town provides a full array of governmental services, library and recreational services. At the 1996 Annual Meeting residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional town meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot.

**TOWN HALL:** Located at 16 Main Street, the Town Hall houses the following offices: Administration/Selectmen, Assessing, Building, Finance, Information Technology, Planning & Zoning, Sewer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk & Registration. Town office hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday; 8:30 am to noon on Wednesday; and 8:30 am to 6:00 pm on Thursday.

**Town Clerk:** Voter registration is with the Supervisors of the Checklist or Town Clerk. To register to vote, one must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen and a resident of Goffstown. New voter registrations for local, state and federal elections may be done at the polls on Election Day. For eligibility to vote at the Ballot Determination Meeting you must register 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for all elections.

Dog licenses expire on April 30 of each year. A dog must be licensed at four months of age. A rabies certificate is required. Fees are \$6.50 for neutered pets, \$9.00, if unaltered. A penalty of \$1.00 per month is assessed as of June 1 for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registrations, initiated at the Registration office, are due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Re-registration decals are available for an additional fee of \$2.50. Passenger, motorcycle, trailer and tractor

plates are also available in this office. The Town is on-line with NH Division of Motor Vehicles to provide a full range of motor vehicle registration services, including boat registrations. You must present your driver's license and your state issued renewal form, or previous registration.

**Property Taxes:** Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. A town-wide revaluation is due by 2008. The Assessing office has begun this process. The tax rate for 2006 was \$24.68 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

**Zoning:** The Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Goffstown was originally adopted and made effective on March 14, 1961. The Ordinance regulates land use throughout the town.



**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** The Fire Department provides services to the community from 3 facilities that are located throughout the Town. Fire Stations are located on Tirrell Hill Road in East Goffstown, Church Street in the Village and Mast Road in Pinardville. The Departments Administration is located at the Village Fire Station and can be contacted by calling 497-3619.

**POLICE:** The Goffstown Police Department is located on Route 114 across from the State Prison for Women. The department provides emergency response to a variety of situations within the community 24 hours a day.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** The Public Works Department is located at 404 Elm Street adjacent to the Transfer Station facility. Its office is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm. The Transfer Station for solid wastes and recyclables is located at 404 Elm Street, and is open to the public Tuesday

through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Curbside solid waste and recycling pickups are once a week.

LIBRARY: The Goffstown Public Library is located at the intersection of Main Street (Route 114), High Street and Elm Street adjacent to the historic Popcorn Stand. The library is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday during the school year. Check our web site at [www.goffstown.lib.nh.us](http://www.goffstown.lib.nh.us) for more information, or call us at 497-2102.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.: The Parks and Recreation Center is located at 155 S. Mast Street with meeting rooms and gymnasium for activities. The Dept. provides two supervised playgrounds with excellent summer programs, two public swimming pools, seven public tennis courts, athletic fields, a running track, and an outdoor ice-skating area, and a skateboard park. Extensive recreational activities for youth and adults are offered year-round.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: An elected nine member School Board governs the Goffstown School District; the Annual School District Meeting determines its budget. At the 1996 Annual Meeting the residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. School Department offices are located in the White Building at 11 School Street in Goffstown Village. The Superintendent of Schools serves the school districts of Goffstown, Dunbarton and New Boston. The public schools within Goffstown School District consist of the following: There are three elementary schools; Glen Lake School, located at 251 Elm Street, has a pre-school and kindergarten, Maple Avenue Elementary School in the Village and Bartlett Elementary School in Pinardville has grades 1-4; Mountain View Middle School, located at 41 Lauren Lane, has grades 5-8, and Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Road in the Village has grades 9-12, Mountain View Middle School and Goffstown High School accept tuition students from the Dunbarton and New Boston school districts.

# MEETING SCHEDULE

## Board of Selectmen

Every Monday at 6:00 PM unless posted otherwise. Meetings held in the Selectmen Meeting Room at Goffstown Town Hall.

## Budget Committee

Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

## Community Access Cable TV Committee

First Monday of the month at 6:30 PM at the GTV studio in Goffstown High School.

## Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) Committee

June through September, Wednesdays at 7:00 PM as needed.

## Conservation Commission

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

## Economic Development Council

Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

## Highway Safety Committee As needed

## Historic District Commission

Second Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

## Library Trustees

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Library.

## Parks & Recreation Committee

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Parks & Recreation Center.

## Planning Board

Second & fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

## School Board

First & third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown High School.

## Sewer Commission

Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

## Solid Waste Commission

Starting in January, the third Wednesday of every other month at 6:45 PM at the Goffstown Dept. of Public Works Building.

## Zoning Board of Adjustment

First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Meetings Schedule is subject to change in some cases, please contact the Town Offices or visit our website, [www.goffstown.com](http://www.goffstown.com) to confirm date and times on the municipal calendar.

# PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

## Governor

John Lynch

## United States Senators

Judd Gregg

John E. Sununu

## Representative in Congress

Carol Shea Porter - 1st. District

## Executive Councilor- District 5

Debora B. Pignatelli

## State Senator- District 20

Lou D'Allesandro

## Representatives to

### General Court DISTRICT 7

(2007-2008 Roster)

Russell C. Day

Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.

Richard E. Fletcher

Randolph (Rip) Holden

Bruce F. Hunter

Neal M. Kurk

Pamela V. Manney

Karen K. McRae

## Board of Selectmen

Barbara J. Griffin, *Chair* 2007

Bruce F. Hunter, *Vice Chair* 2007

Nicholas Campasano 2009

John Caprio 2009

Philip A. D'Avanza 2008

## Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark 2008

## Town Clerk

Donna A. Bergeron 2008

## Town Treasurer

Jean C. Mayberry 2008

## Administrative Officers

Sue Desruisseaux, MPA

*Town Administrator, Deputy Treasurer*

## Administrative Officers (cont.)

Michael French, *Police Chief,*

*Emergency Management Dir.*

Frank Carpentino, *Fire Chief and*

*Forest Fire Warden*

Carl L. Quiram, *Public Works*

*Director*

David L. French, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Jim Bingham, MS

*Asst. Town Administrator*

Janice O'Connell, MBA,

*Finance Director*

Gail Lavallee, *Tax Collector*

Renee Millson, *Dep. Tax Collector*

Ron Mace, *Assessor*

Edmond Neveu, *Building Inspector,*

*Building Code Enforcement*

*Officer, and Health Officer*

Stephen Griffin, AICP, *Planning &*

*Economic Development Coord.*

Derek Horne, *Zoning Code*

*Enforcement Officer*

Neil Funcke, MS, *IT Administrator*

Kerry P. Steckowych, *Prosecutor*

Paul Fitzgerald and William Drescher,

*Town Counsel*

## ADA Compliance Committee

Susan Desruisseaux, *Coord.*

Rosemary Garretson 2007

Richard Hopf 2007

Jean Mayberry 2007

Wayne Richardson 2007

Virginia McKinnon

*School Board Rep.* 2007

## Budget Committee

Daniel Cloutier, *Chair* 2009

Eric Geissenhainer, *Town*

*Sub-Committee Chair* 2008

Phillip E. Kendall II, *School*

*Sub-Committee Chair* 2007

Steve Fournier 2009

**Budget Committee (cont.)**

William Gleeson	2007
William Hart	2008
John Hikel	2008
Phillip Plourde	2009
Calvin Pratt	2009
Roger Richard	2007
Jeffrey A. Tate	2007
Suzanne Tremblay	2008
John Caprio, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Scott Gross, <i>School Bd. Rep.</i>	
Barbara Griffin, <i>Alt. Sel. Rep.</i>	
Keith Allard, <i>Alt. School Bd. Rep.</i>	
Richard Fletcher, <i>Goffstown Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	
William Gordon, <i>Grasmere Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	

**Building Board of Appeals**

Arthur Rose, Sr., <i>Chair</i>
Norman Chauvette
Darron Pierson
Wayne Richardson
David White
Paul Lebrun, <i>Alt.</i>

**Cable TV Access Committee**

Rosemary Garretson, <i>Chair</i>	2009
Donald Gagnon, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2008
Ryan Casey	2007
James Pingree	2007
Michael Przekaza	2009
Daniel Richer	2009
Marie Boyle, <i>Alt.</i>	2007
Barbara Doody, <i>Alt.</i>	2008
Patrick Tucker, <i>Alt.</i>	2009
James Bingham, <i>Gov't. Adv.</i>	
Howard Sobolov, <i>School Advisor</i>	
Richard Gagnon, <i>PEG Coordinator</i>	
1 Vacant	

**Cemetery Trustees**

Leon Konieczny, <i>Chair</i>	2009
Linda Reynolds-Naughton	2008
Jean Walker	2007

**C.I.P. Committee**

Frederick Plett, <i>Chair</i>	2007
Earl S. Carrel, <i>Community</i>	2007
Frederick P. Cass, <i>Community</i>	2007
Scott Gross, <i>Sch. Board. Rep.</i>	2007
Barbara Griffin, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	2007
Tim Redmond, <i>Planning Bd Rep.</i>	2007
Patrick Tucker, <i>Community</i>	2007
Suzanne Tremblay, <i>Budget Rep.</i>	2007
Keith Allard, <i>Alt. Sch. Bd Rep.</i>	2007
John Caprio, <i>Alt. Sel. Rep.</i>	2007
Stephen Griffin, <i>Planning Adv.</i>	2007

**Conservation Commission**

Evelyn Miller, <i>Chair</i>	2008
David Nieman, <i>Vice Chair.</i>	2007
Karen McRae	2009
Kimberly Peace	2008
Kimberly Ricard	2009
Susan Tucker	2009
Jean Walker	2007
Collis Adams, <i>Alt.</i>	2008
Amy Pollock, <i>Alt.</i>	2009
John Caprio, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Jim Bingham, <i>Gov't. Adv.</i>	
2 Vacant-Alt.	

**Economic Development Council**

Albert Desruisseaux, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2007
Richard Bruno	2009
Judith Desmeules	2008
Andre Gamache	2009
John Hikel	2007
Bryan King	2008
John E. Neville	2007
Robert Wheeler	2008
William Wynne	2009
Bruce F. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Stephen Griffin, <i>TA's Rep.</i>	
Alan Yeaton, <i>Planning Bd. Rep.</i>	
2 Vacancies	

**Goffstown Common****Oversight Committee**

David French, <i>Parks &amp; Rec Dir., Chair</i>	
Larry Brown, <i>Citizen Rep.</i>	2009

**Goffstown Common****Oversight Committee (cont.)**

Carl Quiram, *Public Works Dir.*  
Mark Rynearson, *Citizen Rep.* 2005

**Goffstown Village Water Precinct**

Allen D. Gamans, Jr. *Chair* 2010  
Henry C. Boyle 2008  
Richard Coughlin 2007  
Richard Fletcher 2009  
Raymond Taber 2011  
George Collins, *Moderator* 2007  
Linda Reynolds-Naughton, *Clerk*

**Grasmere Village Water Precinct**

Christine H. Daniels, *Chair* 2009  
Raymond St. Pierre 2007  
William Swanson 2008  
Diane Rand, *Clerk* 2007  
Bruce Rand, *Treasurer* 2007

**Highway Safety Committee**

Philip D'Avanza, *Sel. Rep.*  
Michael French, *Police Dept., Chair*  
Ruth E. Gage, *Community Rep.* 2006  
Stephen Griffin, *Planning & Economic  
Dev. Coordinator*  
Carl Quiram, *Public Works Dir.*

**Historic District Commission**

Philip D'Avanza, *Chair/Sel. Rep.* 2007  
Charles W. Carr 2007  
Lionel Coulon 2009  
Elizabeth Dubrulle 2009  
Annie Vincent 2007  
Rodney Stark, *Alt.* 2005  
David White, *Alt.* 2005  
Jim Bingham, *Adv.*  
2 *Vacant Positions*  
3 *Vacant Alt. Positions*

**Library Trustees**

Steve Brzozowski, *Chair* 2008  
Henry C. Boyle 2008  
Richard Chamberlain 2009  
Lisa Iodice 2007  
Susan Osburn 2007  
Michael Pelletier 2009

**Library Trustees (cont.)**

Susan Plante, 2008  
Ruth Anne Biron, *Alt.* 2009  
Brenda Pfahnl, *Alt.* 2009  
John Caprio, *Sel. Rep.*  
Calvin Pratt, *Budget Rep.*  
1 *Vacant Alt. Position*

**Municipal Records Retention  
Committee**

James Bingham 2007  
Donna A. Bergeron 2007  
Gail Lavallee 2007  
Ronald Mace 2007  
Jean Mayberry 2007

**Parks & Recreation Commission**

Robert P. Draper, *Chair* 2007  
George Havener, *Vice Chair* 2008  
Barbara Larkin 2007  
Kurt Lauer 2007  
D. Michael McKinnon 2009  
Philip C. Tatro 2008  
Susan Tucker 2008  
J. Claude LaRoche, *Alt.* 2007  
Barbara Griffin, *Sel. Rep.*  
Jeffrey Tate, *Budget Rep.*

**Planning Board**

JoAnn Duffy, *Chairman* 2009  
Lowell VonRuden, *Vice Chair* 2008  
Richard Georgantas 2007  
James Raymond 2007  
Timothy Redmond 2007  
Alan Yeaton 2009  
Nicholas Campasano, *Sel. Rep.*  
Douglas Brodeur, *Alt.* 2007  
William Zackeroff, *Alt.* 2008  
3 *Vacant Alt Positions*

**School Board**

Keith Allard, *Chairman* 2009  
Ellen Vermokowitz, *Vice Chair* 2007  
Lorry Cloutier 2007  
Scott Gross 2007  
Virginia "Ginny" McKinnon 2009  
Kent Nolan 2009

**School Board (cont.)**

Philip Pancoast	2008
Karen Pratt	2008
Sara Ann Sarette	2008
Jason DeYoung, <i>Student Rep.</i>	

**School Clerk**

Jo Ann Duffy	2009
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**School Moderator**

James Raymond	2009
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**School Treasurer**

Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.	2009
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**School District Administration****S.A.U. #19**

Darrell J. Lockwood, Ed.D. <i>Superintendent of Schools</i>	
Stacy Buckley, <i>Asst. Superintendent</i>	
Kathi Titus, <i>Asst. Superintendent</i>	
Raymond Labore, <i>Business Mgr.</i>	

**Bartlett Elementary School**

David Bousquet, *Principal*

**Goffstown High School**

Frank McBride, <i>Principal</i>	
Kim McCann, <i>Asst. Principal</i>	
Mary Singer, <i>Asst. Principal</i>	

**Maple Ave. Elementary School**

Marc A. Boyd, <i>Principal</i>	
Suzanne Pyszka, <i>Asst. Principal</i>	

**Mountain View Middle School**

Jim Hunt, <i>Principal</i>	
Fred Deppe, <i>Asst. Principal</i>	
Sandra Davis, <i>Assoc. Principal</i>	

**Glen Lake School**

Leslie Doster, *Principal*

**Sewer Commission**

Stephen R. Crean, <i>Chair</i>	2008
James A. Bouchard	2009
Paul LaPerle	2007
Bruce F. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	

**Solid Waste Commission**

Frederick Plett, <i>Chair</i>	2009
J. Robert Champagne	2007
Russell Day	2009
Paul LaPerle	2007
Andre Roy	2007
I. Richard Schaffner	2008
Donald Tuttle	2008
Bruce L. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Tom Fatcheric, <i>Advisor</i>	

**So. NH Planning Commission**

Henry C. Boyle	2010
JoAnn Duffy	2009
Barbara Griffin	2008
Anthony Marts, <i>Alt.</i>	2009

**Supervisors of the Checklist**

Patricia Wynne, <i>Chair</i>	2008
Christine Daniels	2012
Suzanne Tremblay	2007

**Trustees of the Trust Funds**

Kenneth Rose, <i>Chair</i>	2007
Earl S. Carrel	2008
Calvin Pratt	2009

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

Anthony Marts, <i>Chair</i>	2008
Wayne Richardson, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2008
Julie Grandgeorge	2007
Gail Labrecque	2007
William Wynne	2009
Marie Boyle, <i>Alt.</i>	2007
Denise Herman, <i>Alt.</i>	2008
3 Vacant alternates	

## SELECTMEN ANNUAL REPORT



*L-R: Vice Chairman Bruce Hunter, Selectman John Caprio, Chairman Barbara Griffin, Selectman Nicholas Campasano, and Selectman Philip D'Avanza.*

It is that time of year to review events and accomplishments of 2006. A significant event, which affected many residents, volunteers and employees was the Mother's Day flood and subsequent rains. This 100-year flood impacted many families throughout town and much of the town's infrastructure. There was a mandatory evacuation in the Moose Club, Lynchville, Danis and Dumont Park areas of town. The damage was extensive and it will take time to rebuild. We would like to acknowledge the strength and commitment of those affected both during and after the event. We would also like to thank the CERT volunteers and the employees in Public Works, Fire and Police Departments who worked long hours to assist those in need.

Several articles on your 2007 Annual Warrant are the result of work on our annual goals. Article 13 is a bond article to provide municipal water to the Lynchville and Danis park areas of town. This article is the result of a year-long study committee established by the Board. While the study committee recognizes other needs in this area – sewer, drainage and road improvements – at this time they restricted their recommendation to a municipal water system.

Articles 17 and 18 are the result of continued work funding the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Project. A 2003 architectural study for an ADA accessible addition estimated the cost at \$600,000. The plan is to raise half of that amount by taxes, and the other half by grants and fundraising. In 2005 the town voted to start a Capital Reserve Fund (CRF) for this purpose and appropriated the first of three \$100,000 payments to this fund. This year we seek

the second \$100,000. Article 18 seeks voter approval for Selectmen authority to expend from the CRF when grant monies become available.

Article 21 is a response to a 2005 warrant article requesting the Board to submit a plan for 24/7 Fire and EMS services. Stakeholder brainstorming sessions were held in October of this year, and a Fire/EMS Committee was formed with representatives from the stakeholder groups: Full-time Fire, Call Fire, EMS, Dispatch, Budget Committee, CIP, and residents. During the month of November the committee met and made a 24/7 recommendation, which calls for 10 additional full-time firefighters. This additional staff coupled with current full-time, call and per diem staff would ensure the Town has coverage from at least one fire station 24 hours per day 7 days per week.

Articles 22, 23 and 24 support the goal to increase the commercial/industrial tax base in Goffstown which at the present time is 89% residential, placing a great burden on homeowners. These articles call for adoption of: Chapter 162K, which grants the authority to establish districts; a TIF District Plan; and a Mast Road TIF District. During the year meetings were held with abutters to the proposed TIF District to explain these articles.

Another goal was to identify and apply for grants for the development of Rails-to-Trails. Although our application for a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality grant (CMAQ) received the highest ranking by Southern NH Regional Planning Commission, Goffstown did not receive the grant award. Consequently, there was much discussion regarding the State grant award process and changes to the process are being discussed at state level. Despite this setback the Greenway was successful in acquiring technical assistance for up to two years from the National Parks Service. Other grant applications are in process.

There were many efforts to increase recycling in town including a weekly newspaper campaign of "catching people doing it right", a professionally developed recycling video, and speaking with the school to increase recycling. Despite these efforts the 27% participation rate held constant. The Board will look at ways to increase participation in recycling.

Due to space constraints we continue to work with the Court to relocate in Goffstown. Three Goffstown sites are under consideration and the town has a lease with the court until December 31, 2007. It is our hope that one of these three sites will become a reality by the end of 2007.

The goal of presenting a Collective Bargaining Agreement for the Fire Union at Town Meeting was not achieved this year but we are hopeful that fact-finding will assist us in meeting this goal in 2007. Other goals, which will continue in 2007 include reviewing the CIP and Budget Process, Selectmen communications with the public and staff, and a review of town ordinances.

We recognize and thank the many volunteers who serve on town committees, commissions and boards. Your countless hours and efforts assist us in meeting the ever-increasing demands on municipal government. Thank you to the Main

Street Program volunteers for all your efforts in promoting Goffstown's community image. We thank the hardworking team of town employees who help carry out the Board of Selectmen goals and mission given by the voters. This year's accomplishments are due to the support of the Goffstown voters. Thank you and we look forward to your continued support.

#### GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Barbara J. Griffin, Chairman

Philip A. D'Avanza

Bruce F. Hunter, Vice-Chairman

John A. Caprio

Nicolas Campasano



*The Town Hall sign, part of 2005 Town Hall landscape project, which was completed by volunteers from the Rotary Club, Main Street Program and Town employees.*

## REPORT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SENATE TO THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

The spring floods presented some significant problems for the community. The Governor responded to the request of the Town and immediately called in the National Guard. The Police and Fire Departments, along with the National Guard did outstanding work in addressing the situation and providing much needed assistance. The Red Cross was also very helpful in providing food and shelter. I know that some of the residents still haven't recovered and it is an ongoing process. I continue to work with the Governor's office to try and solve these problems. I've met with the emergency management officials from Goffstown to discuss how we reacted and how we can improve if something like this happens again. There was a problem with cell phone reception at the police station, which impacted their ability to operate efficiently. I contacted Verizon and this problem has been resolved.

I am currently working with town officials and the congressional delegation with regard to the Lynchville/Danis Park water and sewer problems. I have visited the neighborhood and met with the residents. I understand the issues they face and every effort will be made to address their needs. This natural disaster was one of the most intense and serious situations that the community has faced in a number of years. I have the highest of praise for the resiliency of the community and the way people worked together during this time of crisis.

This year I will be Chairman of the Finance Committee. Our number one priority will be to produce a balanced budget that addresses the needs of the citizens of New Hampshire. In order to do this, we will be faced with a series of challenges that must be looked at and evaluated. Public input is always appreciated and the public hearings associated with the construction of the budget give an opportunity for NH citizens to express their opinions. It is this opportunity that makes our community very special.

If you would like to discuss a particular piece of legislation with me or if I can be of help with a problem or concern, please do not hesitate to call me at my office, 271-2600, or write me at: State House, Rm. 117, Concord, NH 03301.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lou D'Allesandro  
NH Senate, District 20

# 2007 ANNUAL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Goffstown in the County of Hillsborough qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet Wednesday, February 7, 2007 at seven o'clock in the evening at Goffstown High School in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 13, 2007. (Snow date for the first session is Thursday, February 8, 2007.)

You are further notified to meet Tuesday, March 13, 2007 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 13, 2007 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

## ARTICLE 1

To choose all Town Officers, Trustees, Commissioners, and School District Officers for the ensuing year.

## ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend the definition of subdivision, adding before the last sentence of this definition: "A lot line adjustment, even though creating no new lots, is a subdivision. A lot merger, reducing the number of lots, is not a subdivision." And to amend Section 9.3.2.4 to read: "Manufactured home parks are subject to all provisions of the zoning ordinance that affect residential subdivisions, except in the case of conflicting standards, in which case those in this Section shall govern. Parks between 10 and 20 acres in size are not controlled by Section 12.5 Open Space Developments, but should be designed in a clustered form, to the extent practicable, in order to achieve meaningful open spaces and to minimize required infrastructure."

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 1.4 dealing with interpretation of terms so that the existing language becomes Section 1.4.1 and a new Section 1.4.2 is added to read: "Any proposed use which cannot satisfy the setback requirements enumerated in this ordinance shall be considered presumptively unreasonable."

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

#### ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 7.4.1 by exempting this requirement in the VC district; amend Section 7.4.2, requiring that driveways be at least 50 feet from street intersections; and amend Section 7.4.3 by exempting this requirement in the VC district.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

#### ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 7.5 dealing with alternative parking arrangements so that: (1) Create a new Section heading 7.5.4 Parking Requirement Reduction; (2) Relocate Sections 7.5.3.2, 7.5.3.2.1 and 7.5.3.2.2 under this new heading; (3) Add "The number of parking spaces may be further reduced provided the Planning Board finds that the characteristics of the principal uses are such that the parking spaces will be occupied at different times by the respective uses that are sharing them, and that concurrent attempts at occupancy of the spaces will not occur" at the end of Section 7.5.3.2.2; (4) Delete "Within the RSBO-2, VC and C districts, the Planning Board may waive some or all of the parking requirements for the preceding reasons or in the event that the Board finds there to be sufficient parking in public parking lots, from on-street parking or from shared parking arrangements as described in Section 7.5.3, or from any combination thereof" from Section 7.5.2; (5) Add a new Section 7.5.4.2 to read; "Within the RSBO-1, RSBO-2, VC and C districts, the Planning Board may waive some or all of the parking requirements for the preceding reasons or in the event that the Board finds there to be sufficient parking in any combination from public parking lots, from on-street parking, or from shared parking arrangements as described in Section 7.5.3," and (6) Renumber Section 7.5.4 as 7.5.5.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

#### ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 8.4 dealing with outdoor lighting so that the last sentence reads: "The Planning Board may grant exceptions within Goffstown and Pinardville and Grasmere Village Centers, as defined by the Planning Board, and for outdoor recreational facilities and for historic purposes by Conditional Use Permit. In addition to Section 14.4.1 Conditional Use Standards, exceptions should perform some public purpose, for example, lighting a public sidewalk or other facility.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 9.3.2.3 dealing with manufactured homes and manufactured home parks, deleting the words “except in the case of age restricted housing when maximum density shall be 125% of that density”, and “Age restricted housing shall be that which requires one resident over 55 years of age and prohibits residents under 18 years of age,” thereby removing any density bonus for age restricted housing.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 12.2 Flood Hazard (FH) District, amending the floodplain ordinance as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section Add a new Section 4.5 to read as follows:

### 4.5 Emergency Housing

4.5.1 An emergency, and its duration, shall be as defined by the Board of Selectmen.

4.5.2 Manufactured housing and trailers, as defined in the glossary, which are licensed and ready for highway use, may be used as temporary housing during a declared emergency.

4.5.3 The Building Inspector may issue permits for emergency housing.

4.5.3.1 Permitting of emergency housing may be off site with appropriate property owner agreements.

4.5.3.2 Permitting of emergency housing shall include consideration of appropriate sewer and water availability, on or off site, and how such is to be provided in order to insure public health.

4.5.3.3 Permitting of emergency housing shall include appropriate consideration of flooding or other natural hazards in order to insure public health.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 3.10B by adding a new use: “Cemetery and burial ground” after Church and

synagogue”, to be allowed by Conditional Use Permit in the Agricultural district, with the addition of Supplemental Standards 5.22 to read as follows:

- 5.22.1 Cemeteries to be a minimum of 1 acre in size.
- 5.22.2 Cemeteries to be accessed by a class V, or better, public road.
- 5.22.3 Burial lots to be a minimum of 100 feet from any dwelling house, school house or school, store or other place of business.
- 5.22.4 Cemetery shall be provided with a fence and necessary gates.
- 5.22.5 There shall be a plan for suitable care and maintenance of the cemetery, which shall be provided to the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees.
- 5.22.6 There shall be a plan for operations and management of the cemetery, which shall be provided to the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees.
- 5.22.7 Records shall be kept in accordance with RSA 289, as amended, including (1) the location of a burial site shall be recorded in the deed to the property upon transfer of the property to another person, (2) there shall be records of every burial showing the date of burial and the name of the person buried, the lot, plot or part of such plot and lot in which the burial was made, and (3) such records shall be provided to the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 3.11-A, Accessory to Principal Residential Use, adding Residential Wind Turbine as a new accessory use allowed by Conditional Use Permit in the CO and A districts, with an asterisk referring to Supplemental Standards Section 5.23; and to add a new Section 5.23 to read as follows:

### 5.23 Residential Wind Turbine:

- 5.23.1 Towers are limited to one per property.
- 5.23.2 Towers are limited to 80 feet in height.
- 5.23.3 No part of the use, tower, guys or associated equipment, shall be within a required front, side or rear yard setback. The fall-zone of the tower, generator and blades shall, likewise, not be within these setbacks.
- 5.23.4 Noise of a normally operating wind turbine shall be certified by the equipment manufacturer to not exceeding 57 decibels at the closest neighboring inhabited dwelling.
- 5.23.5 Certification by the manufacturer or an engineer, that the system, its tower, base and footings, as well as equipment, all meet the requirements of the currently adopted edition of the International Building Code.

- 5.23.6 If connected, evidence shall be provided that the utility company has been notified of the applicant's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator.
- 5.23.7 The Planning Board may require wildlife and other surveys in determining location appropriateness.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 5.9 Dwellings in a building Accommodating Non-Residential Uses, changing its title to: "Mixed Use Development", and adding the criteria that in the C and CIFZ Districts where multi-family dwelling units are also allowed in residential buildings, or on the ground floor within a mixed occupancy building, the gross square footage of the residential use shall not be larger than the gross square footage of the non-residential use.

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$2,537,000) for the purpose of designing, constructing and installing a water distribution system which is more particularly described in an overall project plan dated October 18, 2006, which is intended to bring a water distribution system to the area of the Town of Goffstown known as the Lynchville and Danis Park areas, said improvements to be installed at the direction of and in accordance with the established requirements of the Town of Goffstown.

And to authorize the issuance of not more than One Million Six Hundred Forty Nine Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$1,649,050) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; to authorize municipal officials to raise a minimum of Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000) in grants and aid; and furthermore, to authorize municipal officials to utilize interest earnings on the invested bond proceeds of approximately Thirty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$37,950). Summary of proposed funding sources: \$1,649,050 (bond) + \$850,000 (grants/aid) + \$37,950 (bond interest) = \$2,537,000 (appropriation).

Without impairing in any way the fact that the bonds will be general obligations of the Town, it is the intent to repay this bond issuance by charging an Accessibility Fee to each property benefiting from this water distribution system. This project is contingent on effectuating an acceptable Inter-Municipal

Agreement with Manchester Water Works and a successful expansion of Manchester Water Works franchise area. (60% Ballot Vote required to pass).

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.***

**ARTICLE 14**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Sixteen Million Seven Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars (\$16,768,528).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Five Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$7,553,766).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$1,663,215) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Three Hundred Twenty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Four dollars (\$326,954) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: “Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Sixteen Million Seven Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars (\$16,768,528)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Sixteen Million Six Hundred Seventy One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$16,671,929), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.” NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

***Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen;***

***Recommended by the Budget Committee.***

**ARTICLE 15**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Seventy Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five Dollars (\$1,473,665) for the purpose of implementing the current phase of the Road Improvement Plan. The road improvement plan has been part of the CIP process since 2002 and annual appropriations for the plan have been approved as Special

Articles since 2002. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 16**

To see if the Town will direct the Board of Selectmen to include the Road Plan appropriation in the operating and default budgets beginning in 2008.

*Recommended by Board of Selectmen.*

### **ARTICLE 17**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be deposited into the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Capital Reserve Fund (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by Board of Selectmen. Not recommended by Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 18**

To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Capital Reserve Fund as provided by RSA 35:15. *Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.*

### **ARTICLE 19**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 20**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), to modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Goffstown, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$45,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$80,000. To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years preceding April 1 in the year the exemption is claimed, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$35,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less \$50,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$150,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.*

## ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$295,438) for the purpose of hiring ten (10) full-time firefighters. This amount is for six months, beginning July 1, 2007. These new positions added to current staff will provide coverage at one fire station 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Staffing will be a minimum of five (5) full-time firefighters per shift.

Said appropriation to be funded as follows:

- 1) reallocation of Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars (\$49,178) from the call firefighter related account lines to full-time employee related account lines in the 2007 Fire Department operating budget;
- 2) reallocation of Eighty Thousand One Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars (\$80,169) from EMS wage related account lines in the EMS operating budget to full-time employee related account lines in the 2007 Fire Department operating budget; and
- 3) the remaining One Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Ninety Two Dollars (\$166,092) to be raised by taxes.

The annualized (12 month) cost of hiring 10 full-time firefighters is Five Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Five Dollars (\$557,335).

Implementation of this article is contingent upon negotiating an agreement with the exclusive bargaining unit representative.

(These calculations are based on 2005 wage and cafeteria plan rates.) (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

***Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.***

## ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K:1, to adopt the provisions of RSA 162-K relative to Municipal Economic Development and Revitalization Districts so that the town will thereafter have all the authority, powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in that chapter.

***Presented by Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Planning Board.***

## ARTICLE 23

Assuming the adoption by the Town of Article 22, to see whether the town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K:3 & 5, to resolve that the adoption and implementation of the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan will serve a public purpose as the same as is contemplated in RSA 162-K:5 and to adopt the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan.

***Presented by Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Planning Board.***

## ARTICLE 24

Assuming the adoption by the Town of Article 23, to see whether the town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K:5, to create and establish the Tax Increment Financing District described in the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan and, in addition to establishing the district, establish the development program and tax increment financing plan more particularly set forth in said plan.

*Presented by Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Planning Board.*

## ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town, in accordance with RSA 32:15, will vote to increase the number of the Budget Committee elected at large members from nine (9) to twelve (12).

*Presented by Board of Selectmen upon recommendation of the Budget Committee.*

## ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Goffstown.

These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of Goffstown encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions. The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices.

*Submitted by petition.*

## ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to direct that records (including official minutes) of transactions and undertakings of all public bodies of the Town of Goffstown and of any and all Town public proceedings as defined in N.H. RSA 91-A:1-a are to include descriptive information reflecting the affirmative or negative vote cast and noted by each individual member of such public body on

all matters for which a vote is taken, such that member votes are recorded by name and subject matter of each vote.

*Submitted by petition.*

**ARTICLE 28**

To see if the Town will vote to privatize the medical ambulance services to establish twenty-four (24) hour coverage for the whole Town.

*Submitted by petition.*

**ARTICLE 29**

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 100% of revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in a conservation fund, established under RSA 36-A:5, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II, said funds to be used for conservation land and easement acquisition and costs associated therewith.

*Submitted by petition.*

**ARTICLE 30**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for the purposes of acquisition of land conservation easements and costs associated therewith to support the goals of conservation and open space. These funds will expire at the end of 2007 if they have not been used.

*Submitted by petition.*

*Not recommended by Board of Selectmen.*

*Not recommended by Budget Committee.*

**ARTICLE 31**

To hear the reports of Town Officers, Auditors and Committees and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**ARTICLE 32**

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our Hands and Seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007.

**GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Barbara J. Griffin, Chairman

Bruce F. Hunter, Vice Chairman

Nicholas Campasano

Philip A. D’Avanza

John A. Caprio

Then personally appeared the above named Barbara J. Griffin, Bruce F. Hunter, Philip A. D’Avanza, Nicholas Campasano, and John A. Caprio under oath that the above certificate by them is true.

Donna Bergeron, Town Clerk

# TOWN BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING

## MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2006

There were 252 voters present, out of 11,176 registered voters in the town.

**Town Moderator Rodney Stark called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.**

He recognized the Goffstown Police Explorers who served as the color guard and presented the colors.

He then recognized David French, Parks and Recreation Director, who presented the annual Clint Robinson/Lionel Cullerot Volunteer Award. This year's recipient was a father and son team, Matt and Bob Ferson.

Moderator then recognized Board of Selectmen chairman Gossett McRae who named the recipient of the annual Town Volunteer Award to be Henry Grady, who was unable to be present this evening. Mr. Grady has given 40 years of service to the community.

Mr. McRae also recognized Selectman Robert Wheeler, who will not be running for office this year. Mr. Wheeler received a round of applause.

Next, the moderator recognized State Senator Lou D'Allesandro, who had a resolution from the NH Senate to present to Larry Emerton for having served as the school moderator for the past forty years.

Moderator Stark then introduced the head tables – at his left, Finance Director Janice O'Connell, Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux, Sel. Phil D'Avanza, Sel. Bruce Hunter, Sel. Robert Wheeler, Sel. Barbara Griffin and Sel. Gossett McRae; to his right, Town Clerk Donna Bergeron, Town Scribe Marie Boyle and Assistant Moderator Larry Emerton.

Moderator explained the procedures for the meeting and said that we are not voting to pass or defeat anything tonight, just to decide what's going on the ballot for the election on March 14.

Moderator Stark asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the warrant. *Pam Manney so moved, seconded by Dan Cloutier. Motion passed. It was also moved, seconded and passed to take each article in turn.*

Moderator – We will begin with Article 9.

**ARTICLE 9 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Sixteen Million, Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Two Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$16,316,220).**

**This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million, Eight Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$7,824,629).**

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million, Nine Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand, Four Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars (\$1,923,423) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Three Hundred Ten Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety-One dollars (\$310,991) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Sixteen Million, Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Two Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$16,316,220)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Sixteen Million, Three Hundred Two Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars (\$16,302,486), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only."

**NOTE:** This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.*

**Sel. Wheeler** moved Art. 9 to be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded and passed.

**Sel. Wheeler** explained that this budget represents a dollar increase over last year's budget, of just over 1%, which should total a 12 or 13 cent increase per thousand. A \$200,000 house will have a tax increase of about \$24.60. There were two significant adjustments made in this budget, he said, one in the DPW where bridge repairs will be done in-house at a significant savings, and the other in the fire department, where the Selectmen decided to go with merging the fire, police, code enforcement, etc., into a public safety department.

**Article 9 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 10 - To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the International Brotherhood of Police officers, Local No. 371 representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Police Department running through December 31, 2010 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$40,277), such sum representing the additional costs attributable at current staffing levels paid in 2005. The estimated additional costs for 2007 over the costs in 2006 will be Fifty-Two Thousand, Sixty -**

Eight Dollars (\$52,068). The estimated additional costs for 2008 over 2007 will be Thirty-One Thousand, Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$31,218). The estimated additional costs in 2009 over the costs in 2008 will be Twenty-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars (\$27,787). The estimated additional costs in 2010 over the costs in 2009 will be Thirty-Three Thousand, Four Hundred Ten Dollars (\$33,410). The cost items for future years will be included in the operating budget. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9).

*Recommended by the Board of Selectman and Budget Committee.*

*Sel. D'Avanza moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. D'Avanza said this is a five-year agreement with a restructured cafeteria plan to help offset health insurance increases. It is recommended by both the selectmen and the budget committee.

Resident Collis Adams asked if all these articles go onto the ballot with the amounts recommended here, what will be the total tax impact? Sel. Wheeler replied that without the petitioned articles, it's an 18 cent increase on the tax rate. After the March elections, we'll be able to know the final results.

Resident James Kennedy asked if the current budget article doesn't provide funding for some of these things and it passes, will they be funded and how?

Sel. Wheeler explained that New Hampshire is not a home rule state. The authority that the budget committee, board of selectmen and legislative body [hold] are specific. If one of these articles goes beyond the law and it passes, the selectmen cannot act on that. Some of these petitioned articles are legal, and some are not, and they'll be discussed as they come up.

Sel. B. Griffin – Article 10 is the contract that has been negotiated with the police union. There are several articles that may or may not increase taxes; if they pass, and they can have a corresponding impact on the taxes that need to be raised.

Pam Manney of Votesmart asked if we have the ability to bring up articles up again under reconsideration. The moderator replied we do and said that motion can be made anytime during the meeting.

**Article 10 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 11 - “ To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Department of Public Works, running through December 31, 2010 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Thirty-Five Thousand, Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$35,518); such sum representing the additional costs attributable at current staffing levels paid in 2005. The estimated additional costs for 2007 over the costs in 2006 will be Twenty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Four Dollars (\$25,904). The estimated additional costs for 2008 over the costs in 2007 will be Thirty-Six Thousand, Twenty-Two Dollars**

(\$36,022). The estimated additional costs in 2009 over the costs in 2008 will be Thirty-Two Thousand, Forty-Seven Dollars (\$32,047). The estimated additional costs in 2010 over the costs in 2009 will be Forty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$49,659). The cost items for future years will be included in the operating budget. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9).”

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.*

*Sel. McRae moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. McRae explained that this is a five-year agreement with the Teamsters Union which represents the DPW workers. Also, there’s an annual safety bonus for safe practices resulting in no workers’ compensation or property liability claims, and an annual adjustment of 4%, 4%, 3%, 3% and 4%.

**Article 11 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 12 - “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Twenty-One Thousand dollars (\$1,821,000) for the purpose of implementing the current phase of the road Improvement Plan. The road improvement plan has been a part of the CIP process since 2002 and annual appropriations for the plan have been approved as Special Articles since 2002. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3,VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9).**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.*

*Sel. Hunter moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. Hunter explained this is the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Road Improvement plan, and is \$44,000 less than last year’s request. The program’s goal is to rebuild roads, which are below the acceptable level and maintain them to reduce costly rebuilding of roads.

**Article 12 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 13 - “To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K-1, to adopt the provisions of RSA 162-K, relative to Municipal Economic Development and Revitalization Districts, so that the Town will thereafter have all the authority, powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in that chapter.**

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.*

*Sel. McRae moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. McRae explained that articles 13, 14 and 15 are connected. For years we’ve been trying to get more commercial and industrial tax base in town. We now have roughly 90% residential and only 10% commercial/industrial. This is to institute a TIF – Tax Incentive Financing plan, whereby we can use the money in a district to build a feeder road that would run parallel to Mast Road, to prevent more congestion on Mast Road and further curb cuts. The planning

board will tell people who are developing in the area that they have to put in a strip of road in the back of their property. This will give us the money to connect all these strips into a feeder road.

Jason Sachs asked why the area between Henry Bridge Road and the police station are shown even though they are not a part of the flex zone, and he offered an amendment to Article 14.

Sel. McRae explained that they need that piece of land if Henry Bridge Road is extended to make an even four-way intersection.

Several questions were asked about maintenance, water, etc., and Sel. McRae explained that this would be a new road and like any developer-built road, the developer pays for the utilities. We will just be paying for the sections that the developer will not build.

Economic development chairman Phil Tatro explained that the district will be set up until the area is fully developed – then the tax revenue from it would go back into the general fund.

H. Boyle asked if the new road would be going behind private homes – answer was yes.

Julie Grandgeorge asked if the town would fund this road and would be compensated later. Sel. McRae said no, the expectation is that as developments come in they'll be mandated to build a portion of the road at the back of their properties. This fund will pay for the little sections that will not be built by developers.

Dick Georgantas explained this is a tool for the planning board that came out of the corridor study to help us as development comes along Mast Road. We think it's one of the key areas that will be developed. This is also a way to control the Mast Road traffic – by putting in feeder roads.

**Article 13 will go on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 14 = “Assuming the adoption by the town of Article 13, to see whether the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K:3 and 5, to resolve that the adoption and implementation of the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District plan will serve a public purpose, as the same is contemplated in RSA 162-K:5 and to adopt the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan.**

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.*

*Sel. McRae moved the article and it was seconded.*

Jason Sachs proffered an amendment to article 14: **“To amend Article 14 to remove all portions of lot 6-39 (presently owned by Hillsborough County) from the proposed TIF district.”**

P. Tatro explained that land is being looked at because for Henry Bridge Road to be properly aligned, it needs to be included.

J. Sachs – I keep hearing we need more commercial/industrial land and I think it's being overdone. Some areas in town have value other than commercial or industrial, and I think this is one of them.

G. McRae – I hope people will not vote for this amendment – we need that small corner for the road.

T. Wynne – As we're talking about this, I realized this is my yard. Can you just do this? Is this a Judge Souter thing? Is the game plan to purchase the land for the road?

Sel. McRae said yes, but if we take land by eminent domain, we do pay for it. This won't give us any greater eminent domain rights.

*Vote on the amendment – amendment failed.*

**Article 14 will go on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 15 – “Assuming the adoption by the town of Article 14, to see whether the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K:5 to create and establish the Tax Increment Financing District described in the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District plan and, in addition to establishing the district, establish the development program and tax increment financing plan more particularly set forth in said plan.”**

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.*

*Sel. McRae moved the article and it was seconded.*

There were no questions.

**Article 15 will appear on the warrant as printed.**

**ARTICLE 16 – “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be deposited into the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund and furthermore, to appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund as provided by RSA 35:15. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9).**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.*

*Sel. D'Avanza moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. D'Avanza explained that this is the second year of a three-year plan in CIP, to approve ADA compliance for that building. The specs and design plans were done by an architect with a grant. This would also authorize the selectmen to spend from those funds.

N. Campasano – Last year article 20 to establish the fund was separate from article 21 which appointed the selectmen as agents. Article 21 did not pass last year; why incorporate them this year? **I'd like to amend this article, removing the selectmen as agents. Motion was seconded.**

The amendment reads: **“To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), to be deposited into the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund.”**

Pam Manney asked the selectmen, if this amendment passes, how would that affect the process of the money being spent when the need arises?

Sel. D'Avanza explained this gives the selectmen the authority to accept grants, etc., and to spend matches for those grants. This allows us to spend money as grants become available. Much of this is privately-donated money.

D. Georgantas – I think people fear that the selectmen can move that money around – as I understand it, this is dedicated money only for the Grasmere Town Hall.

Sel. Wheeler said the idea of these dollars is that, unless they're matched by other money we cannot spend what's there. That's a condition from CIP. I think we need the opportunity to react to grants and matching dollars other than once a year.

*Vote on amendment – the amendment was defeated.*

**Article 16 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 17 – “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of purchasing an excavator. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9).**

*Sel. Wheeler moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

Sel. Wheeler explained that the town currently rents an excavator at the rate of \$50,000 a year. For \$100,000 the town can own its own excavator. This \$100,000 was removed from the road improvement article.

H. Boyle – Is that \$100,000 in addition to the \$44,000 in the explanation? (Answer was yes).

Cathy Ball asked, what is the definition of a petitioned article?

Sel. McRae said to look at the blue sheet on the bottom of article 23 – it says ‘submitted by petition.’

**Article 17 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 18 – “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars ((\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the non-profit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9).**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.*

*Sel. D'Avanza moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

There were no questions on this article.

**Article 18 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 19 – “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Ninety-Four Thousand, Four Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars (\$94,427) from the EMS Special Revenue Fund to reimburse the Town's general fund for the purchase of the new ambulance in 2005. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9 and results in revenue to the general fund, so that property taxes will not be raised to pay for the ambulance).”**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.*

*Sel. Barbara Griffin moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. Griffin explained that there was an accident last year that resulted in loss of an ambulance. Insurance covered part of the cost and the remainder was raised with DRA's approval by emergency appropriation. The town has an EMS revenue account set up for an occasion like this, and this is just to replace the money from the general fund that covered this.

**Article 19 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 20 – “To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees indefinitely, until rescinded, to accept on behalf of the library, gifts of personal property other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose pursuant to RSA 202-A:4-d. This vote will remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of town meeting. The library board of trustees must hold a public hearing before accepting any such gift valued at over \$5,000, and the acceptance shall not bind the library to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, repair, or replacement of such personal property.**

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.*

*Sel. B. Griffin moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. Griffin explained that this is enabling legislation for when money is appropriated; who has the authority to spend it.

**Article 20 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 21 – “To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen, in their judgment, to transfer permanent and non-exclusive easement rights, license land rights or otherwise grant property rights in property owned by the Town of Goffstown, State of New Hampshire, shown on tax map 34, lot 177 and known as (East Union Street Pump Station), to a private developer for the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for use in conjunction with the proposed development project on property located at tax map 34, lot 171 on Factory St. and East Union St. The easement rights proposed for conveyance by the town of Goffstown for the benefit of lot 171 including a storm water drainage easement and a joint driveway access easement. In addition to the consideration set forth above, the town shall also receive easements over lot 171, allowing a common driveway access, pedestrian river walk access, public utilities, snowplow turnaround and any other provisions required by the Goffstown planning board. The final form of the easements referenced in this warrant article 21 shall be in a form satisfactory to the town attorney. The selectmen are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to carry this article into effect.**

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.*

*G. McRae moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

Sel. McRae explained the article – a developer proposed to develop the old factory in the village and he has requested selectmen to grant an easement and

has offered an easement to the town to put in some utilities. The article only deals with this easement.

Cathy Ball said she's never heard of an offer of \$10,000 at any public meetings.

Sel. McRae said he hadn't either in July. He asked the planning people to call the developer to see if he was interested, and he said he was and made the offer,

C. Ball asked if the \$10,000 would help meet the bottom line of the budget. Sel. McRae said only minimally.

C. Ball amended the article as follows: **“To see if the Town will vote to sell, transfer easement rights, license land rights or otherwise grant property rights in Town-owned property at Map 34, Lot 177 (East Union St. Pump Station) to a private developer for use in conjunction with the proposed development project on Map 34, Lot 171.”**

C. Ball noted that if this amendment passes, it will make both articles (this and article 23) identical, and it will simplify the town warrant.

She said she's not in favor of this development. This is to put the question before the voters and have the people see if their public land would be given to a private developer. Articles 21, 22 and 23 all refer to easements.

R. Dunn asked if this would set a precedent if another developer wants to develop. If all 3 articles fail, will it be dead in the water?

Sel. McRae said it's up to the developer. The issue is, do the voters want to approve these easements?

Sel. Griffin said that article 23 as it currently stands would be advisory.

T. Wynne – Is it legally binding?

Sel. Griffin said the selectmen believe it's advisory only. I would urge you to vote against the amendment.

N. Campasano asked if the amendment passed, would the selectmen have the authority to transfer the easement rights? (Answer was no). He noted the planning board voted not to recommend the drainage easements – the conservation commission and the Piscataquog Watershed Assn. voted against it.

D. Georgantas – If you think this development is beneficial to the community, go for it and not for the \$10,000 – if you don't, don't.

P. Jenkins said he feels the development is so large it's going to overwhelm the property - 60 condos is overdoing the site in his opinion.

*A motion was made, seconded and passed for a standing vote. The amendment passed 105 – 71.*

**Article 21 will appear on the ballot as amended.**

**ARTICLE 22 – “To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen, in their judgment, to grant a permanent, non-exclusive access easement across the rail to trail corridor owned by the Town of Goffstown, State of New Hampshire, to a private developer for use in conjunction with the proposed development project located on property at Tax Map 34, Lot 171**

on Factory Street and East Union Street. The final form of the easements referenced in this Warrant Article 22 shall be in a form satisfactory to the town attorney. The selectmen are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to carry this article into effect.”

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen*

*Sel. Griffin moved the article and it was seconded.*

Sel. Griffin asked that the voters pass this in March. It relates to access to that lot. The town has acquired the path to the rail trail but this particular crossing wasn't dealt with. This would clarify access so the property that crosses this can continue to do so. This is not related to the development; it has to do with access.

C. Ball moved to amend article 22 and it was seconded.

The amendment read, “**To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen, in their judgment, to grant a permanent, non-exclusive access easement across the rail to trail corridor owned by the Town of Goffstown, State of New Hampshire, to Janigan Associates (the owner of the property located at Tax Map 34, Lot 171 on Factory Street and East Union Street). The final form of the easements referenced in this Warrant Article 22 shall be in a form satisfactory to the town attorney. The selectmen are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to carry this article into effect.**”

The moderator declared the amendment out of order since it changes the subject matter of the original article.

N. Campasano said the easement papers have already been drawn up by counsel. Public hearings were held with a specific developer and the easements are in relation to that.

D. Georgantas said this is simple – no matter what goes on that property, since the rail trail has gone in, somebody has to be given access. It has nothing do to with the development, just with access.

N. Campasano said that lot does need access. It's owned now by Janigan. When he sells that land the easement which is recorded on the deed travels with it. Once it's on a deed, it travels with the deed.

Moderator Stark stated that easements may or may not run with the land, depending on how they're written.

**Article 22 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 23 – “To see if the town will vote to sell, transfer easement rights, license land rights or otherwise grant property rights in Town-owned property at Map 34, Lot 177 (East Union Street Pumping Station), to a private developer for use in conjunction with the proposed development project on Map 34, Lot 171.”**

*Submitted by petition.*

Moderator Stark said since this is identical in language to the amendment that was passed in 21, there's no need to discuss it.

***Dan Cloutier moved to have a secret ballot on the amendment to article 23 – motion was seconded.***

Moderator explained that the amendment was offered first. It would replace the language that's in the warrant with the language that's in the warrant as article 21. The amendment puts the original article 21 into the place of what's in 23. You need five signatures to request a written ballot.

The five signatures were affixed to the request.

Collis Adams felt this should be declared out of order since people have already left. The moderator said this should be considered a reconsideration, and can be moved anytime during the meeting. People who leave early are taking their chances.

Moderator called the checklist supervisors forward. He said we're voting on whether to change article 23 so it will read the same as article 21 does in the warrant before it was amended.

***The results of the secret ballot voting was yes, 58; no, 114. The amendment failed.***

**Article 23 will go on the ballot as printed.**

Moderator stated that if this meeting lasts past midnight, it will be adjourned until tomorrow night at 7 p.m.

**ARTICLE 24 – “To see if the Town will vote to endorse the Board of Selectmen’s decision to consolidate Police, Fire, EMS and Code Enforcement services into a Public Safety Department administered by a Public Safety Director. The savings from this administrative consolidation will result in a reduction of Seventy-Seven Thousand Sixteen Dollars (-\$77,016). (This appropriation is a reduction of Article 9).”**

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee***

***N. Campasano moved to reconsider Article 23 – then amended his motion to restrict reconsideration. Then he amended that motion to restrict reconsideration of the vote on article 21 – motion was seconded.***

Moderator – If you vote yes then you want to put article 21 as amended, back on the floor for more debate and another vote – if you vote no, you don't want to do that.

***No's were overwhelming – article 23 will not come up again tonight.***

***Sel. Wheeler moved article 24 and it was seconded.***

Sel. Wheeler explained the selectmen's view of Chapter 154 of the NH RSAs, which is the foundation upon which the selectmen went forward with this concept. The legislative body said we choose - that they did but after that the responsibility goes to the governing body to formulate policy.

He said this isn't a new concept – the state of NH has a public safety department. The calls to the Fire Department are mostly EMT, not fire calls. First responders are historically policemen, not firemen. The board thinks this concept makes sense.

Dan Cloutier, budget committee chairman said he's spoken with the DRA and has been told that this is not an appropriation article, therefore the budget committee does not have the authority to recommend or not – and those words should be stricken.

Charlie Carr - How can you say you're saving \$77,016 when you're hiring an administrator and adding cross-training?

Sel. Wheeler said the answer was contained in the document concerning the merger.

John Caprio said he has a letter from the attorney general's office, stating that the AG's office is under the impression that the voters will be allowed to determine on this reorganization. If the voters turn this down, is it your intention to go forward with this reorganization?

Sel. Wheeler said, what I say is not binding on the board – I won't be on the board next year, I'm not running. It's up to that board.

T. Gamache asked why the sudden move to public safety.

Sel. Wheeler said this has been an ongoing discussion since a year ago.

T. Gamache – You said other towns have done public safety committees – most of them did studies and studied the effects and discussed the pros and cons. You said we'll save \$77,000, but how much will it cost us later on?

Sel. Wheeler said he agreed with her assessment but he thinks it will be less than the alternative.

Scott Gross said he fears that this article is also not binding. Why the word 'endorse'?

R. Wheeler – I refer you to RSA 154 from whence all our authority comes.

H. Boyle – I don't think this has anything to do with RSA 154 – it says this appropriation will reduce article 9. Are you taking this out of the operating budget? Can you do that? It's a savings, not an appropriation.

R. Wheeler – It wasn't until John Caprio made contact with the DRA and Dan Cloutier visited the DRA and they said they were not going to apply that as an appropriation.

H. Boyle – Where is the appropriation? It says, this appropriation.

R. Wheeler – The people at DRA said they won't recognize that as an appropriation.

Peter Jenkins spoke of his experiences during 34 years on the fire department, and his opinion that the call people aren't being considered in the present fire department administration.

N. Campasano was a call man in Goffstown 23 years ago. He feels the plan before us was conceived in haste and in secret. We're being asked to vote first and discuss later. The selectmen have said this vote would not be binding. There's an opposing legal opinion on that. ***I'm moving an amendment to Article 24 – “To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to stop any and all efforts to consolidate police, fire, EMS, and code enforcement***

services into a public safety department administered by a public safety director.” *It was seconded.*

R. Wheeler felt that RSA 154 does not permit the proffered amendment.

Moderator Stark said it’s not his job to decide whether it does or not – I accept the amendment.

Former fire chief Ed Hunter spoke of his experiences during 27 years on the department, and urged people to vote for the amendment.

*The moderator called for a vote and the amendment passed.*

*N. Campasano moved to reconsider – motion was seconded. Motion did not pass – article will not be reconsidered.*

**Article 24 will appear on the ballot as amended.**

The moderator noted that it’s now 12:15 a.m. so we’ll adjourn this now and continue it tomorrow night at 7 p.m. same place.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

## GOFFSTOWN BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING

(Continued) – Feb. 9, 2006

The meeting continued at 7 p.m. on Feb. 9, 2006. There were 141 registered voters present.

Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**ARTICLE 25 – “To see if the town will vote to continue the Police and Fire Departments as the separate entities they have been for many years, and restore to office any personnel who may have been removed from said office, if reorganization has begun before this vote.”**

*Submitted by petition.*

*Charlie Carr moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

C. Carr - This article not only tells the selectmen that we want to keep the departments separate, but that we want to keep the fire chief as the fire chief. It seems as if it was quite obvious although the selectmen denied it, that the intent was to get rid of the fire chief. You don’t start a merger by getting rid of a department.

Sel. Wheeler asked where Mr. Carr felt the authority was granted that the people could do this. New Hampshire is a specific authority state, not a home rule state. He asked Mr. Carr what he didn’t understand about RSA 154.

Terry Clapp said that RSA 154 gives the voters and only the voters – the legislative body – the authority to make that change.

Sel. Wheeler said Mr. Clapp had the right idea but the wrong conclusion. The selectmen have no intent to change under 154, their organizational structure.

T. Wynne said the board of selectmen is missing the point. It’s not whether there’s a change in the fire department, but the way it was presented to us because there aren’t enough facts about this public safety department. The selectmen have lost the people’s trust. We voted you in and expected you to do

what we wanted you to do. Don't hide behind 154 – if these articles pass, legal or not, we want you to do what we want.

Sel. Griffin said she can't remember the last time people acted like this – she thinks it was over trash. There are certain statutes we have to follow – when people come to vote in March they'll vote on nothing that's binding. You can vote people out of office – this is not a home rule state. Our position is that article 25 is not binding.

T. Wynne – We ask you to do it whether it's legally binding or not. You represent us.

B. Griffin – And if you asked us to spend \$10 million more than in the budget, should we do it? And raise your property taxes? Can I go to DRA and say, that's what they asked us to do?

Collis Adams – I think tonight is turning into a public hearing and not a deliberative session. Before you do this, give the people a chance to be heard. This is the first opportunity they've had. This is turning into a public hearing, which should have been held prior to the process being set in motion.

Sel. Griffin said there are meetings every week – she hasn't heard any questions of substance about the selectmen's proposal.

N. Campasano said there are always differing legal opinions. Last night we heard what the selectmen used in their written appeal to the Superior Court when they asked that court to lift the injunction and allow them to continue the consolidation. They believe they have the power they say they do. RSA 154-17 is an example. It says, **“If in any town, village district, precinct, city or area, apparatus for the extinguishment of fires is provided at the public expense, RSA 154:1 through 16 shall apply, and fire wards or fire engineers shall be duly elected or appointed. But the bylaws now in force in any town relating to the extinguishment of fires, election of fire wards, fire engineers or fire chiefs, shall remain in force, subject to being repealed or superseded by vote of the town.”**

On Jan. 23, the selectmen filed an appeal and listed their interpretation and we heard it last evening. Today the Superior Court denied that appeal.

Karen Battey asked if articles 25 and 26 are binding. Sel. Griffin replied they are not binding.

*The previous question was moved, seconded and passed.*

**Article 25 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 26 – “To see if the Town will vote to reaffirm the continuation of separate Fire and Police Departments, with each department run by a fire chief and a police chief, with each being the distinct department head for their respective departments.”**

*Submitted by petition*

*Mark Lemay moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

Mr. Lemay said this article is self-explanatory – by voting for this article you will be acknowledging the need to have a distinct department head overseeing each department.

Moderator Stark noted it's very similar to the amended article 24 we did last night. It makes it difficult for voters and could confuse people.

**Article 26 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 27 – “To see if the Town will vote to direct and require the board of selectmen to reinstate Frank Carpentino to the position of Fire Chief and department head of the Fire Department.”**

*Submitted by petition.*

*M. Lemay moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

Mr. Lemay then presented an amendment, adding a \$100,000 appropriation, which has not been warned to the people. The moderator deemed the amendment out of order and unacceptable.

Mr. Lemay said he came up with the \$100,000 – the \$77,000 that was talked about last night is already in the budget – the rest is for something that was given to somebody as an additional chore.

Moderator Stark said that last night all reference to the \$77,000 was deleted and he didn't want to debate this any longer.

D. Cloutier said both salaries and benefits for the fire chief are already in the budget; the budget committee didn't reduce that.

Dick Georgantas said he saw this kind of behavior before – when the school teachers were up against a pay issue. I believe we're here tonight because there's a breakdown between the selectmen and Mr. Carpentino. My recommendation to the voters is to vote no on every article having to do with the consolidation. I think the selectmen handled this incredibly badly.

**Article 27 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 28 – “To see if the Town will vote to make the position of Public Safety Director an elected position with a two-year term, should the Town legislative body approve the consolidation of the public safety service. The election of the Public Safety Director shall not be held until the next succeeding annual meeting, following the approval of this article.”**

*Submitted by petition*

*Mark Lemay moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

M. Lemay – Under RSA 41:7 it provides for the adoption of a 1-2 or 3 year term. This would put the police chief above the whims of the selectmen and allow him to run the public safety service in the best interest of the town.

Sel. Wheeler asked how he got from police chief to public safety director. Mr. Lemay replied it was because the selectmen put the police chief in that position.

**Article 28 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 29 – “To see if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of paragraphs I and II of NH RSA 154:5, which includes allowing a fire chief’s tenure to be based on good conduct and efficiency and provides for the suspension and/or dismissal of a fire chief only for cause, after he or she has been presented with a written specification of the reasons.”**

*Submitted by petition*

***M. Lemay moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.***

Mr. Lemay said this article seeks to adopt the provisions of RSA 154:5

Sel. Wheeler stated the town has already adopted RSA 154 – it’s already in place.

P. Manney – Are articles 27, 28 and 29 binding?

Sel. Wheeler said Article 27 – no; article 28 – nothing authorizes this as an elected position; 29 – the law is already on the books.

N. Campasano said that no record appears on any town records of article 154 being adopted as selectmen said it had.

**Article 29 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 30 – “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$221,258 (above the 2006 operating budget) of the \$402,893 necessary to employ 18 additional full time firefighter/EMTs within the Goffstown Fire Department, in order to implement 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, fire and fire-based Emergency Medical Services, staffing a minimum of two fire stations. The effective date of hiring nine new full-time Firefighter/EMTs shall commence effective July 1, 2006, and the effective date of which the remaining nine full-time Firefighters / EMTs shall commence with a hiring date of September 1, 2006.”**

*Submitted by petition*

*Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen*

*Not recommended by the Budget Committee*

***Bill Connor moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.***

Bill Connor said article 30 is a true plan for 24 hours a day /7 days a week, fire and emergency medical services for the citizens of Goffstown. He gave a short history of how they came to this article, including a panel that was formed to look at the future of the fire department, and which produced a document toward providing round-the-clock fire and EMS services. Nothing happened. About 1 ½ years ago the firemen petitioned the selectmen for relief – nothing happened. In 2004 the board directed Chief Carpentino to put together a plan – he was given 30 days to produce it. He did - and nothing happened. Last March the voters asked the board to put together a plan for 24/7 staffing of at least one station. Nothing happened until late summer when the board put an EMS- only pilot program in place.

This article was put together by residents and firefighters taking all of the prior things into consideration. He explained how it would work and where the

financial figures were put together. This plan would not eliminate the call force. Public safety organizations do not exist in nearby communities although public safety buildings do, but that has nothing to do with a merger.

Steve Pascucci said he was surprised to realize that Goffstown did not have 24/7 coverage. He's from Cambridge, Mass., where they always had it. He described a case where a woman in his restaurant fainted and it took over 40 minutes for EMTs to respond.

D. Georgantas said he's not really sure he's in favor of 24/7 because he hasn't seen any sound reports. If we do need 24/7, maybe we don't need 18 new men. He urged everyone not to support this article until there have been public discussions on this.

Bob Dunn said we have no idea what it will cost to merge the fire and police departments. You're talking six additional supervisory positions – then a consultant to put the plan together. I don't think we have a plan.

T. Wynne – I agree with Dick Georgantas – this plan is more than we asked for. What is the tax impact on us for this? Is this article binding?

Firefighter Maurice Mailhot – I did ask the town for financial advice – we couldn't get a solid number.

Sel. Wheeler asked where the money for this would come from.

Mr. Mailhot explained where they got the numbers – some came from firefighter wages, full-time and overtime. In 2005 we used approximately half of that labor. The plan won't go into effect until after Sept. Out of \$382,000 we only used \$181,000 – that leaves \$200,000 for six months. He also compared the costs of Goffstown's fire service to Bedford's and Hooksett's. He explained how the stations would be manned with seven people on duty. We spoke with the chief and he said he could run the department with these numbers.

Sel. Wheeler said he's having a difficult time keeping up with this plan – the transition between all or part-time to full-time. What happens to the call people when you extract this money that they're accustomed to?

M. Mailhot said they're not trying to push the call people out. Every week we have call force people working with us. I started on the call force. I got on it to help people. I don't think anybody in NH is a call firefighter for the money.

T. Wynne asked if the article is binding.

Sel. Griffin said as far as the appropriation of funds, it's a valid article.

***Karen McRae moved the previous question, it was seconded and passed.***

**Article 30 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 31 – “To see if the Town will vote to require that, in order to be elected or to serve as a selectman, one must physically reside within the town of Goffstown.”** *Submitted by petition.*

***Charles Carr moved the article and it was seconded.***

Mr. Carr explained this was an item in the 2004 proposed charter. This was considered when word got out that two of our selectmen were living out of town.

The RSAs only say that a selectmen must have a domicile in the town – they don't have to live here.

Sel. Griffin noted that legal counsel said this article is not within the town meeting's legal authority – this is not a home rule state.

**Article 31 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 32 – “To see if the Town will vote to adopt provisions of RSA 40:14 to delegate the determination of the Goffstown Town Default Budget to the municipal budget committee.”**

*Submitted by petition.*

C. Carr – I 'm not going to move this article if I don't move it, it goes away. This article and article 33 are nearly identical.

The moderator asked if anyone wished to move the article - nobody did. Moderator Stark said he doesn't know what happens if we don't move an article to the floor. There was a long discussion about what should be done about this and other articles that were almost like others.

J. Tate asked if an article is submitted by petition, isn't it placed on the ballot unless it's amended? (Answer was yes).

Moderator – Apparently, we don't care if it's on the ballot or not.

M. Mailhot moved that we restrict reconsideration on all of the articles up to 31 talked about tonight. Motion was seconded and passed.

**Article 32 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 33 – “To see if the Town of Goffstown shall adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14b to delegate the determination of the default budget to the Municipal Budget Committee, which has been adopted under RSA 32:14.”**

*Submitted by petition.*

*John Caprio moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

Mr. Caprio explained that now the governing body determines the default budget. The budget committee process is very detailed and open. We have not seen the DRA's spreadsheet on the default budget for the past three years. The governing body will determine that default budget in a manner that's friend to them. Under the current situation nobody other than the governing body participates and influences how the default budget is calculated. Voters should support this article and the one on the school warrant.

J. Duffy said the school board has taken the position that this article needs a 3/5 majority to pass.

Sel. Wheeler said he also thinks it would need a 60% vote to pass.

Mark Germana asked if the budget committee was in favor of this article.

D. Cloutier said the committee had not yet discussed it.

**Article 33 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 34 - “To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with RSA 32:15, to reduce the number of members of the Budget Committee from sixteen (16) to thirteen (13) members, of which nine (9) members are to be elected at large, three each year for 3-year overlapping terms. Four representatives shall be selected for one-year terms, one each from the selectmen, the school board, the Goffstown Water Precinct and the Grasmere Water Precinct.” Submitted by petition**

*C. Carr moved the article and it was seconded.*

C. Carr said this was a provision in the 2004 proposed charter. The budget committee, being as large as it is, has longer meetings and not necessarily more representation. J. Caprio apologized to Mr. Carr because he no longer supports this article. The points are valid, but he thinks by reducing the elected number of officials, you raise the rate of appointed officials in the governing bodies and water precincts. D. Cloutier said they have three vacancies now – some people moved out of town. I like the level we have now so we can have more minds and more representation of the people’s will on the board.

**Article 34 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

**ARTICLE 35 – *It was moved, seconded and passed to dispense with the reading of Article 35.***

*J. Duffy moved the article to the floor and it was seconded.*

There was a long discussion concerning this article, which asked for the adoption and approval of the charter that was presented last year. It failed. J. Duffy felt it didn’t fail by many votes and brought it forth again this year. People in the DRA and the Attorney General’s office say that a new bill requires five years between two charter commission reports. If the voters do pass this, I believe we’ll have a court rule on whether or not it’s legal. Sel. Hunter quoted from a letter from the Secretary of State’s office saying when a charter commission is defeated, we believe that the charter process should begin over again. Our town attorney agrees with that.

Sel. Wheeler – In Goffstown our legal fees have been lower than comparable communities – we may have changed that this year. I believe there’s wisdom in listening to the Secretary of State.

T. Wynne – We contacted the Secy. of State’s office, and were told it’s never been done before. There’s no law that says you can’t do this, so we’re doing it.

P. Manney – I don’t see how this can be legal without having any public hearings or notice.

J. Sachs said we have a charter from 1761 and it seems to have worked very well. I’m not in favor of this. I know a council could be better in some ways, but I think what we have is more democratic and practical. If the charter had passed last year and you were on the council, do you think the governing body could do its job more or less efficiently?

Sel. Griffin said she voted for the charter last year, but has changed her mind now. Under a town charter form of government, I think the discussion would be

even more limited than it is now. Under town council there's only one person in charge of the departments and nobody gets to that person because that person has hired the other employees. Last year I hadn't had the experience I did this year – I don't think the charter is a good idea.

Sel. Wheeler said he misses the old traditional town meeting where that expression really meant something. People got up and expressed themselves – they discussed, deliberated, decided – he felt that was the spirit of democracy. He thinks with a town council you're relinquishing more of your rights.

**Article 35 will appear on the ballot as printed.**

*A motion to adjourn was made in the audience, and there was a second. The motion passed.*

Before the body adjourned, the crowd gave a standing round of applause for Selectman Wheeler who is attending his last deliberative session.

*Motion adjourned at 9:30 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE BOYLE

Town Scribe

## 2006 ELECTIONS RESULTS

### Votes Cast

Election Name	Date	District 1	District 5	Total	% Voter Turnout	# New Registrants	Total # Registered Voters
School Ballot Determination Meeting*	2/6/06	n/a	n/a	n/a	1%	n/a	11,176
Town Ballot Determination Meeting**	2/8/06	n/a	n/a	n/a	2%	n/a	11,176
Town Ballot Determination Meeting (cont.)***	2/9/06	n/a	n/a	n/a	1%	n/a	11,176
Town/School Election	3/14/06	2,579	744	3,323	30%	112	11,284
NH State Primary	9/12/06	783	342	1,125	10%	20	11,238
NH General Election	11/7/06	3,608	1,489	5,097	45%	255	11,444

\* 97 REGISTERED VOTERS ATTENDED

\*\* 252 REGISTERED VOTERS ATTENDED

\*\*\* 141 REGISTERED VOTERS ATTENDED

# OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

## ARTICLE 1 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

### SELECTMEN

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>
Nicholas "Nick" Campasano	2228
John A. Caprio	1267
Richard Gamache	324
Pamela V. Manney	987
Gossett W. McRae	493
Suzanne Tremblay	606
Howard Witherspoon	139

### BUDGET COMMITTEE

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Four</i>
Daniel J. Cloutier	2067
Steve Fournier	2054
Philip Plourde	1873
Calvin Pratt	1855

### BUDGET COMMITTEE

<i>For 2 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Write-In William Hart	125

### BUDGET COMMITTEE

<i>For 1 Year</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Write-In Roger Richard	171

### CEMETERY TRUSTEES

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Leon H. Konieczny	2505

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>
Richard Chamberlin	2197
Michael Pelletier	2252

### PLANNING BOARD

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>
Jo Ann Duffy	1951
Richard Georgantas	1398
Alan Yeaton	1546

### SEWER COMMISSION

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
James Bouchard	2365

### SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST

<i>For 6 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Christine Daniels	2443

### TOWN MODERATOR

<i>For 2 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Rodney Stark	2463

### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Calvin Pratt	2344

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
William Wynne	2329

**ARTICLE 2**

Shall the town adopt Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Zoning Ordinance to create a new district (RSBO-1) with supplemental standards as a transition zone around the R-1 district for the purpose of preserving historic fabric and character, while recognizing market forces for use and building change, applied to the following properties along North and South Mast Streets?

Map / Lot to change from R-1 to RSBO-1:

7/74-1	30/23	34/1	37/13	37/34	37/50	38/27
	30/37	34/2	37/14	37/35	37/51	38/28
29/53	30/38	34/3	37/15	37/36	37/52	38/29
29/54	30/39	34/4	37/16	37/37		38/30
29/55	30/40	34/5	37/18	37/38	38/14	38/31
29/56	30/41	34/28	37/19	37/39	38/15	38/32
29/57	30/42		37/25	37/40	38/16	38/33
29/58	30/43	35/1	37/26	37/41	38/17	38/34
29/59	30/43A	35/1A	37/27	37/42	38/18	38/35
29/60	30/44	35/2	37/28	37/43	38/19	
29/61	30/45	35/3	37/29	37/44	38/20	
29/62	30/46		37/30	37/45	38/21	
	30/46A	37/10	37/31	37/46	38/22	
30/21	30/47	37/11	37/32	37/47	38/25	
30/22	30/48	37/12	37/33	37/48	38/26	

Map / Lot to change from RSBOD to RSBO-1

30/46-1						
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The existing RSBO district would be re-titled RSBO-2.  
The full text of this article is available at the Town Clerk’s Office.

**Recommended by the Planning Board.**  
YES - 1856                      NO – 1245                      **PASSED**

**ARTICLE 3**

Shall the town adopt Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board, amend the Zoning Ordinance by adding a new Section 2.5.5 to deal with lots split by zoning districts, codifying current practice?

The full text of this article is available at the Town Clerk’s Office.

**Recommended by the Planning Board.**  
YES – 1910                      NO – 112                      **PASSED**



### ARTICLE 8

Shall the town adopt Amendment #7 as submitted by petition, amending the glossary by adding:

Age Restricted Housing – Age restricted housing shall mean housing which requires one resident over 55 years of age and prohibits residents under 18 years of age. To qualify as Age Restricted Housing, said housing shall include the following significant services and facilities specifically designed to meet the physical and social needs of older persons (as listed by NH Commission on Human Rights, Chapter 302.03 c).

1. Programs designed to provide a social life for residents;
2. Continuing education programs of interest to residents;
3. Information and counseling services;
4. Recreational programs;
5. Homemaker services;
6. Services designed to assist residents with the maintenance and upkeep of buildings and grounds;
7. An accessible physical environment;
8. Emergency and preventable health care programs;
9. Congregate dining facilities;
10. Transportation to facilitate access to social services;
11. Referral services; and
12. Services designed to encourage and assist residents to use the services and facilities available to them.

***Submitted by petition. Not Recommended by the Planning Board.***

YES - 1017

NO – 2172

**FAILED**

### ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Sixteen Million Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$16,316,220)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Sixteen Million Three Hundred Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Six dollars (\$16,302,486), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

***Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.***

YES - 1743

NO – 1451

**PASSED**

### ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the International

Brotherhood of Police Officers, Local No. 371 representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Police Department running through December 31, 2010 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$40,277) such sum representing the additional costs attributable at current staffing levels paid in 2005? The estimated additional costs for 2007 over the costs in 2006 will be Fifty Two Thousand Sixty Eight Dollars (\$52,068). The estimated additional costs for 2008 over the costs in 2007 will be Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$31,218). The estimated additional costs in 2009 over the costs in 2008 will be Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars Seven Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars (\$27,787). The estimated additional costs in 2010 over the costs in 2009 will be Thirty Three Thousand Four Hundred Ten Dollars (\$33,410). The cost items for future years will be included in the operating budget. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 1983

NO - 1222

**PASSED**

#### ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Department of Public Works running through December 31, 2010 and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Thirty Five Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$35,518) such sum representing the additional costs attributable at current staffing levels paid in 2005? The estimated additional costs for 2007 over the costs in 2006 will be Twenty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Four Dollars (\$25,904). The estimated additional costs for 2008 over the costs in 2007 will be Thirty Six Thousand Twenty Two Dollars (\$36,022). The estimated additional costs in 2009 over the costs in 2008 will be Thirty Two Thousand Forty Seven Dollars (\$32,047). The estimated additional costs in 2010 over the costs in 2009 will be Forty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars (\$49,659). The cost items for future years will be included in the operating budget. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 1743

NO - 1451

**PASSED**

#### ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Twenty One Thousand dollars (\$1,821,000) for the purpose of implementing the current phase of the Road Improvement Plan? The road improvement plan has been part of the CIP process since 2002 and annual appropriations for the plan have been approved as Special Articles since 2002. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

**Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 1928

NO - 1268

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 13**

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 162-K:1, adopt the provisions of RSA 162-K relative to Municipal Economic Development and Revitalization Districts so that the town will thereafter have all the authority, powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in that chapter?

**Submitted by Board of Selectmen.**

YES - 1290                      NO - 1659                      **FAILED**

**ARTICLE 14**

Assuming the adoption by the Town of Article 13, shall the town, pursuant to RSA 162-K:3 & 5, resolve that the adoption and implementation of the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan will serve a public purpose as the same is contemplated in RSA 162-K:5 and to adopt the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan?

**Submitted by Board of Selectmen.**

YES - 1232                      NO - 1679                      **FAILED**

**ARTICLE 15**

Assuming the adoption by the Town of Article 14, shall the town, pursuant to RSA 162-K:5, create and establish the Tax Increment Financing District described in the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan and, in addition to establishing the district, establish the development program and tax increment financing plan more particularly set forth in said plan?

**Submitted by Board of Selectmen.**

YES - 1185                      NO - 1718                      **FAILED**

**ARTICLE 16**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be deposited into the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund and furthermore to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund as provided by RSA 35:15? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

**Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 1278                      NO - 1845                      **FAILED**

**ARTICLE 17**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of purchasing an excavator? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

**Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 1239                      NO - 1884                      **FAILED**

**ARTICLE 18**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.?

(This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

**Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 1775

NO - 1403

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 19**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Ninety Four Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Seven dollars (\$94,427) from the EMS Special Revenue Fund to reimburse the Town's General Fund for the purchase of the new ambulance in 2005? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9 and results in revenue to the General Fund so that property taxes will not be raised to pay for the ambulance.)

**Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

YES - 2365

NO - 810

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 20**

Shall the Town authorize the Library Board of Trustees indefinitely, until rescinded, to accept on behalf of the Library gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the Library for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 202-A:4-d? This vote shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the Town Meeting. The Library Board of Trustees must hold a public hearing before accepting any such gift valued at over \$5,000, and the acceptance shall not bind the library to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, repair, or replacement of such personal property.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.**

YES - 2483

NO - 634

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 21**

Shall the Town sell, transfer easement rights, license land rights or otherwise grant property rights in Town owned property at Map 34, Lot 177 (East Union Street Pumping Station), to a private developer for use in conjunction with the proposed development project on Map 34, Lot 171?

YES - 691

NO - 2396

**FAILED**

**ARTICLE 22**

Shall the Town authorize the selectmen, in their judgment, to grant a permanent, non-exclusive access easement across the rail to trail corridor owned by the Town of Goffstown, State of New Hampshire, to a private developer for use in conjunction with the proposed development project on property located at Tax Map 34, Lot 171 on Factory Street and East Union Street? The final form of the easements referenced in this Warrant Article 22 shall be in a form satisfactory to the town attorney. The selectmen are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to carry this article into effect.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.**

YES - 912

NO - 2197

**FAILED**



**ARTICLE 29**

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of paragraph I and II of NH RSA 154:5, which includes allowing a fire chief's tenure to be based on good conduct and efficiency and provides for the suspension and/or dismissal of a fire chief only for cause, after he or she, has been presented with a written specification of the reasons?

**Submitted by petition.**

YES - 2430

NO - 682

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 30**

Shall the Town will raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$221,258 (above the 2006 operating budget) of the \$402,893 necessary to employ 18 additional full time Firefighter/EMTs within the Goffstown Fire Department, in order to implement 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, fire and fire based Emergency Medical Services, staffing a minimum of two fire stations? The effective date of hiring nine new full time Firefighter/EMTs shall commence effective July 1, 2006; and the effective date of which the remaining nine full time Firefighter/EMTs shall commence with a hiring date of September 1, 2006.

**Submitted by petition. Not Recommended by Board of Selectmen. Not Recommended by Budget Committee.**

YES - 1277

NO - 2033

**FAILED**

**ARTICLE 31**

Shall the Town require that, in order to be elected or to serve as a selectmen, one must physically reside within the Town of Goffstown?

**Submitted by petition.**

YES - 2952

NO - 311

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 32**

Shall the Town adopt provisions of RSA 40:14 to delegate the determination of the Goffstown Town Default Budget to the municipal budget committee?

**Submitted by petition.** (Needed  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority)

YES - 1494

NO - 1400

**FAILED**

**ARTICLE 33**

Shall the Town of Goffstown adopt the provisions of RSA 40-14b to delegate the determination of the default budget to the Municipal Budget Committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14? (3/5 majority vote required)

**Submitted by petition.**

YES - 1500

NO - 1367

**FAILED**

**ARTICLE 34**

Shall the Town, in accordance with RSA 32:15, reduce the number of members of the Budget Committee from sixteen (16) to thirteen (13) members, of which nine (9) members are to be elected at large, three each year for 3-year overlapping terms? Four representatives shall be selected for one-year terms, one

each from the selectmen, the school board, the Goffstown Water Precinct, and the Grasmere Water Precinct.

**Submitted by petition.**

YES - 1635

NO - 1341

**PASSED**

**ARTICLE 35**

Shall the Town adopt and approve the Charter recommended and submitted on December 15, 2004 by the 2004 Charter Commission? The following chart summarizes the current form of government and the major changes in the proposed Charter:

	CURRENT	PROPOSED CHANGES
GOVERNING BODY	5 Selectmen	7 Councilors
ADMINISTRATION	Selectmen/Town Administrator	Town Manager
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	Elected	Appointed
BUDGET COMMITTEE	12 Elected Members	9 Elected Members
BOND PASSAGE	3/5 (60%) majority vote	2/3 (66 2/3%) majority vote
DEFAULT BUDGET	Set by Board of Selectmen	Set by Budget Committee
PETITIONS	All Petitions (Appropriations, Zoning, other): 25 registered voters	Petitions: Appropriations, Zoning, and Initiative Petitions: 50 registered voters Referendum Petitions: 500 registered voters Recall of Officeholder Petitions: 250 registered voters

**Submitted by petition.**

YES - 1163

NO - 1803

**FAILED**

## 2006 MARRIAGES

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
JAN					
1	Gardner, Christopher M.	Goffstown, NH	Cote, Michelle M.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
7	Lorett, Ernest, B.	Goffstown, NH	Lorett, Barbara A.	Medfield, MA	Goffstown
7	Nelson, Mark A.	Goffstown, NH	Rouillard, Jami-Lee M.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
14	Lewis, Christopher R.	Goffstown, NH	Bell, Melissa I.	Goffstown, NH	Amherst
15	MacKenzie, James A.	Goffstown, NH	Sessa, Angela J.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
29	Levy, Alain L.	Goffstown, NH	Schnopp, Judith A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
FEB.					
4	Burt, John A.	Goffstown, NH	Poulin, Phyllis M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
4	Laroche, Stephen M.	Goffstown, NH	Piver, Christin J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
11	Wszolek, Stanley A.	Goffstown, NH	Stemp, Carrie L.	Goffstown, NH	Londonderry
12	Nadeau, Patrick R.	Goffstown, NH	Miller, Holly A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
14	Belair, Leigh A.	Goffstown, NH	Smith, Trudy A.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
MAR. NONE					
APRIL					
15	Tabor, Joseph B.	Goffstown, NH	Bobula, Elaine M.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
21	Gauthier, Peter A.	Goffstown, NH	Peratto, Elena I.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
22	Wendlandt, Christopher	Goffstown, NH	Faneuf, Kathrynne M.	Goffstown, NH	Meredith
29	Berthiaume, Sean M.	Goffstown, NH	Greenwood, Barbara J.	Concord, NH	Concord
MAY					
13	Korkin, Matthew A.	Weare, NH	Lussier, Jennifer L.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
13	Bradley, James P.	Goffstown, NH	Doane, Mackenzie L.	Goffstown, NH	Sanbornton
20	Lyford, Samuel H.	Goffstown, NH	Roy, Tracie A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
20	Halvatzes, Matthew J.	Goffstown, NH	Langton, Jennifer P.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
27	Hunt, Dana R.	Goffstown, NH	Cecere, Roxann R.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
JUNE					
3	Allard, Nicholas R.	Goffstown, NH	D'Amico, Katie L.	Hooksett, NH	Londonderry
4	Lambert, James G.	Goffstown, NH	Katsikas, Katherine E.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
24	Bell, Matthew R.	Goffstown, NH	Ricard, Tina M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
25	Petri, Curtis A.	Goffstown, NH	Deschuiteneer, Kristi L.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
25	Gagne, David F.	Goffstown, NH	Potter, Jean M.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
30	St Onge, Paul R.	Goffstown, NH	Tse, Suet Ying		Goffstown
JULY					
1	Dorsett, Richard D.	Goffstown, NH	Beaulieu, Karen A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
4	Gurley, Joel A.	Goffstown, NH	Griffith, Sheryl A.	Manchester, NH	Milford
8	Caza, Adam D.	Goffstown, NH	Paquet, Stephanie L.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
15	Simard, Benjamin J.	Goffstown, NH	Durfee, Jennifer A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
JULY					
15	Cheyne, James R.	Greenfield, NH	Fortier, Pamela J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
15	Rouleau, Jason P.	Goffstown, NH	Galeaz, Kristi M.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
17	Drake, Joel A.	Goffstown, NH	Pacheco, Judith A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
21	Vallee, Matthew R.	Goffstown, NH	Nash, Maxine E.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
29	Jubenville, Michael G.	Goffstown, NH	Pour, Jennifer J.	Manchester, NH	Derry
29	Fitzgerald, Mark P.	Goffstown, NH	Beland, Nicole M.	Goffstown, NH	Merrimack
29	Cataldo, Lewis J.	Manchester, NH	Collins, Teresa M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
AUG.					
12	Shea, Matthew W.	Goffstown, NH	Vanepps, Katherine M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
13	Howd, Anthony D.	Goffstown, NH	Millns, Diane G.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
18	Butler, Daniel K.	Goffstown, NH	Hunt, Wanda M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
18	Perham, Michael D.	Goffstown, NH	Lessard, Denise M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
24	Dumoulin, Donald G.	Goffstown, NH	Drouin, Lise S.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
25	Himsel, Donald C.	Goffstown, NH	Palestino, Kristie L.	Goffstown, NH	New Castle
26	McCarthy, Ryan R.	Goffstown, NH	Jones, Jillian E.	Goffstown, NH	Pembroke
26	Russell, Christopher	Goffstown, NH	Dagnese, Kristen	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
27	Cayea, Steven L.	Goffstown, NH	Goulet, Kristin F.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
SEPT.					
2	Leo, Derek T.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford, Michelle E.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
9	Nolan, Daniel J.	Deering, NH	Carson, Marilyn S.	Goffstown, NH	Deering
16	Champagne, Stephen M.	Goffstown, NH	Nelson, Amanda M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
16	Muprhy, Timothy C.	Goffstown, NH	Leighton, Carrie A.	Goffstown, NH	Sandown
23	Fredette, Mark K.	Goffstown, NH	Spenard, Jennifer A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
23	Cronin, Timothy C.	Goffstown, NH	Staiti, Dawn E.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
24	Filteau, Paul R.	Goffstown, NH	Nieves, Yvette	Manchester, NH	Goffstown
29	Desjardins, Daniel L.	Goffstown, NH	Kerr, Claire K.	Goffstown, NH	Plymouth
30	McAlister, Justin S.	Goffstown, NH	Gerrard, Sarah A.	Goffstown, NH	Windham
OCT.					
6	Curtin, Michael L.	Goffstown, NH	Grady, Tina L.	Goffstown, NH	Portsmouth
7	Cofrin, Wayne T.	Goffstown, NH	Lee, Judith H.	Goffstown, NH	Jackson
7	Vachon, Matthew V.	Goffstown, NH	Camire, Heidi E.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
7	Lord, Barry J.	Goffstown, NH	Labrie, Katie M.	Goffstown, NH	Hampstead
8	Daneau, Mark F.	Goffstown, NH	Ireland, Kellie J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
14	Jutras, Nicholas J.	Goffstown, NH	Demaine, Melissa A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
14	Hall, Scott M.	Goffstown, NH	Blauvelt, Michelle L.	Goffstown, NH	Plymouth
14	Belcourt, Timothy H.	Goffstown, NH	Cote, Kerry S.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
OCT.					
17	Hagerty, Sean M.	Goffstown, NH	Sweet, Chelsey A.	Henniker, NH	Henniker
30	Dolbec, Marcel J.	Goffstown, NH	St Onge, Debra S.	Goffstown, NH	Weare
NOV.					
1	Russo, Mario C.	Goffstown, NH	Piola, Marie E.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
11	Roussel, Jeff J.	Goffstown, NH	Dodge, Melanie A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
DEC.					
9	Spencer, Justin A.	Goffstown, NH	Kingston, Quinn	Goffstown, NH	Dixville Notch
16	Beech, Glyn C.		Poly, Kathleen M.	Goffstown, NH	Londonderry
16	Doiron, Paul E.	Goffstown, NH	Bellavance, Majella	Claremont, NH	Claremont
24	Archambault, Brad D.	Goffstown, NH	Markwith, Anne M.	Amherst, NH	Amherst
26	Doyle, Owen, W.	Goffstown, NH	Dana, Angela L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
31	Brule, Jeffrey A.	Goffstown, NH	Shaw, Tiffanyrose A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
31	Acres, Kenneth C.	Goffstown, NH	Scali, Lisa M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
31	Lennon, Michael D	Lyndeborough, NH	Hanson, Taryn M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown

TOTAL NUMBER OF MARRIAGES: 75

## 2006 BIRTHS

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	PARENT'S NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH
JAN.			
9	Hueber, Samantha Blu	Hueber, James and Shannon	Manchester, NH
17	Leroux, Jacob Michael	Leroux, Michael and Voisine, Corrine	Manchester, NH
17	Leroux, Andrew Joseph	Leroux, Michael and Voisine, Corrine	Manchester, NH
18	Pellegrino, Anthony Rossi	Pellegrino, Robert and McCormick, Malissa	Concord, NH
24	Rahe, Nicole Amy	Rahe, Antony and Penny	Manchester, NH
FEB.			
10	Peters, Kayla Anne	Peters, Gary and Kimberly	Manchester, NH
MAR.			
2	Hamill, Ethan Victor	Hamill, Starla	Manchester, NH
3	Hujsak, Camden Thomas	Hujsak, James and Karen	Manchester, NH
26	Bohan, Mercedes Lorraine	Dowse, Lori	Manchester, NH
28	Minnich, Charles Henry	Minnich, Charles and Margo	Manchester, NH
APRIL			
2	Smedick, Thomas John	Smedick, Jason and Lori	Concord, NH
2	Bouchard, Ella Ann	Bouchard, Brian and Elizabeth	Manchester, NH
10	High, Airyana Izabella	High, Vanessa	Manchester, NH
10	Franklin, Jessica Lynne	Franklin, Larry and Brady, Shannon	Nashua, NH

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	PARENT'S NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH
<b>APRIL</b>			
20	Patch, Marquessa Belle	Patch, Stephen and Michelle	Nashua, NH
24	Phelps, Grace Lillian	Phelps, Norton and Linda	Manchester, NH
27	Bouchard, Cade Jaron	Bouchard, Scott and Jessica	Manchester, NH
<b>MAY</b>			
1	Megowen, Kayleigh Rose	Megowen, Robert and Rachelle	Nashua, NH
2	Douglas, Sofia Cadance	Douglas, Joshua and Perry, Robyn	Manchester, NH
3	Klein, Owen Patrick	Klein, Jeffrey and Mary	Manchester, NH
8	Pouliot, Jordan Cecelia	Pouliot, Brian and Brown Malissa	Manchester, NH
11	Brown, Faith Elise	Brown, Matthew and Star	Manchester, NH
<b>JUNE</b>			
3	Palmer, Noah Alexander	Palmer-Johnson, Marcus and Thompson, Leah	Nashua, NH
9	Penerian, Jema Lynn	Penerian, Jeremy and Sara	Manchester, NH
16	Duval, Nicholas Roger	Duval, Michael and Gagne, Valerie	Manchester, NH
28	Ledoux, Jailynn Lacey	Ledoux, Amber	Manchester, NH
30	Veary, Alex Jay	Veary, Joshua and Magda	Manchester, NH
<b>JULY</b>			
1	Loveren, Ayden James	Loveren, Sara	Manchester, NH
2	Newell, Isabelle Kieryn	Newell, Christopher and Cheryl	Nashua, NH
4	Yeaman, Peter Alton	Yeaman, Paul and Ann	Goffstown, NH
13	Chicoine, Miles Paul	Chicoine, Justin and Pratt, Trudi	Manchester, NH
18	Haddad, Nikolas Mark	Haddad, Mark and Sheryl-Lynn	Lebanon, NH
20	Matatall, Owen Michael	Matatall, Paul and Sara	Manchester, NH
23	Morrison, Ryann Lee	Morrison, Mark and Jessica	Concord, NH
26	Long, David Keiffer	Long, Eric and Dodd, Sherryl	Manchester, NH
31	Stratford, Cole Preston	Stratford, Joshua and Karen	Manchester, NH
31	Timmons, Samantha Grace	Timmons, Scott and Jessica	Nashua, NH
<b>AUG.</b>			
26	Provencher, Ashley Ann	Provencher, Kevin and Renae	Manchester, NH
28	Erwin, Nora May	Erwin, Thomas and Lorna	Concord, NH
31	Morel, Kiley Rose	Morel, Kenneth and Jodi	Manchester, NH
<b>SEPT.</b>			
1	Cote, Ayden Jason-Daniel	Cote, Jason and Minor, Amy	Concord, NH
2	Umstead, Christopher Roy	Umstead, Steven and Adrienne	Manchester, NH
4	Grainger, Levi Daniel	Grainger, Todd and Tania	Nashua, NH
5	Phelps, Paige Evelyn	Phelps, Zachary and Saari, Mellissa	Concord, NH
5	Phelps, Jillian Carol	Phelps, Zachary and Saari, Mellissa	Concord, NH
18	Romein, Isabelle Marie	Romein, Peter and Melissa	Concord, NH

<b>DATE</b>	<b>CHILD'S NAME</b>	<b>PARENT'S NAME</b>	<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>
<b>OCT.</b>			
2	Bates, Jacob William	Bates, William and Wendy	Manchester, NH
<b>NOV.</b>			
2	Roy, Elizabeth Kate	Roy, Barry and Brandi	Concord, NH
9	Lachance, Emily Rose	Lachance, Robert and Carrie	Nashua, NH
13	Fales, Mariella Anne	Fales, Kenneth and Christine	Manchester, NH
19	Himsel, Austin Donald	Himsel, Donald and Palestino, Kristie	Nashua, NH
21	Anderson, Zoey Elizabeth	Anderson, Erik and Rebecca	Nashua, NH
<b>DEC.</b>			
1	Gamache, Alex Edward	Gamache, Tobey and Renee	Concord, NH
6	Turck, Maddox James	Turck, Thomas and Emerton, Sara	Manchester, NH
7	Cotnoir, Alexander David	Cotnoir, David and Kristen	Manchester, NH
12	Grenier, Aidan Christopher	Grenier, Christopher and Santos, Lisa	Manchester, NH
18	Gagnon, Brendon Connor J.	Gagnon, Jason and Dawn	Nashua, NH

TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS: 57

## 2006 DEATHS

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
<b>JAN.</b>				
1	Laraba, Clyde Jr.	Goffstown, NH	Laraba, Clyde Sr.	McGuigan, Anne
4	Biergiel, Carol	Goffstown, NH	Biergiel, Justin	Abramowicz, Barbara
9	Ross, Agnes	Goffstown, NH	Boghosian, Simon	Zartarian, Lucy
10	De St Aubin, Roberta	Manchester, NH	Caron, Damase	Rheaume, Jeanne
11	Leger, Leo	Bedford, NH	Leger, Eric	Unknown, Martha
11	Blazon, John	Goffstown, NH	Blazon, Paul	Croteau, Jeanne
14	Paul, Rita	Goffstown, NH	Schambier, Julien	Vincent, Laurette
17	Buckley, Francis	Goffstown, NH	Buckley, Joseph	Breed, Florence
18	Jones, Clinton	Concord, NH	Jones, Edward	Kress, Genevieve
21	Looney, Linda	Manchester, NH	Staffiere, Donald	Webster, Lyn
25	Wason, Elizabeth	Merrimack, NH	Hagland, Ernest	Todd, Laura
27	Sullivan, Florence	Goffstown, NH	Handerson, Henry	Walmo, Thelma
28	Greene, Eleanor	Manchester, NH	Garrett, Allen	Major, Etta
30	Cleary, Walter Jr.	Manchester, NH	Cleary, Walter Sr.	Bibaud, Lucienne
<b>FEB.</b>				
3	Moquin, Augusta	Goffstown, NH	Molderez, Victor	Mehank, Valentine
6	Pinet, Albert Sr.	Goffstown, NH	Pinet, Arthur	Raymond, Laura
8	Rainaud, Hazel	Goffstown, NH	Hale, Leon	David, Bernice
8	Chauvette, Rose	Goffstown, NH	Demanche, Henri	Aubin, Rose
9	Bourgeois, Roland	Goffstown, NH	Bourgeois, Albert	Shiney, Elizabeth
10	Monier, Helma	Manchester, NH	Winans, Albert	Brandt, Mary
10	Carbonneau, Laurie	Goffstown, NH	Pepin, Bertrand	Morin, Theresa
12	Cummins, Wilfred	Manchester, NH	Cummins, Charles	Auntribus, Martha
12	Remillard, Rita	Manchester, NH	Gravel, Philippe	Toutain, Blanche
13	Stepanon, Eunice	Goffstown, NH	McGuire, Henry	Dehmelt, Emma
14	Burgess, Violet	Goffstown, NH	McNeal, James	Brown, Mary
14	Bartlett, Lauren	Manchester, NH	Bartlett, James	Landry, Gail
18	Catcott, Robert	Goffstown, NH	Catcott, Edward	Havens, Rena
19	Mikulski, John	Goffstown, NH	Mikulski, John	Gawlinski, Josephine
21	King, Anna	Goffstown, NH	McLaughlin, James	Sweden, Anna
23	Brockway, Michael	Manchester, NH	Brockway, David	Derene, Josephine
<b>MAR.</b>				
3	Henault, Pauline	Merrimack, NH	Wadleigh, Harry	Bouchard, Marie
3	Davis, Alan	Goffstown, NH	Davis, Roland Sr.	Lacrosse, Barbara
11	Burpee, Anita	Manchester, NH	Wass, Raymond	Bisbee, Mildred

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<b>MAR.</b>				
13	Goulet, Ruth	Concord, NH	Corey, Guy Sr.	Smith, Gladys
15	Belanger, George	Manchester, NH	Belanger, George	Roukey, Adeline
16	Pinard, Juliette	Goffstown, NH	Preneveau, Henry	Unknown, Eva
25	Ryan, Doris	Goffstown, NH	Janelle, Cletus	Paradis, Adelina
26	Tancrede, Lionel	Goffstown, NH	Tancrede, Donat	Laverdiere, Ida
27	Cronin, Julia	Manchester, NH	Ciechon, Stanislaw	Kaczieska, Mary
<b>APRIL</b>				
1	Roy, Yvonne	Goffstown, NH	Lavoie, Hector	Raymond, Leona
2	Plaisance, Therese	Goffstown, NH	Bourque, George	Gaudette, Yvonne
3	Davis, Phyllis	Goffstown, NH	Robertson, George	Stevenson, Alice
4	Lord, Marcel	Manchester, NH	Lord, Arsene	Pelletier, Aurore
11	Kobilarcsik, Michael	Goffstown, NH	Kobilarcsik, Andrew	Andrews, Mary
21	Packard, Mary	Goffstown, NH	Sweeney, John	Robinson, Priscilla
26	Mc Quarrie, Iris	Goffstown, NH	Borland, Albert	Rae, Janet
27	Pouliot, Marcel	Goffstown, NH	Pouliot, Joseph	Aubert, Aurore
<b>MAY</b>				
8	Haggerty, Madeline	Goffstown, NH	Lennon, James	Unknown, Margaret
13	Wike, Jacqueline	Manchester, NH	Kelley, Loring	Veilleux, Priscilla
15	Cantara, Daniel Jr.	Goffstown, NH	Cantara, Daniel Sr.	Hill, Helen
<b>JUNE</b>				
3	Hebert, Henry	Manchester, NH	Hebert, Laurent	Roberge, Marie
3	Perry, Adrienne	Manchester, NH	Duval, Adrien	Vallee, Alice
4	Rollins, Herbert Jr.	Manchester, NH	Rollins, Herbert Sr.	Stanley, Iona
4	Estabrook, Gordon	Manchester, NH	Estabrook, Norman	Fullerton, Alice
5	Chaput, Gertrude	Goffstown, NH	Skoglund, Hjalmar	Dalton, Margaret
11	Sousa, Libert	Manchester, NH	Sousa, John	Moniz, Mary
23	Windhausen, John	Goffstown, NH	Windhausen, Charles	Furlong, Catherine
26	Guerette, Viola	Goffstown, NH	Snyder, Leon	Holbrook, Ruby
27	Garrow, Lucille	Bedford, NH	Pudvah, Harvey	Domina, Nellie
29	Eckley, Wesley Sr.	Goffstown, NH	Eckley, Harry	Wright, Florence
<b>JULY</b>				
1	Cahill, Catherine	Lebanon, NH	McGinn, Daniel	Quinn, Catherine
3	Weibel, Veronica	Goffstown, NH	Corcoran, Edward	Collins, Isabella
6	Pepin, Loyola	Goffstown, NH	Allard, Ernest	Cote, Marie
28	Dinwoodie, Marrie	Goffstown, NH	Pothier, John	Leblanc, Virginia
<b>AUG.</b>				
5	Bergeron, Anita	Goffstown, NH	Brien, Raymond	Mayberry, Shirley
5	Vaillancourt, Eva	Goffstown, NH	Trudeau, Edward	Trudeau, Lillian

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AUG.				
6	Petrin, Adrien Sr.	Manchester, NH	Petrin, Arthur	Toussaint, Ida
9	Mason, Marie	Goffstown, NH	Scalera, Janero	Ruccio, Theresa
16	Boire, Brenda	Goffstown, NH	Boire, Paul	Goulet, Evangeline
18	Russo, Philip	Goffstown, NH	Russo, Pietro	Lamothe, Lorraine
19	Hersey, Antonia	Goffstown, NH	Sauer, Edward	Rachbauer, Antonia
30	Spenard, Roland	Goffstown, NH	Spenard, Gerard	Anderson, Irene
SEPT.				
7	Gosselin, Germain	Manchester, NH	Gosselin, Emile	Kirouac, Alphonsine
9	Dubois, Raymond	Goffstown, NH	Dubois, Lucien	Dubois, Albertine
15	Gilman, Lewis Jr.	Manchester, NH	Gilman, Lewis Sr.	Ballou, Abbie
20	Ross, Robert Jr.	Goffstown, NH	Ross, Robert Sr.	Little, Renah
26	Cummins, Bessie	Goffstown, NH	Thompson, David	Link, Louisa
29	Platek, Lucille	Manchester, NH	Martel, Oscar	Landry, Antoinette
30	Smith, Elizabeth	Manchester, NH	Beauvais, John	Bellemare, Lena
30	Palardy, Gill	Goffstown, NH	Palardy, Louis	Labbe, Beatrice
OCT.				
3	Van Oudenhove, Evelyn	Goffstown, NH	Goodale, Archie	Brown, Eunice
3	Mckay, Edith	Goffstown, NH	Coffey, John	Thompson, Mary
3	Beckwith, Robert	Goffstown, NH	Beckwith, Charles	Whitehouse, Dorothy
9	Carbonneau, Jean	Goffstown, NH	Carbonneau, Jean	Comsar, Frances
9	Peaslee, Thelma	Concord, NH	Clark, Arthur	Bucklin, Flora
11	Roberts, Frances	Goffstown, NH	Desoiza, Antonio	Appofidi, Carmel
13	Lussier, Norman	Manchester, NH	Lussier, Damase	Dionne, Augusta
17	Colbert, Rose	Goffstown, NH	Destefano, Unknown	Unknown, Rose
20	Jackson, Phyllis	Goffstown, NH	Small, Walter	Eastman, Gertrude
20	Mrasz, Arlene	Goffstown, NH	Varney, Edwin	Jennison, Maude
23	Faucher, Gertrude	Goffstown, NH	Gagnon, Joseph	Cabana, Lea
31	Harvey, Charles	Merrimack, NH	Harvey, George	Raeburn, Mabel
31	Lapolla, Michael	Derry, NH	Lapolla, Michael Sr.	Stafford, Edith
NOV.				
1	Gould, Ruth	Goffstown, NH	Cammon, George	Sparks, Mildred
6	Waye, Roseann	Goffstown, NH	Remick, Robert	Fahy, Rosalie
8	Desruisseaux, Rita	Goffstown, NH	Desruisseaux, George	Gagne, Cecile
8	Grady, Henry	Goffstown, NH	Grady, Martin	O'Malley, Mary
13	Stewar, Jacob	Manchester, NH	Stewart, Kenneth	Donovan, Lynne
13	Couturier, Rollande	Goffstown, NH	Grandmaison, Adelard	Collette, Alice
14	McBride, Donald	Goffstown, NH	McBride, Robert	Atherton, Margaret

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NOV.				
14	Golej, Ruth	Goffstown, NH	Duncan, Matthew	Dill, Lizzie
16	Frans, Gloria	Goffstown, NH	Carter, Horace	Osmond, Gladys
17	Prokuski, Bronislaw	Goffstown, NH	Prokuski, Michael	Unknown, Mary
19	Fischer, Agnes Selma	Goffstown, NH	Osberg, Sven	Johnson, Augusta
19	Hawes, William	Goffstown, NH	Hawes, Leslie	Allen, Norma
22	Nolan, Hortense	Goffstown, NH	Dubuc, Fred	Maynard, Gertrude
22	Pappas, Pearl	Goffstown, NH	Witham, Perley	Locke, Florence
DEC.				
1	Golej, John	Goffstown, NH	Golej, Wasyl	Czarnarz, Katherine
3	MacGregor, Robroy	Manchester, NH	MacGregor, David Sr.	Norcott, Marion
7	Johnson, Raymond	Concord, NH	Johnson, Birger	Carlstein, Eleanore
8	Alongi, Joseph	Manchester, NH	Alongi, Casimiro	Alongi, Liboria
8	Carreau, Wilfred	Manchester, NH	Carreau, Arthur	Palfrey, Margaret
10	Vago, Karen	Goffstown, NH	Vago, Paul	Albert, Janet
12	Mortimer, John Jr.	Goffstown, NH	Mortimer, John Sr.	Mahn, Marjalola
16	Zarnowski, Mary	Goffstown, NH	Philbrick, John	Peltier, Cecelia
16	Breton, Beatrice	Manchester, NH	Masse, Henry	Cote, Antoinette
17	Murphy, Margaret	Manchester, NH	Hefferon, John	McCarthy, Florence
18	Sliney, Ruth	Goffstown, NH	Nichols, Forrest	Nason, Edith
21	Havener, George	Goffstown, NH	Havener, George	Liddell, Margaret
21	Guay, Norman	Goffstown, NH	Guay, William	Tilley, Florence
23	Rozamus, Ann	Goffstown, NH	Ahlquist, Carl	Wright, Margaret
24	Guptill, Patricia	Goffstown, NH	O'Brien, James	Barber, Valeria
27	Volkman, Rose	Manchester, NH	Walker, Harold	Calley, Madeline
31	Breton, Lorraine	Goffstown, NH	Lamy, Alfred	Juneau, Alice
31	Garland, Richard	Goffstown, NH	Garland, Harold	Dutney, Christine
31	Garfield, Doris	Manchester, NH	Paton, George	Race, Edith

TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS: 126

## 2006 INTERMENTS

Name	Age	Died	Date of Burial
<b>Hillside Cemetery</b>			
Buckley, Francis		1/17/2006	4/15/2006
Fellows, Mary R.	103	12/15/2006	12/18/2006
George, Virginia Lovell	96	10/3/2006	11/8/2006
Supry, Jr. John F.		12/26/2005	5/24/2006
<b>Shirley Hill Cemetery</b>			
Brown, Gardner		3/6/2006	5/1/2006
Brown, Deborah	76	8/11/2005	5/1/2006
Laflamme, Irene J.		2/18/2006	2/25/2006
<b>West Lawn Cemetery</b>			
Bartlett, Lauren	16	2/14/2006	2/18/2006
Biergiel, Carol Stanley	90	1/4/2006	1/7/2006
Campbell, Dylan E	2 mnths	8/18/2006	8/22/2006
Dalgetty, Rita	82	5/30/2006	6/3/2006
Forbes, Clara Louise	76	4/22/2006	4/26/2006
Givetz, Brenda Jo	47	2/11/2006	2/17/2006
Grady, Henry T	84	11/8/2006	11/11/2006
Jackson, Phyllis Gertrude	85	10/20/2006	10/25/2006
Laroche, Joseph T.		2/28/2006	5/31/2006
Martin, Helen B.	93	2/26/2006	6/7/2006
McBride, Donald A.	70	11/14/2006	11/16/2006
Moody, Sheila Mae	39	2/21/2006	3/1/2006
Neuman, Marjorie	81	5/23/2006	5/26/2006
Rollins, Herbert A.	65	6/4/2006	6/7/2006
Rollins, Iona Helen	84	10/4/2006	10/7/2006
Smith, Joseph P	79	5/3/2006	5/6/2006
Smith, Martha			8/14/2006
Thayer, Earl A.	61	2/25/2006	5/16/2006
Van Oudenhove, Evelyn	87	10/3/2006	10/11/2006
Total Burials: 26			

## AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT LETTER

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APRIL 4, 2006

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Goffstown  
Goffstown, New Hampshire

We have audited the financial statements for the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 and have issued our report thereon dated April 4, 2006. As part of our audit, we made a study and evaluation of the Town's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. Under these standards, the purpose of such evaluations is to establish a basis for reliance on the system of internal accounting control in determining the nature, timing and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling his responsibility, estimates and judgments by them are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of such a system are to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with required authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may still occur without being detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risks that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the internal accounting control structure and would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system. However, as a result of our study and evaluation, and in an effort to be of assistance to the Town, we are submitting for

your consideration a number of comments and recommendations intended to improve operations and internal accounting control.

After you have had an opportunity to consider our comments and recommendations, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

#### PRIOR YEAR ISSUE:

##### 1. Consider Long-Term Financial Plan for the Sewer Fund

The operating results of the sewer fund appear to reflect a negative financial trend. The following summarizes net income/(loss) and cash provided/(used) trends:

Calendar Year	Net Income/(Loss)	Cash Balance Increase/(Decrease)
2001	\$ 347,841	\$ 886,898
2002	349,795	(1,004,428)
2003	(49,979)	( 196,798)
2004	( 802,279)	( 347,549)
2005	( 1,100,693)	( 569,982)

Differences in net income compared to cash changes can occur as a result of the purchase of fixed assets/capital improvements (which are capitalized and not expended), therefore reduce cash but not net income. The above trends appear to be negative in both operating results and cash balances.

We recommend the Sewer Commission establish a five-year financial plan. This plan should include the impact to user charges from sewer operations and capital improvements. This plan will help the Sewer Commission manage the budget, as well as stabilize increases/decreases to sewer user fees.

#### CURRENT YEAR ISSUE:

##### 2. Require Sequentially Numbered Building Permits

During testing of the Building Department, it was noted that building permits do not have sequential numbers and are not kept in a secure location. As a result, building permits are at an increased risk of misappropriation.

We recommend the Building Department obtain pre-numbered building permits, and retain unused permits in a secure location. We also recommend a log be maintained to track permits issued and on hand. This will help control Town revenues over building permits.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire

April 4, 2006

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Goffstown's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, as of December 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Melanson Heath & Company  
Nashua, New Hampshire

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Goffstown, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Goffstown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

## **A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements comprise of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide financial statements:** The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, and library and recreation. The business-type activities include sewer enterprise activities.

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**Proprietary funds.** Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Specifically, enterprise funds are used to account for sewer operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

**Fiduciary Funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

**Notes to the financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that are essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information,

which is required to be disclosed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

## **B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$ 20,616,120 (i.e., net assets), a decrease of \$ (136,687) in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 4,305,722, a decrease of \$(108,060) in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$ 1,342,388, a decrease of \$ (410,453) in comparison with the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$ 4,500,729, a decrease of \$ (614,111) in comparison to the prior year.

## **C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal year. All amounts are presented in thousands.

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
CURRENT AND OTHER ASSETS	\$ 13,470	\$ 13,392	\$ 2,482	\$ 3,266	\$ 15,952	\$ 16,658
Capital assets	<u>9,699</u>	<u>8,832</u>	<u>9,018</u>	<u>9,678</u>	<u>18,717</u>	<u>18,510</u>
Total assets	23,169	22,224	11,500	12,944	34,669	35,168
Long-term liabilities outstanding	3,621	3,613	1,859	2,223	5,480	5,836
OTHER LIABILITIES	<u>8,087</u>	<u>8,114</u>	<u>487</u>	<u>466</u>	<u>8,574</u>	<u>8,580</u>
Total liabilities	11,708	11,727	2,346	2,689	14,054	14,416
Net assets:						
Invested in capital assets, net	9,274	8,326	6,798	7,093	16,072	15,419
Restricted	822	803	-	-	822	803
Unrestricted	<u>1,365</u>	<u>1,368</u>	<u>2,356</u>	<u>3,162</u>	<u>3,721</u>	<u>4,530</u>
Total net assets	\$ <u>11,461</u>	\$ <u>10,497</u>	\$ <u>9,154</u>	\$ <u>10,255</u>	\$ <u>20,615</u>	\$ <u>20,752</u>

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total	
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
<u>Revenues</u>						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$1,008	\$ 994	\$699	\$ 693	\$1,707	\$ 1,687
Operating grants and contributions	863	590	21	113	884	703
Capital grants and contributions	534	341	-	-	534	341
General revenues:						
Property Taxes	24,842	22,344	-	-	24,842	22,344
Motor vehicle permits	2,543	2,469	-	-	2,543	2,469
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	361	373	-	-	361	373
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	873	810	-	-	873	810
Investment income	93	48	12	9	105	57
Permanent Fund contribution	5	-	-	-	5	-
Miscellaneous	357	272	116	38	473	310
Total Revenues	31,479	28,241	848	853	32,327	\$29,094
<u>Expenses</u>						
General government	1,658	1,507	-	-	1,658	1,507
Public safety	5,648	5,508	-	-	5,648	5,508
Public works	6,250	5,639	-	-	6,250	5,639
Health and welfare	58	55	-	-	58	55
Library and recreation	888	906	-	-	888	906
County assessments	1,540	1,392	-	-	1,540	1,392
School district assessments	14,084	12,042	-	-	14,084	12,042
Interest on long-term debt	94	85	-	-	94	85
Miscellaneous	295	820	-	-	295	820
Sewer Operations	-	-	1,949	1,655	1,949	1,655
Total Expenses	30,515	27,954	1,949	1,655	32,464	29,609
Change in net assets	964	287	(1,101)	(802)	(137)	(515)
Net assets - beginning of year (as restated)	10,497	10,210	10,255	11,507	20,752	21,267
Net assets - end of year	\$11,461	\$10,497	\$9,154	\$10,255	\$20,615	\$20,752

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net assets were \$ 20,616,120, a decrease of \$ (136,687) from the prior year.

By far the largest portion of net assets \$ 16,072,683 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net assets \$ 821,860 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets \$ 3,721,577 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities for the year resulted in an increase in net assets of \$ 964,006. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

Governmental Activities

General fund operating results	\$( 520,677)
Capital assets acquired by tax levy	1,388,938
Nonmajor fund – accrual basis	412,617
Excess depreciation	( 236,050)
Other GAP accruals	( 80,822)
Total	\$ <u>964,006</u>

**Business-Type Activities.** Business-type activities for the year resulted in a decrease in net assets of \$ (1,100,693). This decrease resulted from increased sewer expenses with no offsetting increase in rates.

## **D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS**

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental funds.** The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources.

Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 4,305,722, a decrease of \$ (108,060) in comparison with the prior year. Most of this decrease was attributable to:

	<u>Governmental Funds</u>
General fund, as described below	\$( 520,677)
Non-major fund	412,617
Total	\$(108,060)

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$ 1,342,338, while total fund balance was \$ 2,408,708. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 4.26% of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 7.65% of that same amount.

The fund balance of the general fund decreased by \$ (520,677) during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>
Revenue surplus	\$ 23,423
Appropriation turnbacks	317,667
Use of fund balance to reduce taxes	(600,000)
Excess of tax collections vs. net assessments	\$(145,524)

Fund Balance:

Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations over current yr.	(110,224)
Budgeting timing differences	( 6,019)
Total	\$ (520,677)

**Proprietary funds.** Proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net assets of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$ 2,356,397, a decrease of \$ (805,620) in comparison with the prior year. Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

**E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

There are no differences between the original budget and the final amended budget.

**F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**Capital assets.** Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year-end amounted to \$ 18,717,684 (net of accumulated depreciation), a decrease of \$ 207,313 from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

Purchase of heavy equipment for	
Department of Public Works	\$42,976
Replacement of vehicles	\$266,740
Replacement of equipment for	
Various departments	\$ 88,892
Purchase of fire truck pumper & 2 cruisers	\$ 341,236
Disposal of vehicles	\$ ( 82,000)
Building Improvements	\$ 35,427
Purchase of Land	\$ 479,967

**Long-term debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$ 4,500,729, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

**REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report represents a condensed version of the Town of Goffstown’s financial statements for FYE 12/31/05. **Not all schedules and footnotes are presented in this town report version.** Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Janice O’Connell, Finance Director  
Town of Goffstown  
16 Main Street  
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

## STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ----- DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental	Business-	Total
	Activities	Type Activities	
<b>ASSETS: Current</b>			
Cash and short-term investments	10,768,660	1,880,241	12,648,901
Investments	844,025	-	844,025
Receivables, net of allowance for un-collectibles:			
Property Taxes	1,613,706	-	1,613,706
User Fees	65,553	34,950	100,503
Special Assessments	-	132,054	132,054
Intergovernmental	120,990	114,139	235,129
Other assets	57,067	-	57,067
Non-current:			
Receivables, net of allowance for un-collectibles:			
Spec. Assessment & Intergovernmental	-	320,624	320,624
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	9,699,493	9,018,191	18,717,684
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 23,169,494</b>	<b>\$11,500,199</b>	<b>\$ 34,669,693</b>
<b>LIABILITIES: Current:</b>			
Vouchers payable	\$548,637	\$66,820	\$615,457
Accrued liabilities	210,066	44,085	255,151
Due to school district	7,302,429	-	7,302,429
Due to other governments	5,378	-	5,378
Other current liabilities	19,598	11,284	30,882
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	253,311	365,000	618,311
Other liabilities	56,339	-	56,339
Non-current:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	2,027,418	1,855,000	3,882,418
Other liabilities, net of current portion	1,283,785	3,423	1,287,208
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$11,707,961</b>	<b>\$2,345,612</b>	<b>\$14,053,573</b>
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$9,274,493	\$6,798,190	\$16,072,683
Restricted for Permanent funds:			
Nonexpendable	641,051	-	641,051
Expendable	180,809	-	180,809
Unrestricted	1,365,180	2,356,397	3,721,577
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$11,461,533</b>	<b>\$9,154,587</b>	<b>\$20,616,120</b>

Notes to financial statements available through financial office.

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

	Program Revenues				Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets		
	Charges for		Grants and Contributions		Governmental Type	Business- Type	Total
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Oper.</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activity</u>	
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>							
General government	1,657,395	113,106	148,475	-	(1,395,814)	-	(1,395,814)
Public safety	5,647,324	536,803	196,614	-	(4,913,907)	-	(4,913,907)
Public works	6,250,281	257,974	44,675	534,243	(5,413,389)	-	(5,413,389)
Health and welfare	58,100	-	-	-	(58,100)	-	(58,100)
Library	888,246	101,162	473,191	-	(314,893)	-	(314,893)
County assessments	1,540,280	-	-	-	(1,540,280)	-	(1,540,280)
School district assessments	14,084,107	-	-	-	(14,084,107)	-	(14,084,107)
Debt service	94,279	-	-	-	(94,279)	-	(94,279)
Miscellaneous	294,917	-	-	-	(294,917)	-	(294,917)
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>30,514,929</b>	<b>1,008,045</b>	<b>862,955</b>	<b>534,243</b>	<b>(28,109,686)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(28,109,686)</b>
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>							
Sewer services	1,948,648	698,449	21,393	-	-	(1,228,806)	(1,228,806)
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>32,463,577</b>	<b>1,706,494</b>	<b>884,348</b>	<b>534,243</b>	<b>(28,109,686)</b>	<b>(1,228,806)</b>	<b>(29,338,492)</b>

### NET (EXPENSES) REVENUES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
Taxes	\$ 24,841,808	-	\$ 24,841,808
Motor vehicle permits	\$ 2,543,011	-	\$ 2,543,011
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	\$ 360,608	-	\$ 360,608
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	\$ 873,605	-	\$ 873,605
Investment income	\$ 92,618	\$ 12,469	\$ 105,087
Miscellaneous	\$ 357,042	\$ 115,644	\$ 472,686
Permanent Fund Contributions	\$ 5,000	-	\$ 5,000
<b>TOTAL Rev. &amp; Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 29,073,692</b>	<b>\$ 128,113</b>	<b>\$ 29,201,805</b>
Change in Net Assets	\$ 964,006	\$ (1,100,693)	\$ (136,687)
Beginning of year	\$ 10,497,527	\$ 10,255,280	\$ 20,752,807
End of year	\$ 11,461,533	\$ 9,154,587	\$ 20,616,120

Notes to financial statements available through the Finance Office.

**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2005**

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Cash and short term investments	\$ 127,436	\$ 503,822
Total Assets	127,436	503,822
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
Escrow deposits	-	503,822
Total Liabilities	-	503,822
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>		
Total net assets held in trust	\$ 127,436	\$ -

Notes to financial statements available through the Finance Office.



*L-R seated: Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux, Exec. Secretary Kathryn Fisher, IT Director, Neil Funcke. L-R Standing: Asst. Town Administrator Jim Bingham, Buildings Supervisor Marc Tessier, IT Technician Matthew Carlone.*

## SELECTMEN'S RESPONSE TO AUDITORS

August 14, 2006

Melanson Heath & Company, P.C.  
102 Perimeter Road  
Nashua, New Hampshire 03063-1301

Dear Auditors:

The following is the response from the Board of Selectmen to the Management Letter comments dated April 4, 2006, prepared by Melanson Heath & Company. The comments in your Management Letter pertain to issues surrounding the audit for year ending December 31, 2005.

**Comment #1 Response:** The Sewer Commission is developing a facilities plan update that includes a financial analysis of their structure. A preliminary financial forecast has been completed and the Commission has approved a two-step phase-in of sewer rate increases beginning with the third calendar quarter of 2006. The Commission will continue to review the rate structure annually. The facilities plan update will be available for review by any and all interested parties upon completion.

**Comment #2 Response:** The Building Department has obtained pre-numbered building permits. Unused building permits are being kept in a secure location. The Building Department Secretary has created a log to track the use of the issued and non-issued pre-numbered building permits.

Respectfully Submitted,  
GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Barbara J. Griffin, Chairman

Bruce F. Hunter, Vice Chairman

Nicholas Campasano

John Caprio

Philip A. D'Avanza



*L to R: Evelyn Redmond, Bookkeeper, Jean Mayberry, Treasurer; Linda Moody, HR Bookkeeper, Janice O'Connell, Finance Director.*

# MS-1 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION FOR YEAR 2006

	ASSESSED VALUATION	TOTAL
<u>LAND</u>	TAXABLE	
Current Use (incl. Conser. Restr.)	\$ 829,400	
Conservation Restriction Assessment	0	
Discretionary Easement	1,200	
Residential	403,299,000	
Commercial/Industrial	48,757,900	
Total Taxable Land		\$452,887,500
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable (est.)		23,897,900
<b><u>BUILDINGS</u></b>		
Residential	\$ 686,112,700	
Manufactured Housing	26,138,000	
Commercial/Industrial	64,017,800	
Discretionary Preservation Easement	13,200	
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$776,281,700
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		87,797,200
<b><u>PUBLIC UTILITIES</u></b>		
Electric	\$ 21,466,100	
Gas	582,900	
Total Public Utilities		\$ 22,049,000
<b>TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS</b>		<b>\$1,251,218,200</b>

<b>EXEMPTIONS:</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	
Certain Disabled Veterans	2	\$374,000
School Dining/Dorms/Kitchen	1	150,000
Blind	14	210,000
Elderly	55	1,825,000
Total Exemptions	72	\$2,035,000

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL,  
COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED \$1,248,659,200

NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH  
TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED \$1,226,610,200

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Mace, Assessor

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
4/103	16 Maple Avenue	157,200	2,771,900	2,929,100
5/14/1	251 Elm St – Kindergarten	280,300	1,127,200	1,407,500
5/97	Wallace Road - GAHS	14,100		14,100
5/98	27 Wallace Road - GAHS	406,200	10,990,100	11,396,300
8/74	Tibbetts Hill Rd. - MVMS	937,200	8,243,600	9,180,800
17/182	689 Mast Road - Bartlett	531,300	1,213,700	1,745,000
34/138	11 School St – Upper El	128,000	210,700	338,700
<b>SCHOOL TOTALS:</b>		<b>2,454,300</b>	<b>24,557,200</b>	<b>27,011,500</b>
<b>GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT</b>				
1/37	Back Mountain Road	472,000		472,000
1/38	Back Mountain Road	967,500	88,700	1,056,200
4/11	off Merrill Road	70,600	5,600	76,200
4/16/2	Mountain Road	102,000		102,000
7/2	Mast Road	42,200	11,000	53,200
7/5	North Mast Road	219,100	104,300	323,400
7/8/1	North Mast Road	103,600	99,700	203,300
7/106/2	High Street	60,700		60,700
<b>GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT TOTALS:</b>		<b>\$2,037,700</b>	<b>309,300</b>	<b>2,347,000</b>
<b>TOWN &amp; CONSERVATION</b>				
1/35	Back Mountain Road	291,800		291,800
2/39/4	off Back Mountain Rd	12,300		12,300
2/64/28	Shirley Hill Road	29,900		29,900
3/9	off School House Road	26,600		26,600
4/61	off New Boston Road	28,500		28,500
5/14	Goffstown Back Road	267,900		267,900
5/15/3	Elm St	20,000		20,000
5/15/4	Elm St	50,000		50,000
5/24	404 Elm Street	362,000	811,300	1,173,300
5/38/39	Juniper Drive	38,400		38,400
6/39/1/A	326 Mast Road	81,000	627,500	708,500
7/3/1	off Mast Road	17,300		17,300
7/72	Mast/Autumn Street	450,700		450,700
8/44	off Locust Hill	13,500		13,500
9/29/1	289 Tirrell Hill Road	76,600	195,600	272,200

<b>Map/Lot</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Bldg. Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
10/11	Tenney Road	6,500		6,500
12/10A	Montelona Rd (off)	118,500		118,500
15/58	Rosemont Street	80,600		80,600
15/59	Rosemont Street	5,800		5,800
15/57A	Rosemont Street	90,000	103,400	193,400
15/73A	31 Rosemont Street	6,000		6,000
17/37	656 Mast Rd.	87,500	439,000	526,500
17/238	36 Laurier Street	171,500	12,500	184,000
19/15	19 Channel Lane	17,000	2,000	19,000
19/47	off Sharon St	250,000		250,000
21/85	60 Cove Street	59,200		59,200
21/64A	Riverside Drive	26,400		26,400
21/120A	Moose Club Park Rd	29,000		29,000
24-37	Andre/Russell	15,900		15,900
24/44	Rem Drive	7,400		7,400
24/44R/6	Rem Drive	15,100		15,100
24/59A	Lynchville Park Road	31,700		31,700
26/13A	Mast Rd./Henry Bridge	10,700		10,700
27/23	Henry Bridge Road	23,400		23,400
27/25	86 Center Street	45,000	2,000	47,000
28/28	87 Center St	58,800	141,500	200,300
30/81	Barnard Lane	134,800	146,100	280,900
30/25A	Pineridge Road	10,000		10,000
30/29/A	Highland Avenue	11,100		11,100
31/19	155 S Mast St	75,500	142,200	217,700
31/22	off Mast Road	51,800		51,800
32/26E/18	Hermsdorf Avenue	11,600		11,600
32/26E/19	Hermsdorf Avenue	11,700		11,700
32/26E/22	Hermsdorf Avenue	11,600		11,600
32/26E/30	Janice Drive	11,600		11,600
32/26E/55	Thomas Drive	11,900		11,900
34/83	16 Main Street	212,900	588,400	801,300
34/96	Church Street	117,800	12,700	130,500
34/99	Church Street	147,200		147,200
34/107	2 High Street	176,100	268,500	444,600
34/129	Mill Street	34,100		34,100
34/148	Main Street	176,000	9,200	185,200
34/152	Main Street	138,400		138,400
34/177	East Union Street	105,300	69,000	174,300
35/48	Island on Glen Lake	250,400		250,400
37/9	N Mast St	45,000		45,000
38/13	18 Church Street	159,500	270,000	429,500

<b>Map/Lot</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Bldg. Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
40/1	Crescent Lane	48,700		48,700
40/8	Perimeter Road	4,500		4,500
40/11	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/12	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	33,000		33,000
40/14	Crescent Lane	4,600		4,600
40/15	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,600		4,600
40/16	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/17	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/18	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/19	Crescent Lane	4,300		4,300
40/20	Crescent Lane	4,300		4,300
40/21	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/22	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,600		4,600
40/23	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/24	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/25	Crescent Lane	4,900		4,900
40/27	Perimeter Road	4,600		4,600
40/29	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,600		4,600
40/34	Summit Road	4,400		4,400
40/35	Summit Road	4,400		4,400
40/42	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/4A	Uncanoonuc Mtn.	26,600		26,600
40/47	197 Perimeter Road	30,800	300	31,100
40/50	off Perimeter Road	5,000		5,000
40/53	Beech Lane	4,400		4,400
40/54	Summit Avenue	4,400		4,400
40/56	Maple Lane	4,400		4,400
40/57	Maple Lane	4,400		4,400
40/58	Summit Road	4,400		4,400
40/59	Maple Lane	4,600		4,600
40/60	41 Crescent Lane	4,400		4,400
40/61	Chestnut Lane	4,400		4,400
40/63	Chestnut Lane	4,400		4,400
40/64	Chestnut Ln/Summit	4,600		4,600
40/65	Beech Lane	4,600		4,600
40/66	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/67	Beech Lane	4,400		4,400
40/68	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/69	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/70	Chestnut Lane	4,400		4,400
40/71	Chestnut Lane	4,500		4,500

<b>Map/Lot</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Bldg. Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
40/72	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,300		4,300
40/73	off Perimeter Road	4,400		4,400
40/74	Chestnut Lane	4,700		4,700
40/76	Birch Lane	4,400		4,400
40/77	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/78	Birch Lane	4,300		4,300
40/79	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,400		4,400
40/80	Birch Lane	4,400		4,400
40/81	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,400		4,400
40/82	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/83	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/85	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/86	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/87	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/88	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/89	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/90	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/91	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/92	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,500		4,500
40/93	Cedar Lane	4,300		4,300
40/94	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/95	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,600		4,600
40/97	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/98	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/99	Pine Lane	4,600		4,600
40/101	Pine Lane	4,700		4,700
40/103	off Perimeter Road	4,400		4,400
40/104	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/105	Summit Ave.	4,700		4,700
40/106	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/107	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/113	Perimeter Road	122,100	61,600	183,700
40/115	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	163,500		163,500
40/47A	off Perimeter Road	4,500		4,500
40/50A	off Perimeter Road	4,300		4,300
41/6	Forest Avenue	9,000		9,000
41/7	36 Incline Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/9	Incline Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/14	Mountain/Park Ave.	10,600		10,600
41/16	Mountain Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/17	Mountain Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/19	Uncanoonuc Avenue	9,000		9,000

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
41/21	Park Avenue	15,500		15,500
41/22	Crown Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/23	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,500		8,500
41/24	Uncanoonuc Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/29	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/30	Incline Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/31	S. Mountain Base	8,800		8,800
41/32	Kaoka Avenue	9,900		9,900
41/33	Kaoka Avenue	13,800		13,800
41/34	Chocorua Avenue	23,100		23,100
41/35	Wonolancet Avenue	13,000		13,000
41/36	Wonolancet Avenue	25,700		25,700
41/37	Mascoma Avenue	17,900		17,900
41/37A	Mascoma Avenue	9,900		9,900
41/38	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/39	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/40	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/41	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/42	Chocorua Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/43	Chocorua Avenue	11,600		11,600
41/45	Kaoka Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/46	Kaoka Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/47	Kaoka Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/48	Kaoka Avenue	10,000		10,000
41/49	Kaoka Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/50	Kaoka Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/51	Mascoma Avenue	44,400	5,000	49,400
41/56	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/61	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/62	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/69	46 Incline Avenue	45,200	14,400	59,600
41/75	S. Mtn. Base/RR Ave.	14,200		14,200
41/76	Railroad Avenue	9,300		9,300
41/77	Railroad Avenue	11,300		11,300
41/78	Railroad Avenue	5,200		5,200
41/79	Mascoma Avenue	9,300		9,300
41/80	S. Mtn. Base Road	9,200		9,200
41/64A	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
42/2	Railroad Avenue	9,700		9,700
42/4	Railroad Avenue	8,400		8,400
42/5	off Railroad Avenue	9,600		9,600

<b>Map/Lot</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Bldg. Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
42/6	3 Orr St	46,800	8,000	54,800
42/12	Incline Avenue	8,900		8,900
42/15	Mountain Avenue	9,200		9,200
42/18	Mountain Avenue	10,200		10,200
42/19	Orr Street	9,200		9,200
42/22	Park Ave	11,700		11,700
42/23	Crown Avenue	12,800		12,800
42/24	Chestnut Slope	120,000		120,000
42/25	Chestnut Slope	9,200		9,200
42/28	165 Mountain Base Road	8,800		8,800
42/29	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/30	169 Mountain Base Rd	45,900	10,700	56,600
42/31	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/32	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/33	Chestnut Slope	9,200		9,200
42/35	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/36	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/37	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/40	off Mtn. Base Road	9,200		9,200
42/41	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/42	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/45	Lake Uncanoonuc	9,100		9,100
42/51	Railroad Avenue	5,200		5,200
43/24/1	Arrowhead Dr	66,000	20,000	86,000
<b>TOTAL TOWN &amp; CONSERVATION: \$</b>		<b>6,597,400</b>	<b>4,666,100</b>	<b>11,263,500</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$11,089,400</b>	<b>29,532,600</b>	<b>40,622,000</b>

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MS-4

**DUE  
SEPTEMBER 1  
FY 2006**

**Town: GOFFSTOWN**

**REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)**

Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.	For Use By Municipality	Reserved for Use By DRA
<b>TAXES</b>				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	9	95,692	
3180	Resident Taxes			
3185	Timber Taxes	9	17,444	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes			
3189	Other Taxes			
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	9	180,193	
	Inventory Penalties			
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)			
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	9	5,151	
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	9	2,602,963	
3230	Building Permits	9	64,503	
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	9	23,488	
3311-3319	<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	9	138,815	
<b>FROM STATE</b>				
3351	Shared Revenues	9	105,427	
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	9	689,072	
3353	Highway Block Grant	9	356,594	
3354	Water Pollution Grant	9	137,440	
3355	Housing & Community Development			
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement			
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax) State Grants	9	300,996	
3379	<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>			
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>				
3401-3406	Income from Departments	9	403,652	
3409	Other Charges	9	125,647	

**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES**

3501 Sale of Municipal Property		
3502 Interest on Investments	9	113,044
3503-3509 Other	9	267,240

**INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN**

3912 Special Revenue Funds: EMS & Sewer	9&19	555,972
3913 Capital Projects Fund		
3914 Enterprise Fund		
Sewer - (Offset)	9	1,785,983
Water - (Offset)		
Electric - (Offset)		
Airport - (Offset)		
3915 Capital Reserve Fund		
3916 Trust & Agency Funds	9	4,370

**OTHER FINANCING SOURCES**

3934 Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		
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**SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES** 7,973,686

General Fund Balance\*\*

For Municipal Use

Unreserved Fund Balance	\$2,816,639.	
Voted From "Surplus"	\$0	0
Fund Balance - Retained	\$2,816,639.	
Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes		500,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>		<b>\$8,473,686</b>

REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6) \$65,420

Janice M. O'Connell, Finance Director 10/16/2006

PREPARER'S SIGNATURE AND TITLE DATE

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - YEAR 2007 MS - 7

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WARR ART. #	PRIOR YEAR		APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR			
		APPROPRIA- TIONS AS APPROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPEND- ITURES	SELECTMEN'S		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S	
				RECOM- MENDED	NOT RECOM- MENDED	RECOM- MENDED	NOT RECOM- MENDED
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>							
Executive (incl. IT budget)	14	641,999	619,322	658,999		658,999	
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	14	204,168	198,580	202,764		202,764	
Financial Administration	14	334,545	332,662	357,280		357,280	
Revaluation of Property	14	142,867	150,995	171,972		171,972	
Legal Expense							
Personnel Administration							
Planning & Zoning & Economic Dev.	14	270,007	259,349	280,084		280,084	
General Government Buildings							
Cemeteries	14	89,637	96,128	97,687		97,687	
Insurance							
Advertising & Regional Assoc. Other General Government (expen. incl. grant award)	14	22,010	15,915	23,715		23,715	
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>							
Police (expenses incl. grant awards)	14	3,452,873	3,216,096	3,692,673		3,692,673	
Ambulance: Emer. Med. Srvcs.							
Fire (expen. incl. grant awards)	14	1,953,488	1,864,985	1,953,488		1,953,488	
Building Inspection	14	109,189	107,241	117,081		117,081	
Emergency Management	14	4,276	3,143	4,001		4,001	
Other Public Safety (including communications)							
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</b>							

Admin., Highway. & Streets (expen. incl. FEMA)	14	2,928,786	3,716,040	3,138,403	3,138,403
Bridges					
<b>SANITATION</b>					
Administration & Solid Waste Collection	14	1,246,238	1,314,128	1,221,158	1,221,158
Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup					
Sewage Collection Disposal & Other					
<b>WATER DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>					
Admin. & Water Services					
Water Treatment, Conservation & Other					
<b>ELECTRIC</b>					
Administration & Generation					
Purchase Costs					
Electric Equipment Maintenance					
Other Electric Costs					
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Administration & Pest Control					
Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other					
<b>WELFARE</b>					
Administration & Direct Assistance	14	62,833	65,376	68,058	68,058
Intergov. Welfare Payments					
Vendor Payments & Other					
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>					
Parks & Recreation	14	337,841	320,589	342,263	342,263
Library	14	558,661	566,995	593,371	593,371
Other Culture & Recreation: Public Access TV	14	43,497	44,033	51,578	51,578

**CONSERVATION**Administration & Purchases  
of Natural Resources

Other Conservation

Redevelopment &amp; Housing

Economic Development

**DEBT SERVICE**

Princ. - Long Term Bonds &amp; Notes 14 253,311 253,311 253,311 253,311

Interest-Long Term Bonds &amp; Notes 14 89,440 89,440 79,778 79,778

Interest on TANs 14 1 0 1 1

Other Debt Service

**CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Land &amp; Improvements 14 238,000 220,140 921,150 921,150

Machinery, Vehicles &amp; Equip. 14 688,279 593,653 428,000 428,000

Buildings

Improv. Other than Buildings 14 409,860 329,612 121,544 121,544

**OPERATING TRANSFERS  
OUT**

To Special Revenue Fund 14 310,991 274,095 326,954 326,954

To Capital Projects Fund

To Enterprise Fund

Sewer- 14 1,923,423 1,338,663 1,663,215 1,663,215

Water-

Electric-

To Capital Reserve Fund

To Expendable Trust Funds  
(except Health Maint. Trust  
Fund)To Health Maintenance Trust  
FundTo Nonexpendable Trust  
Funds

To Agency Funds

**SUBTOTAL 1** 14 16,316,220 15,990,491 16,768,528 16,768,528

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WARR ART. #	PRIOR YEAR		APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR			
		APPROPRIATIONS AS APPROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	SELECTMEN'S		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S	
				RECOM-MENDED	NOT RECOM-MENDED	RECOM-MENDED	NOT RECOM-MENDED
GRASMERE TOWN HALL CAP. RESERVE FUND	17			100,000			100,000
MAIN STREET PROGRAM	19	15,000	15,000	15,000		15,000	
ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTERS	21			295,438		295,438	
POLICE CONTRACT		40,277	40,277				
DPW CONTRACT		35,518	35,518				
<b>SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended</b>				410,438		310,438	

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WARR ART. #	PRIOR YEAR		APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR			
		APPROPRIATIONS AS APPROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN		BUDGET COMMITTEE	
				RECOM-MENDED	NOT RECOM-MENDED	RECOM-MENDED	NOT RECOM-MENDED
LYNCHVILLE / DANIS PARK AREA WATER BOND	13			2,537,000		2,537,000	
DPW ROAD RECLAMATION & RESURFACING	15	1,821,000	1,821,000	1,473,665		1,473,665	
CONSERVATION LAND EASEMENTS	30				250,000		250,000
EMS AMBULANCE REIMBURSEMENT		94,427	94,427				
<b>SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended</b>				4,010,665		4,010,665	

## YEAR 2007 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN MS-7

SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year (from MS4)	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE for Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>TAXES</b>				
Land Use Change Taxes	14	95,692	36,214	95,700
Resident Taxes				
Timber Yield Taxes	14	17,444	18,883	20,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
Other Taxes				
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	14	180,193	157,040	190,000
<b>INVENTORY PENALTIES</b>				
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>				
Business Licenses & Permits	14	5,151	4,976	5,150
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	14	2,602,963	2,529,250	2,625,707
Building Permits	14	64,503	66,760	77,100
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	14	23,488	23,461	24,600
<b>FROM FEDERAL GOV. (FEMA &amp; other)</b>	14	138,815	784,178	5,000
<b>FROM STATE</b>				
Shared Revenues	14	105,427	116,137	105,427
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	14	641,332	689,072	689,072
Highway Block Grant	14	356,594	356,594	344,455
Water Pollution Grant	14	137,440	137,440	129,820
Housing & Community Development				
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
Flood Control Reimbursement				
Other (Including Railroad Tax) State Grants	13 & 14	300,996	378,360	1,151,443
<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>				
Income from Departments	14	403,652	414,908	435,513
Other Charges	14	125,647	128,972	128,391
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>				
Sale of Municipal Property	14			5,000

Interest on Investments	13 & 14	113,044	113,331	152,950
Other	14 & 21	267,240	229,874	289,678
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>				
Special Revenue Funds: EMS & Sewer	14 & 21	555,972	564,564	555,492
Capital Projects Fund				
Enterprise Fund				
Sewer - (Offset)	14	1,785,983	1,201,223	1,533,395
Water - (Offset)				
Electric - (Offset)				
Capital Reserve Fund				
Trust & Agency Funds	14	4,370	4,569	7,170
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes	13			1,649,050
Amounts Voted from "Surplus"				
"Surplus" Used in Prior Yr to Reduce Taxes			500,000	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		<b>7,925,946</b>	<b>8,455,806</b>	<b>10,220,113</b>

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>SELECTMAN</b>	<b>BUDGET COMMITTEE</b>
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)	16,768,528	16,768,528
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles (from page 4)	410,438	310,438
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by Law (from page 4)	4,010,665	4,010,665
<b>TOTAL Appropriations Recommended</b>	<b>21,189,631</b>	<b>21,089,631</b>
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes)	10,220,113	10,220,113
<b>Amount of Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>10,969,518</b>	<b>10,869,518</b>

## 2006 TAX RATE CALCULATION

### Town Portion

Appropriations	18,322,442	
Less: Revenues	8,473,686	
Less: Shared Revenues	111,651	
Add: Overlay	65,420	
War Service Credits	460,000	
Net Town Appropriation		10,262,525

### Municipal Tax Rate

8.22

### School Portion

Net Local School Budget	23,994,023	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(5,058,937)	
State Education Taxes	(3,512,588)	
Net School Appropriation		15,422,498

### Local Education Rate

12.35

State Education Taxes	3,512,588	
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### State Education Rate

2.86

### County Portion

Due to County	1,571,433	
Less: Shared Revenues	(15,195)	
Approved County Tax Effort		1,556,238

### County Tax Rate

1.25

### Total Tax Rate

24.68

Total Taxes Assessed 30,753,849

Less: War Service Credits (460,000)

### Total Property Tax Commitment

30,293,849

### Proof of Rate

	Net Valuation	Tax Rate	Tax Assessment
State Education Tax	1,226,610,200	2.86	3,512,588
All Other Taxes	1,248,659,200	21.82	27,241,261
			30,753,849

# TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

## DEBIT

**Levies of:** **2006** **2005**

Uncollected Taxes		
at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		\$1,402,647
Land Use Change	\$23,100	
Yield Taxes		
Taxes Committed this Year:		
Property Taxes	\$30,298,240	
Land Use Change	\$84,300	
Yield Taxes	\$29,709	
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	\$59,682	\$6,481
Interest and Cost Collected on		
Delinquent Tax:	\$22,757	\$40,563
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$30,517,788</b>	<b>\$1,449,691</b>

## CREDIT

Remittance to Treasurer:	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Property Taxes	\$28,901,183	\$985,585
Land Use Change	\$91,700	
Yield Taxes	\$14,529	
Interest & Costs	\$22,757	\$40,563
Conversion to Lien	\$5,000	\$411,521
Abatements Made:		
Timber Taxes	\$15,180	
Property Taxes		\$4,551
Deferrals		\$7,471
Uncollected Taxes		
End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$1,456,739	
Land Use Change	\$10,700	
Yield Taxes	\$0	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$30,517,788</b>	<b>\$1,449,691</b>

# TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

## Summary of Tax Lien Accounts Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

### DEBIT

	Levies of:		
	2005	2004	2000-2003
Unredeemed Lien Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		\$205,106	\$78,452
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year:	\$446,207		
Interest & Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	\$14,392	\$19,987	\$28,888
Refunds of Liened Property:	\$573		
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$461,172</b>	<b>\$225,093</b>	<b>\$107,340</b>

### CREDIT

	2005	2004	2000-2003
Remittance to Treasurer			
Redemptions:	\$216,914	\$101,486	\$76,750
Interest/Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	\$14,392	\$19,987	\$28,888
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes:	\$505		
Liens Deeded to Municipality:			
Unredeemed Lien Balance at End of Year:	\$229,361	\$103,620	\$1,702
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$461,172</b>	<b>\$225,093</b>	<b>\$107,340</b>

2006 TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2006 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2007

Once again, the Tax Department wishes to thank the taxpayers of Goffstown for all of your cooperation in 2006. We look forward to serving you in the coming year.

**Gail L. Lavallee**  
Tax Collector

# BALANCE SHEET

## TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/2006

### ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,419,038
Investments	198,285
Taxes receivable	1,970,533
Accounts receivable	25,404
Overlay	(121,010)
Due from other governments	419,627
Due from others	<u>41,093</u>
 Total Assets and Other Debits	 \$ <u><u>13,952,969</u></u>

### LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS

#### Liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$ 367,180
Due to School District	8,335,086
Other liabilities and accrued expenses	<u>196,794</u>

Total Liabilities \$ 8,899,060

#### Equity and Other Credits:

##### Fund balances:

Reserved for encumbrances	\$ 2,306,472
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>2,747,438</u>

Total Equity and Other Credits \$ 5,053,909

Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits \$ 13,952,969

# TREASURY REPORT

## Unaudited for Year Ending December 31, 2006

Cash on Hand - January 1, 2006	\$ 9,689,472.23
Deposits, Transfers & Adjustments	<u>37,230,042.04</u>
Total Cash	46,919,514.27
Disbursements, Transfers & Adjustments	<u>35,303,041.58</u>
Cash on Hand - December 31, 2006	<u><u>\$ 11,616,472.69</u></u>
Citizens Bank	\$ 11,418,187.68
MBIA	43,466.76
Bank of America	<u>154,818.25</u>
	<u><u>\$ 11,616,472.69</u></u>



*Standing L-R, Town Clerk Donna Bergeron,, Karen LeClerc, Stephanie Barrett  
Seated L-R: Deputy Tax Collector Renee Millson, Tax Collector Gail Lavallee  
Absent: Rosemary Garretson, Annie Bullis.*

## DEBT SCHEDULE

Year	Principal	Interest	Total	Year	Principal	Interest	Total
<b>1989 General Obligation Bond – Sewer</b>				<b>Total SEWER BONDS:</b>			
2007	100,000	3,500	103,500	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>1,855,000</b>	<b>369,053</b>	<b>2,224,053</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>103,500</b>				
<b>1990 General Obligation Bond – Sewer</b>				<b>2001 Landfill Closure SRLFs</b>			
2007	105,000	31,894	136,894	Year	Principal	Int./Fees	Total
2008	105,000	24,806	129,806	2007	168,311	62,778	231,089
2009	105,000	17,719	122,719	2008	168,311	56,515	224,826
2010	105,000	10,631	115,631	2009	168,311	50,252	218,563
2011	105,000	3,544	108,544	2010	168,311	43,990	212,301
<b>Total</b>	<b>525,000</b>	<b>88,594</b>	<b>613,594</b>	2011	168,311	37,727	206,038
<b>1994 General Obligation Bond – Sewer</b>				2012	168,311	31,464	199,775
2007	25,000	5,478	30,478	2013	168,311	25,200	193,511
2008	25,000	3,931	28,931	2014	168,311	18,938	187,249
2009	25,000	2,363	27,363	2015	168,311	12,675	180,986
2010	25,000	788	25,788	2016	168,311	6,412	174,723
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>12,599</b>	<b>112,559</b>	2017	4,311	150	4,460
<b>1998 General Obligation Bond – Sewer</b>				<b>Total</b>	<b>1,687,421</b>	<b>346,101</b>	<b>2,033,519</b>
2007	55,000	18,588	73,588	<b>2004 Municipal Curbside Recycling Bond</b>			
2008	55,000	15,975	70,975	2007	85,000	17,000	102,000
2009	55,000	13,363	68,636	2008	85,000	12,750	97,750
2010	55,000	10,750	65,750	2009	85,000	8,500	93,500
2011	55,000	8,000	63,000	2010	85,000	4,250	89,250
2012	55,000	5,250	60,250	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>340,000</b>	<b>42,500</b>	<b>382,500</b>
2013	50,000	2,500	52,500				
<b>Total</b>	<b>380,000</b>	<b>74,425</b>	<b>454,425</b>				
<b>2001 General Obligation Bond – Sewer</b>							
2007	75,000	33,806	108,806				
2008	75,000	30,713	105,713				
2009	75,000	27,488	102,488				
2010	75,000	24,206	99,206				
2011	75,000	20,831	95,831				
2012	75,000	17,456	92,456				
2013	75,000	14,081	89,081				
2014	75,000	10,631	85,631				
2015	75,000	7,163	82,163				
2016	75,000	3,600	78,600				
<b>Total</b>	<b>750,000</b>	<b>189,975</b>	<b>939,975</b>				

## TOWN CLERK TRANSACTIONS

	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>2005</b> \$	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>2006</b> \$
<b>Motor Vehicle Permits:</b>				
Automobiles	20,049	\$2,495,808.79	19,890	\$2,467,178.59
Municipal Agent Fees	18,998	\$47,495.00	19,122	\$47,805.00
Title Fees (CTA's)	3,610	\$7,220.00	3,376	\$6,782.00
Mail-In Fees	14,804	\$14,804.00	15,118	\$15,118.00
Boat Registrations	203	\$2,808.26	293	\$3,999.36
Boat Agent Fees	203	\$304.50	290	\$435.00
E-Registrations	51	\$121.70	152	\$387.70
<b>Protested Checks</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>\$1,159.00</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>\$1,056.00</b>
<b>Dog Licenses</b>				
Fines	35	\$1,100.00	46	\$1,250.00
Licenses *	1,208	\$9,101.50	1,179	\$8,455.00
<b>Filing Fees</b>				
Articles of Agree.	1	\$10.00	3	\$15.00
Game Licenses	11	\$975.00	11	\$925.00
Pole Licenses	0	\$0.00	5	\$50.00
Filing Fees	47	\$685.00	26	\$354.38
Candidate Filings	9	\$9.00	23	\$37.00
UCCs	244	\$3,635.00	248	\$3,700.00
<b>Vital Records:</b>				
Birth Certificates *	287	\$3,184.00	259	\$2,868.00
Death Certificates *	455	\$4,212.00	518	\$4,700.00
Marriage Licenses *	87	\$3,915.00	62	\$2,790.00
Marriage Certificates *	195	\$2,000.00	197	\$1,900.00
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>		<b>\$485.31</b>		<b>\$256.32</b>
<b>Amount Remitted to Treasurer</b>		<b>\$2,599,033.06</b>		<b>\$2,570,062.35</b>

\* Revenues prior to payments to the State of New Hampshire

## TOWN CLERK OFFICE

The Town Clerk's office is regulated by state RSAs and Administrative Rules. The policies that we have established in the Town Clerk and Registration offices are for your protection. Privacy laws prohibit us from releasing most information over the phone. In particular, only a person whose name is on a motor vehicle registration can be told anything about the registration. We will no longer renew a motor vehicle registration unless you have your previous registration or the mail-in renewal form. If you are a new resident, you must bring proof of residency with you and you must bring your previous registration.

In January we made a couple of changes within town hall. The Town Clerk has been relocated to room 210. Registration functions remain in room 201. I would like to welcome Stephanie Barrett and Annie Bullis who have joined our staff. A special thanks goes to Rosemary Garretson for all the time she has spent providing office coverage for staff during vacation and training.

Our "E-Reg" motor vehicle program continues to grow. For a small servicing fee you may wish to avoid waiting in line and take advantage of this electronic method to renew your registrations. Simply go on-line to [www.goffstown.com](http://www.goffstown.com), click on the moose plate and follow the instructions. Our mail-in registration renewal program continues. Notices are mailed out by the State by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to your registration expiration. Please, read the instructions on the notice carefully. If you wish to receive your decals from us, there is a \$2.50 processing fee, which is included in the municipal fees shown on the renewal notice. If you deduct this fee from the amount shown on your mail-in renewal form, you will need to go to a State Motor Vehicle office to complete your registration and obtain your decals. You must send two checks and a self-addressed stamped envelope. Please remember to change your address with the State Motor Vehicle Licensing Bureau even if you are moving within the Town of Goffstown. Mail-in forms are not forwarded. Approximately 6% of the notices are being returned for bad addresses. The "E-Reg" web site also allows you to "Get an Estimate". This "estimate" is based on the information you supply. You are always welcome to renew in person.

Just a reminder, for a small processing fee of \$1.50, we are able to process new and renewal boat registrations and Goffstown benefits by keeping the town portion of your registration fees. If you mail your payment to the state, all funds are retained by the state. Please be sure to bring your state renewal form or previous registration and your driver's license.

In June, the State introduced the new statewide voter registration database system (SVRS) ensuring compliance with the Help America Vote Act. This new statewide system maintains the current practice that all voter registration is controlled by local officials, but requires the storage of an electronic record of each voter in a computer system that is managed at the state level.

Residents may register to vote at the Town Hall during regular office hours or with the Checklist Supervisors when they are in session. These sessions are posted and notice given in the *Goffstown News*. Residents may also register to vote on Election day in the appropriate polling district. Proof of residency is required in the form of a photo ID such as a New Hampshire driver's license, with the Goffstown address imprinted on it. Without such imprinted address, a second proof of residency will be required (i.e. – utility bill, lease agreement). Please remember to complete address change forms (available at Town Hall) even if you move within Goffstown. Goffstown has two (2) polling locations:

District 1 - Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Road, Goffstown:  
Includes residents living in the Goffstown Village and Grasmere area (from Route 114/114A intersection westerly to the Weare, New Boston and Dunbarton town lines and includes residents on the east side of the Piscataquog River.

District 5 – Bartlett Elementary School, 689 Mast Road, Pinardville:  
Includes residents from the Route 114/114A intersection to the Piscataquog River and easterly to the Manchester line.

State law mandates that all dogs over the age of four (4) months must be licensed annually. Dog licenses are effective May 1 to April 30 regardless of when the license is issued. Failure to comply results in a penalty of \$1.00 per month after May 31<sup>st</sup> and you may be subject to a \$25.00 unlicensed dog fine. A puppy needs to be registered as soon as it receives its first rabies shot. Dog registration fees are \$6.50 for a spayed/neutered animal; if they have not been neutered the fee is \$9.00. Residents must present a current rabies certificate and certificate of neutering (if applicable) in order for the Town Clerk to process a dog license.

You may renew your dog's registration via mail. You must send a copy of the rabies certificate showing the rabies expiration date and rabies tag number. Be sure to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope and your check payable to the Town of Goffstown. A renewal form is available on our town website.

Feel free to call us if you have any questions. The staff in the Town Clerk and Registration offices are here to help you in any way we can.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna A. Bergeron, Town Clerk

## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The Trustees saw another significant increase in the total portfolio balances during 2006. These increases were due principally to two sources. In January the Trustees received \$300,000 that was approved by voters in a warrant article in 2005 to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for improvements to the Bartlett Elementary School.

We also received the final installment from the Sandra A. Ellison Trust. This very generous bequest of over \$290,000 established a new scholarship fund for high school seniors who are residents of Goffstown. We appreciate each gift that is received and those who generously think of the town, its citizens and their future.

None of these gifts should go unrecognized nor should the generosity of past benefactors to our Town. Their kindness has made our lives and those of future generations that much richer. The Trustees of the Trust Funds wish to thank this year's benefactors for their kindness and thoughtfulness.

During the year 2006 US Trust continued to provide financial planning services, as Agents for the Trustees of the Trust Funds per an agreement dated April 30, 1992. These services cover the largest portion of the funds under the custody of the Trustees. The Trustees believe that the agents at US Trust have positioned our current investment portfolio so that it will continue to generate a positive yield for the present and into the future. These assets are managed as a common pool of assets, and allocated among the various funds.

The various capital reserve funds are maintained in separate accounts and are on deposit with the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool at MBIA Asset Management. The capital reserve funds are managed with a primary objective to preserve capital and at the same time generate a reasonable return.

The Report of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, as represented on the following pages, details the various Trust Fund Accounts that were under the custody of the Trustees as of December 31, 2006.

Respectively submitted;

Kenneth Rose

Earl S. Carrel

Calvin Pratt

Trustees of the Trust Fund

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
DECEMBER 31, 2006

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	ENDING BALANCE AT COST	PRINCIPAL		CURRENT ADDITIONS/ LOSS ON SECURITIES	WITHDRAWALS	YEAR END BALANCE AT COST	INCOME				TOTAL PRINCIPAL AND INCOME
					BEGINNING BALANCE AT COST	ENDING BALANCE AT COST				BEGINNING YEAR	CURRENT YEAR	ALLOCATED EXPENSES	INCOME EXPENDED	
1	1980 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	35,945.62	85,013.15	2,286.76	-	50,000.00	1,941.88	1,941.88	16.59	16.59	5,073.11	9,216.57
2	1980 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	6,999.96	57,742.62	62,173.37	2,284.79	87,644.41	583.37	583.37	16.53	16.53	5,296.95	9,714.36
3	1997 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00195	218.64	1,061.65	28.52	-	118.23	64.62	6.92	6.92	196.13	1,338.46
4	Lowell Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00065	533.00	20.07	14.52	-	546.86	13.78	3.17	3.17	136.36	556.46
5	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00039	50.00	50.00	6.74	-	56.74	6.81	1.75	1.75	19.98	278.40
6	Robert St. Pierre	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00029	50.00	242.29	9.39	-	258.42	6.81	1.75	1.75	19.98	278.40
7	Con Cook	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00029	50.00	242.29	9.39	-	258.42	6.81	1.75	1.75	19.98	278.40
8	Edward S. Rodde	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00027	46.00	222.52	8.64	-	237.76	5.23	1.45	1.45	16.40	236.16
9	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00028	50.00	726.50	28.21	-	778.30	5.27	4.74	4.74	44.78	820.08
10	Lorenzo Bohn	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00039	50.00	242.29	9.39	-	258.36	6.81	1.74	1.74	19.96	278.12
11	Emil Hansen	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00573	975.04	4,723.30	131.82	-	5,028.89	207.63	207.63	-	5,236.23	5,236.23
12	1977 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
13	Joseph A. Smith	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
14	Mrs. Clifford Stone	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
15	Mrs. Joseph Hunter	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
16	Mrs. Joseph Hunter	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
17	Mrs. Peter Beeksy	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
18	Christie Karanikas	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00048	275.00	394.76	13.98	-	408.74	10.10	5.17	5.17	85.54	495.54
19	Mrs. H. Thane Rowley	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
20	Elmer Nickerson	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
21	Stanley W. Gordon	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
22	Philip Shepard	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
23	Alfred W. Hill, Jr.	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00010	60.00	86.13	3.94	-	91.86	2.45	0.36	0.36	7.58	99.44
24	Philip Shepard	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	231.23	9.74	-	267.96	7.09	1.59	1.64	20.75	288.70
25	Alfred W. Hill, Jr.	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00010	60.00	86.13	3.94	-	91.86	2.45	0.36	0.36	7.58	99.44
26	Mrs. Carl, Carl	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00537	3,058.58	4,438.16	171.70	-	4,722.88	113.13	268.55	28.53	351.83	5,078.51
27	1987 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
28	Harry E. Batty	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00148	850.00	1,220.20	47.21	-	1,301.44	76.00	74.27	7.95	72.93	1,374.37
29	Robert S. Heind	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
30	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
31	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
32	Carl F. Barton	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	350.00	502.44	19.48	-	535.89	14.11	30.58	3.27	41.42	614.25
33	David L. Bonjou	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	350.00	502.44	19.48	-	535.89	14.11	30.58	3.27	41.42	614.25
34	Joseph F. Goffstoun	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00043	100.00	143.56	5.57	-	153.12	4.11	3.77	0.34	5.21	75.44
35	1979 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	2,775.00	3,382.77	154.43	-	4,247.94	157.69	82.74	0.94	11.88	4,552.02
36	Ganmer Brown	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	350.00	502.44	19.48	-	535.89	14.12	30.58	3.27	41.43	614.25
37	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00035	200.00	297.99	11.13	-	306.20	8.07	17.48	1.87	23.68	328.88
38	Hammond Woodbury Jr.	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00074	425.00	610.12	23.66	-	638.78	37.14	31.84	3.16	38.16	683.90
39	Arthur Bell	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00074	425.00	610.12	23.66	-	638.78	37.14	31.84	3.16	38.16	683.90
40	Mrs. Bernard Bourgauf	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00048	275.00	394.77	15.31	-	425.05	14.12	24.03	2.57	41.43	572.32
41	Donald E. Hall	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00096	550.00	789.56	30.61	-	839.13	10.75	48.06	5.14	53.67	895.80
42	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
43	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
44	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
45	Luther A. Jackson	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	350.00	502.44	19.48	-	535.89	14.12	30.58	3.27	41.43	614.25
46	Mrs. Dinwain Stevens	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00065	375.00	538.34	20.87	-	579.18	21.06	31.51	2.81	41.43	572.32
47	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
48	Joseph F. Goffstoun	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00017	100.00	143.56	5.57	-	153.12	4.11	3.77	0.34	5.21	75.44
49	Mrs. Robert Bourgauff	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00074	425.00	610.12	23.66	-	638.78	37.14	31.84	3.16	38.16	683.90
50	1980 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	5,025.00	7,213.88	275.21	-	7,935.96	120.00	435.10	25.55	70.00	8,506.87
51	John Grant	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00061	350.00	502.44	19.48	-	535.89	14.12	30.58	3.27	41.43	614.25
52	John Flecher	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00052	300.00	430.65	11.97	-	458.32	12.12	26.21	2.81	35.53	494.85
53	Mr. Philip Neal	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00048	275.00	394.78	15.31	-	425.05	11.12	24.03	2.57	30.98	433.64
54	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
55	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
56	Albert Wackford	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00052	300.00	430.65	11.97	-	458.32	12.12	26.21	2.81	35.53	494.85
57	Margaret Stymann	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00052	300.00	430.65	11.97	-	458.32	12.12	26.21	2.81	35.53	494.85
58	John J. McLaughlin	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00030	175.00	230.37	9.71	-	267.04	7.08	1.54	1.63	20.68	287.73
59	Alice Vincent	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00052	300.00	430.65	11.97	-	458.32	12.12	26.21	2.81	35.53	494.85
60	John Parker	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00104	600.00	861.34	33.40	-	918.69	9.66	52.43	5.61	56.88	975.17
61	William Good	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00097	400.00	543.77	19.96	-	563.73	3.97	8.74	0.94	11.79	565.62
62	Philip Goffstoun	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00752	4,325.00	6,208.66	240.74	-	6,622.03	148.25	87.91	0.95	11.88	7,134.78

DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	ENDING BALANCE AT COST	BEGINNING BALANCE	ADDITIONS/ WITHDRAWALS	COMBENT GAIN ON	WITHDRAWALS	YEARS ELAPSED	BALANCE YEAR END	INCOME EXPANDED	ALLOCATED EXPENSES	BEGINNING YEAR	CURRENT YEAR	PRINCIPAL INCOME
65	1981 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	26.21	494.86
66	Alfred & Helen David	Common	250.00	297.10	11.13	7.98	-	366.21	8.08	1.87	17.48	17.48	372.90	
67	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
68	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
69	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
70	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
	TOTAL 1981 FUND		2,025.00	2,907.18	112.73	-	89.23	-	2,907.18	18.94	18.94	81.85	176.96	3,346.61
71	1983 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	700.00	1,004.87	38.86	-	27.94	-	1,071.77	61.17	6.55	20.55	61.17	1,146.94
72	J.R. & Coughlin	Common	275.00	394.78	15.31	10.98	-	421.06	11.12	2.43	25.7	11.12	24.03	453.64
73	Raymond Brian	Common	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
74	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
75	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
76	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
	TOTAL 1982 FUND		1,423.00	1,929.81	118.93	-	89.28	-	1,929.81	21.28	21.28	69.74	118.93	2,129.92
77	Venous Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	4,755.00	6,935.08	265.80	-	193.60	-	7,311.48	41.28	46.46	12,856.35	2,131.95	8,940.45
78	Venous Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	2,495.11	3,725.16	127.48	-	97.48	-	4,050.12	233.89	28.18	6,795.32	1,885.99	6,040.05
79	Common	0.0052	4,755.00	6,935.08	265.80	-	193.60	-	7,311.48	41.28	46.46	12,856.35	2,131.95	8,940.45
80	Ethel Gray	Common	0.22560	14,74.78	119.11	-	587.37	-	22,531.34	1,685.30	173.63	1,685.30	2,833.56	23,364.90
81	Ethel Gray	Common	0.00174	1,435.61	9.57	-	39.92	-	1,531.19	93.10	9.35	1,531.19	97.39	1,713.13
82	1983 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	1,435.61	1,435.61	5.27	-	3.90	-	1,435.61	4.68	0.44	1,435.61	4.68	1,435.61
83	1983 John Sellers Fund	Common	50,231.48	72,115.52	2,796.36	-	2,025.14	-	72,115.52	10,928.12	4,389.75	469.84	-	14,888.13
	TOTAL		3,225.00	3,911.05	151.65	-	109.74	-	3,911.05	28.07	28.07	87.13	238.10	4,471.26
84	1984 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	300.00	430.68	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.35	26.22	2.81	12.13	26.22	494.89
85	Fred A. Hamilton	Common	0.00122	1,004.95	38.87	-	27.94	-	1,071.86	23.51	6.55	20.55	61.17	1,149.99
86	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
87	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
88	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
89	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
90	Common	0.0052	300.00	430.65	16.70	-	11.97	-	493.32	26.21	2.81	12.13	494.86	
	TOTAL OF 1983 FUND		3,725.00	5,211.05	151.65	-	109.74	-	5,211.05	38.13	38.13	115.83	292.76	6,149.95
91	1984 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	575.00	820.63	31.92	-	23.82	-	875.37	49.35	5.35	15.30	49.35	928.27
92	Leslie/Venous Fellows	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28
93	Mrs. Richard Koelle	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28
94	Mrs. Richard Koelle	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28
95	Arlene F. Lively	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28
96	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28	
97	Loretta J. Perry	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28
98	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28	
99	Wilfred S. Whitner	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28
100	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28	
101	Common	0.00659	375.00	20.75	-	14.88	-	370.82	32.58	3.49	15.64	32.58	408.28	
	TOTAL OF 1984 FUND		3,725.00	5,211.05	151.65	-	109.74	-	5,211.05	38.13	38.13	115.83	292.76	6,149.95
102	1985 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
103	Common	0.0052	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
104	Common	0.0052	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
105	Common	0.0052	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
106	Common	0.0052	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
107	Common	0.0052	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
108	Common	0.0052	2,150.00	2,727.95	106.16	-	75.13	-	3,029.24	166.66	17.94	342.41	166.66	3,411.97
	TOTAL		16,595.00	21,629.19	838.87	-	601.39	-	23,960.25	1,316.91	140.22	6,986.33	1,316.91	25,799.13
110	1986 Ethel Gray Fund	Flowers	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
111	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
112	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
113	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
114	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
115	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
116	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
117	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
118	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
119	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
120	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
121	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
122	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
123	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
124	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
125	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
126	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
127	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
128	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
129	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
130	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
131	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
132	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
133	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-	918.69	64.11	6.51	181.11	64.11	1,028.21
134	Common	0.00772	600.00	881.33	33.40	-	25.95	-						



**REPORT OF THE INVESTMENTS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH  
AS OF 12/31/2006**

No of Shares/ Units	Description	Beginning Balance	Add/ Delete	Income/ Purchases	Expended/ Proceeds From Sales	Realized Gains/ Losses	Balance Year End	Market Value Year End
<b>Principal Account</b>								
	Cash/Cash Equivalents	31,868.01		5,288.85	2,130.78 1,500.00		47,992.74	47,992.74
25,000	Chemical Bk NY NY 6.125% 11/01/08	23,012.75		1,531.26			23,012.75	25,371.75
15,000	Citicorp 7% 7/1/07	15,021.00		1,050.00			15,021.00	15,106.80
20,000	Fed. Home Ln Mtg. Corp. 5.75% 1/15/12	20,064.20		1,150.00			20,064.20	20,687.60
25,000	Fed. Home Ln Bks. 3.87% 1/21/2010	25,120.25		968.76			25,120.25	24,226.50
25,000	Fed Home Ln Bks 5.25% 6/11/2010		25,168.25	211.46			25,168.25	25,250.00
20,000	Fed. Nat'l Mtg Assn 5% 1/15/07	20,165.00		1,000.00			20,165.00	20,000.00
25,000	Fed Nat'l Mtg Assn 5.125% 4/15/2011		25,087.50	7.12			25,087.50	25,178.75
25,000	Fed. Home Ln Mtg. Corp. 5.0% 6/19/2008	25,000.00		1,250.00			25,000.00	24,905.50
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 4.25% 10/10/2008	24,775.50		1,062.50			24,775.50	24,672.00
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 5.00% 9/18/2012		25,028.25	(88.54)			25,028.25	25,148.50
25,000	Fed Home Ln Mtg Corp 5.00% 7/15/2014		24,890.25	(305.56)			24,890.25	25,031.25
15,000	Proctor & Gamble 6.875% 9/15/09	14,846.70		1,031.26			14,846.70	15,649.35
25,000	Societe Generale 7.40% 6/1/06	24,837.75		925.00	25,000.00	162.25	-	-
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.25% 10/31/2007	24,969.73		1,062.50			24,969.73	24,838.00
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.125% 08/15/2008	24,887.70		1,031.76			24,887.70	24,728.50
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.0% 06/15/2009	25,209.96		1,000.00			25,209.96	24,569.25
20,000	U.S. Treas Nts 5.00% 8/15/2011		20,280.46	(160.33)			20,280.46	20,279.60
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.25% 08/15/2013	25,274.41		1,062.50			25,274.41	24,373.00
	Total Fixed Income	293,184.95	120,454.71	13,789.19	25,000.00	162.25	388,801.91	390,017.35
200	Alltel Corp Com	10,871.00	(1,972.20)	265.60			8,898.80	12,096.00
180	Air Prods & Chems Inc	9,293.40		241.20			9,293.40	12,650.40
150	Amgen Inc.	8,925.00					8,925.00	10,246.50
400	AT&T	9,693.00		532.00			9,693.00	14,309.00
200	Baker Hughes Inc Com	5,164.00		104.00			5,164.00	14,932.00
350	Baxter Int'l	13,192.00		203.70			13,192.00	16,236.50
820,966	Blair, William Fds Intl Small Cap C I		10,000.00	47.07			10,000.00	11,009.15
220	BP Amoco PLC - Sponsored ADR	9,039.97		506.88			9,039.97	14,762.00
548	Cisco Sys Inc	5,754.85			9,997.95	4,243.10	-	-
189	Citigroup	5,225.06		370.44			5,225.06	10,527.30
100	Colgate Palmolive Co.	5,897.00		125.00			5,897.00	6,524.00
225	Dell Computer	4,743.00			6,847.65	2,104.65	-	-
300	E M C	4,353.00					4,353.00	3,960.00
300	Ecotab Inc	5,221.50		120.00			5,221.50	13,560.00
250	Emerson Electric	7,938.44		232.52			7,938.44	11,022.50
1,968,504	Excelsior Large Cap Growth Fd		20,000.00				20,000.00	20,236.22
401,929	Excelsior Value & Restructuring Fd		20,000.00	36.21			20,000.00	21,117.35
645,661	Excelsior Small Cap Fd		12,500.00	815.91			12,500.00	11,654.18
225	Exxon Mobile	9,436.50		288.00			9,436.50	17,241.75
150	Firth Third Bancorp	6,943.75		57.00	5,631.57	(1,312.18)	-	-
150	FPL Group	4,728.75		450.00			4,728.75	16,326.00
	Flextronics				0.88	0.88	-	-
250	General Elec Co	8,717.50		250.00			8,717.50	9,302.50
400	Gentex	6,025.00		36.00	7,818.15	1,793.15	-	-
300	Hewlett Packard	2,410.59		96.00	11,485.14	9,074.55	-	-
250	Home Depot	9,303.75		168.75			9,303.75	10,040.00
300	Illinois Tool Works	3,007.50		211.50			3,007.50	13,857.00
100	IBM	3,261.56		110.00			3,261.56	9,715.00
615	Ishares EAFE Index Fd	19,349.38	15,118.80	943.08			34,468.18	45,030.30
	Ishares Tr Cohen & Steers Realty Majors Index							
213	Fund		20,436.29	206.33	1.18	1.18	20,436.29	21,363.90
1,446,132	Johnson & Johnson	8,164.50		218.25			8,164.50	9,903.00
	Julius Baer Invst Fds Intl Equity		20,000.00	163.27			20,000.00	21,908.90
150	Kimberly Clark	5,823.57		288.00			5,823.57	10,192.50
150	Kraft Foods, Inc.	4,698.00		141.00			4,698.00	5,355.00
742,574	Lazard Emerging Markets Portfolio		15,000.00	1,359.29			15,000.00	15,297.02
225	Metricons	10,047.69		92.82			10,047.69	12,039.75
200	Microsoft	5,418.00		74.00			5,418.00	5,972.00
405	Midcap Spdr	33,645.00	14,887.43	565.20			48,532.43	59,271.75
125	Morgan Stanley	6,493.75		135.00			6,493.75	10,178.75
150	Northern Tr Corp Com	6,255.47		34.50	7,418.04	1,162.57	-	-
200	Pepsico	5,557.34		224.00			5,557.34	12,510.00
883,392	Royce Opportunity Fund		12,500.00	1,378.09			12,500.00	11,581.27
300	Stryker	4,406.81		33.00			4,406.81	16,533.00
100	Suntrust Banks	7,924.50		61.00			7,924.50	8,445.00
175	Sysco Corp.	5,229.00		119.00			5,229.00	6,433.00
200	Target Corp.	6,684.00		88.00			6,684.00	11,410.00
206	Windstream Corp		1,972.20	42.02	2,771.64	799.44	-	-
	Windstream Corp (Frx Sh payout)				9.09	9.09	-	-
100	UPS	5,488.25		147.00			5,488.25	7,498.00
400	US Bancorp Del	10,848.00		528.00			10,848.00	14,476.00
150	Wal Mart Stores	7,181.00		97.89			7,181.00	6,927.00
400	Wells Fargo	4,622.50		432.00			4,622.50	14,224.00
225	Weight Watchers Intl Inc.	9,740.25		118.14			9,740.25	11,819.25
	Total Equities	318,797.63	168,367.02	12,956.66	51,981.29	17,876.43	453,059.79	619,685.74
	Total Principal Account	643,850.59	288,821.73	32,034.70	79,112.07	18,038.68	889,854.44	1,057,695.83
<b>Income Account</b>								
	Cash/Cash Equivalents	10,897.62		679.41	596.05		33,097.27	33,097.27
725	Ishares Lehman Agg Bond	75,229.00		3,401.50			75,229.00	71,630.00
725	Ishares Lehman Treasury	74,298.00		3,375.60			74,298.00	72,282.50
	Total Income Account	160,424.62	-	7,456.51	596.05	-	182,624.27	177,009.77
	Total Common Investments	804,275.21	288,821.73	39,491.21	79,708.12	18,038.68	1,072,478.71	1,234,705.60
<b>Grassmere Town Hall Restoration</b>								
	Cash/Cash Equivalents	20,827.01	(6,503.25)	692.11	55.37		14,960.50	14,960.50
485	Intel		10,073.45				10,073.45	9,821.25
	Total Grassmere Town Hall Restoration	20,827.01	3,570.20	692.11	55.37	-	25,033.95	24,781.75
	<b>Total all US Trust Accounts</b>	<b>825,102.22</b>	<b>292,391.93</b>	<b>40,183.32</b>	<b>79,763.49</b>	<b>18,038.68</b>	<b>1,097,512.66</b>	<b>1,259,487.35</b>

## BUDGET COMMITTEE



*Seated L-R: Sch. Board Rep. Scott Gross, Suzanne Tremblay, Chairman Daniel Cloutier, John Hikel, Jo Ann Duffy, Sec., Standing L-R: Calvin Pratt, Steve Fournier, Eric Geissenhainer, Philip Plourde, Jeffrey Tate, Bill Hart, Dick Fletcher, Bill Gordon, Bill Gleeson, Sel. Rep. John Caprio, Philip Kendall, Absent: Roger Richard,*

The Goffstown Budget Committee had several positive accomplishments this year. But first, a majority vote on Article 34 of the 2006 annual warrant reduced the number of elected committee members from twelve to nine. According to the RSA, this change occurs the following year. This is why you only have the opportunity to vote for a single budget committee member instead of three on 2007 ballot. At my request, the Board of Selectmen have graciously added a warrant article to this year's ballot that would, if passed by majority of voters, bring the committee back up to full strength. Budget committee members are unpaid, volunteering their time for the citizens of Goffstown.

For the past many years one elected member of the budget committee is assigned to communicate with a town department head at least once a month and report back to the full committee on items of interest happening within that department. Another reason we would like to be at full strength is that we initiated a new program this past year that assigned one committee member to each of the principals and another to the administration of our Goffstown schools. Having our elected membership reduced by three will make this initiative challenging during 2007.

There is a lot of time and effort needed to prepare a budget. RSA 32 governs our town's creation of a budget. It is the Budget Committee's recommended operating budget that is used at the Town deliberative session. But the Budget Committee would have a very difficult time presenting a budget to the voters of Goffstown without the Board of Selectmen and the School Board. Each of these elected boards delivers detailed budget documents to the Budget Committee who then uses that information as the basis for their work.

Again this year, the selectmen invited the Budget Committee to meet with them to hear the department heads deliver their proposed budgets. The School Board also invited the budget committee this year to join them in hearing the presentation of the school budget from the superintendent of schools. Having these joint meetings saved many hours that would have otherwise taken many additional evenings for the Budget Committee to prepare to begin work on those budgets.

The Budget Committee met this year as a committee of the whole to review and deliberate both the town and school budgets. For the first time in at least four years, we concluded our deliberations to go forward to public hearing the week before Christmas. Past years had us working to the day before Christmas Eve before deciding on the final budget details.

Many thanks to the board of selectmen, town administration, department heads, School Board, SAU staff, and principals for providing the necessary information to help the Budget Committee do the work the people of Goffstown have elected them to do.

The Budget Committee meets on a regular basis on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM in the Mildred Stark room at town hall. The meetings are always public and public comments are welcomed and normally heard towards the beginning of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Daniel J. Cloutier, Chairman  
Goffstown Budget Committee

## CABLE TELEVISION COMMUNITY ACCESS



*Seated L-R: Ryan Casey, Chairman Rosemary Garretson, Standing L-R: Mike Przekaza, Jim Pingree, GTV Coordinator, Dick Gagnon, Vice Chair Donald Gagnon. Absent: Marie Boyle, Patrick Tucker, Barbara Doody, Dan Richer*

Goffstown Community Television has seen some significant progress this year. Through dogged determination, the airing coming from the Selectmen's office has been improved. The studio area has undergone a major renovation in order to streamline the usage of the editing bays.

The GTV Committee has seen some changes this year as well. One of our members resigned for personal reasons and two full members switched to alternate membership. Two new full members and one new alternate member joined the Committee. However, we are still in need of members if anyone is interested in joining our committee. This past year the committee revised the Policies and Procedures Manual for the studio.

GTV is pleased to report that several new programs are available for our viewing audience on a weekly basis. They are: "Just Think About It", "Truth and Spirit Services", "Grizzlies Football" during football season as well as some programs produced by Goffstown High School.

This coming year classes in editing, videotaping, producing and studio work will be offered. Contact the studio if you are interested in attending. We are continually looking for volunteers to record and produce programs. Anyone with a desire to volunteer should contact GTV Coord., Dick Gagnon at 497-5707.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosemary Garretson, Chair

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE



*Sel. Rep John Caprio, Patrick Tucker, Sch. Board Rep. Scott Gross, Planning & Economic Dev. Coord. Steve Griffin, Planning Bd. Rep. Tim Redmond. Seated L-R: Budget Comm. Rep Sue Tremblay, Earl Carrel, Chair Fred Plett, Fred Cass.*

The Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) Committee, a subcommittee of the Planning Board, is charged with creating a six-year projection of capital expenditures. During the summer, the CIP Committee meets with town and school officials to review capital needs, including vehicles and items costing in excess of \$25,000. The CIP Committee then recommends a capital plan that prioritizes expenditures and provides economic stability to the Planning Board.

In 2006, the Planning Board approved a capital budget of \$6,275,105, and the voters a budget of \$4,987,265. The CIP Committee is recommending a capital budget for 2007 of \$6,896,778 (subject to revision as the Capital Budget makes its way through the budget process). This represents an increase of 9.9% over the 2006 recommendation. The CIP Committee could not reduce the capital budget any more in 2006 because deferring expenditures would have had a detrimental effect in the years 2007-2011. Most of the items are necessary to meet the health and safety obligations of the town, commensurate with the Town's Master Plan. Others are expenditures that the voters had approved by ballot in concept, such as Rails to Trails. The CIP Committee anticipates some costly items in the next few years, and continues to recommend additional commercial and industrial tax base to ease the tax burden. The 2008 and 2009 expenditures are projected at \$6,458,700 and \$7,280,274 respectively, and then the numbers ease back to the \$6 million range. Of course, changes can occur between now and then, but this gives an idea of what the voters may be facing in the future.

Respectfully submitted,  
Fred Plett, Chairman

## CEMETERY TRUSTEES



*Members: Jean Walker, Chairman Leon Konieczny, Linda Reynolds-Naughton*

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees and the DPW continued their cooperative efforts in maintaining the three community cemeteries. Fallen/broken monuments were repaired, new and damaged grass areas were seeded down, and trees and shrubs were pruned. The annual meeting of the NH Cemetery Trustees, sponsored by the Department of the Attorney General's Office, the NH State Cemetery Association, and the NE Cemetery Association, were represented by both the Goffstown Trustees Chairperson and the cemetery foreman.

Chair Leon Konieczny met with state officials from the DOT regarding efforts to build a buffer between the three new buildings abutting the West Lawn Cemetery. They were extremely cooperative and have cut down and sprayed all the sumac areas along the fence separating the properties, and suggested types of shrubs that Trustees could use successfully along the area to make it aesthetically appealing.

Long term planning for the near future includes a water system at Shirley Hill Cemetery, architectural planning for the expanded Westlawn Cemetery, a new crypt, and a tree buffer abutting Hillside Cemetery and the recently built new homes. The Trustees thank both the DPW and the general public for continued support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leon Konieczny, Chairman

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



*L to R: Assessor Ron Mace, Assessing Sec. Mary Lavallee, Building Inspector Ed Neveu, Building Sec. Sue Soule, Planning & Economic Development Coordinator Steve Griffin, Planning Asst. Patty Gale, Zoning Code Enforcement Officer Derek Horne, Sewer Admin. Asst. Marilyn Hozney.*

Goffstown coordinates land related planning, development and regulation activities, and reports them as a single activity under the title of community development. The Planning Office, the Code Enforcement Office and the Building/Health Inspection Office are included under this heading. The reports of the Economic Development Council, the Planning Board, and the Zoning Board of Adjustment are listed separately.

### PLANNING OFFICE

The table below shows the number of subdivision, site plan and conceptual plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year:

<b>Applications Reviewed by the Planning Board</b>							
<b>Type</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>
Subdivision	21	26	37	25	22	25	26
Site Plan	17	12	14	19	15	15	20
Conceptual	15	15	31	16	5	7	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>54</b>

Of the 26 subdivisions in 2006, 24 were approved, representing 65 new single-family home lots, 18 condominium units and 218 elderly units. Given the absorption of lots for new homes, it had been estimated that the level of new home construction in 2004 would drop to the 1999 level, which it did. Given this low level of building permits in 2004, compared to the number of residential lots

created it was projected that building permits in 2005 might return to their 2002-2003 levels. This has not happened, however, and it now appears that new single-family housing starts are not speculative, but only for homes that have actually been sold. Also, while Goffstown's new construction included a wider mix of housing types in 2006, the overall number of dwelling units has remained in the 59-65 range, 32 - 42% below the 2002 and 2003 highs.

<b>Permitted Residential Dwelling Units</b>					
	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>
1 and 2-Family Units	95	95	64	59	40
Multi-Family Units	0	0	0	0	25

Notwithstanding this moderate level of construction, Goffstown continues to face the challenges of growth, particularly of increased residential development, as well as additional pressures on our roadways, due to the increasing development of our neighboring communities to the west and north.

<b>Total and Non-Residential Assessed Value (Millions)</b>						
	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>
Total Assessed Value	637	649	1,190.4	1,218.1	1,235.6	1,251.2
Non-Resid Assess Value	78.8	81.2	111.7	113.0	112.5	112.8
Equalization Ratio	0.66%	57.5%	97.1%	85.7%	77.2%	76.5%
Equal Total Assess	965.2	1,128.7	1,226.0	1,421.4	1,600.1	1,633.9
Equal Non-Resid Assess	119.4	142.2	115.0	131.9	145.7	147.8
Non-Resid = % of Total	12.4%	12.6%	9.4%	9.3%	9.1%	9.0%

Additionally, residential development continues to become an ever-larger portion of Goffstown's total tax base. The update in 2003 showed a shift in the relative value of residential/nonresidential development. Since then, the proportion of nonresidential to residential tax base has continued to trend slightly downward.

In addition to plan reviews, the planning staff worked on a number of projects, which have been adopted by the Planning Board. These include (1) Master Plan Update 2006, (2) the Goffstown Village Plan as an amendment to the Master Plan, (3) the Conservation Commission's Open Space Conservation Plan as an amendment to the Master Plan, (4) an updating of Road Impact Fees which are assessed on new homes, and (5) an updating of the Board's Development Regulations. The Board, upon the advice on the Economic Development Council, is again proposing a Tax Increment Finance district to set aside funds for portions of a secondary access road, protecting South Mast Road's traffic carrying capacity. Staff also drafts the Planning Board's proposed zoning amendments for Town Meeting consideration.

The Planning office serves as staff to several boards and committees, including the Planning Board, Capital Improvements Program Committee, Economic Development Council and Technical Review Committee. We coordinate planning with the Board of Selectmen and the Goffstown Main Street Program.

### **ZONING CODE ENFORCEMENT**

The Zoning Code Enforcement Officer enforces the provisions of the zoning ordinance, as well as specific approval conditions attached to action taken by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), Planning Board, and Historic District Commission. The Zoning Officer serves as staff to the ZBA; assisting applicants, preparing the Board's monthly agenda, and serving as a liaison between the public and the Board. The Zoning Officer reviews building permit applications to ensure zoning compliance, assists the Building Inspector/Health Officer, and performs such other duties as may be assigned.

Investigations into possible zoning violations are largely complaint driven, although all violations observed are also investigated. Once notified of a violation, the majority of property owners take corrective action to bring their property into compliance. 2006 saw an increase in zoning enforcement through District Court with the help of the Town Prosecutor; an increase from 1 case in 2005 to 3 cases in 2006. May floods increased the number of variance applications through the ZBA and requests for assistance through the NHDES Shoreland waiver system. Finally, zoning changes approved at March 2006 Town Meeting triggered questions about allowable uses in the newly created Residential Small Business & Office District (RSBOD-1).

### **BUILDING INSPECTION**

New single-family dwelling permits continue a downward trend, 19 less than last year; however, 24 town-house condominium unit building permits were issued. New commercial permits are slightly up from last year.

The May 14<sup>th</sup> flood proved challenging to the Building and Health Department. Eighty-nine (89) dwelling structures were damaged by floodwaters. The reconstruction is ongoing, requiring inspections of all work done. Prior to re-occupying the property, an inspection from the Fire and Building Departments is required. The wells need to be disinfected and tested for bacteria.

### **HEALTH**

The above average rainfall this year raised the water table, causing some septic systems to malfunction until the water table returned to normal. The heavy water runoff this year, carried off mosquito larvae, the results of which made the mosquito population much lower than a normal year and reduced the risk of West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis in this area.

Permit / Fee Source	2004		2005		2006	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	64	22,641	59	22,028	40	\$13,425
Condo/Multi-Family Units	0	0	0	0	25	6,958
Misc. Buildings Permits	799	36,210	798	37,476	751	34,718
New Commercial Permits	8	2,247	0	0	12	6,218
Misc. Commercial Permits	37	3,118	17	1,130	32	2,896
Child Car / Assembly Insp.	9	385	8	285	6	245
Health Inspection	16	0	11	0	14	0
Junkyard Inspection	0	0	3	75	0	0
Mobile Home Inspection	0	0	4	400	0	0
Sign Permits	68	1,530	20	770	18	480
ZBA Applications	60	9,730	55	8,245	48	6,488
Planning Board Applications	-	20,589	-	19,497	-	35,910
Misc. Fees / Sales	-	1,266	-	1,155	-	802
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$97,716</b>		<b>\$91,061</b>		<b>\$108,140</b>

Permit / Fee Source	2004		2005		2006	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
School Impact Fees	45	158,636	51	166,114	47	134,137
Road Impact Fees	39	4,180	46	23,555	46	11,846
Recreational Impact Fees	2	2,000	25	20,620	42	59,900
Other Recreation Fees	0	0	0	0	2	2,000
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$164,816</b>		<b>\$210,289</b>		<b>\$207,883</b>

Respectively submitted,  
Stephen B. Griffin, AICP  
Planning and Economic  
Development Coordinator

## PLANNING BOARD



*Seated L-R: Tim Redmond, Vice Chair Lowell Von Ruden, Chairman Jo Ann Duffy, Recording Sec. Gail Lebreque. Standing L-R: Doug Brodeur, Alt., James Raymond, Alan Yeaton, Sel. Rep. Nick Campasano, Richard Georgantas, Steve Griffin, Planning & Economic Dev. Coordinator. Absent: William Zackeroff, Alt.*

Goffstown continues to face the challenges of growth. Single-family residential development remains the dominant form of growth. There is also, however, demand for more affordable housing. At the same time, increasing suburbanization of our neighboring communities to the west and north adds to commuting traffic through Goffstown, further straining our road capacity. That increased traffic volume, in turn, attracts new commercial development along major road corridors.

The Planning Board plays three roles in addressing the Town's growth. First, looking at the near timeframe and taking up most of its meeting time, the Board reviews applications for subdivision and site plan approval. The Board also updated its Development Regulations utilized in application evaluation, and its Road Impact Fee study, allowing residential growth to fund added road capacity that it requires.

Second, the Board looks at long range planning issues to accommodate both the Town's growth and outside growth pressures. The Board's major planning activities in 2006 were the adoption of (1) the Master Plan Update of 2006, (2) the Goffstown Village Plan which was developed by a Planning Board Committee, (3) an Open Space Conservation Plan which was developed by the Goffstown Conservation Commission. Through these plans, the Board's focused on how to preserve open space in the town's rural areas, balancing the denser development at its center. Zoning amendment proposals are another tool at the Board's disposal.

Third, the Board looks to budgeting and other financial techniques to implement its plans. For example, each year, the Capital Improvement Committee, a subcommittee of the Planning Board, prepares and the Board adopts a schedule of recommended capital improvements for the town. Additionally, again this year, the Board is proposing a tax increment-financing district and plans to implement physical changes within the Route 114 corridor.

The planning staff is available at the planning office to assist you with questions on land use and development. The Planning Board public hearings are typically held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, at 7:00 P.M., in the Town Hall. We welcome your attendance and participation.

Respectively submitted,  
Jo Ann Duffy  
Chairman

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT



*L-R Standing: Bill Wynne, Zoning Code Enforcement Officer Derek Horne, Gail Lebreque, Julie Grandgeorge. L-R Seated: Vice Chair Wayne Richardson, Chairman Anthony Marts, Marie Boyle, Alt. Absent: Denise Herman, Alt.*

The New Hampshire legislature provides that planning, zoning and related regulations are legislative tools that enable municipal government to more effectively meet the demands of evolving and growing communities, enhance the public health, safety and general welfare, and encourage the reasonable and appropriate use of land. One of those tools is the zoning ordinance, which

provides the framework for the development of private property consistent with the Town's view of how it should grow. To ensure the ordinance is applied equitably to all property the legislature requires that every zoning ordinance include provisions for the establishment of a zoning board of adjustment, to act as a "constitutional safety valve".

When Goffstown adopted its zoning ordinance at Town Meeting, March 14, 1961, the ordinance included provisions for a zoning board of adjustment. Since its inception, the Goffstown Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) has acted as an interpreter of the ordinance, as well as a safety valve against overly strict application of the ordinance. The ZBA hears requests for variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers of dimensional requirements, and appeals from decisions based on interpretation of the ordinance, made by administration, the Planning Board, and/or the Historic District Commission.

The ZBA is put in the position of attempting to apply the Zoning Ordinance as applicable state law allows, while balancing the rights of landowners with the potential impacts on the community and abutters. In addition to statutory law, the ZBA must apply ever-changing "case law" handed down by the NH Supreme Court. Unfortunately, the zoning ordinance, statutory law and case law do not often provide clear answers or any bright line test to determine which developments and proposals are allowed and which should be restricted. The ZBA strives to hear all sides and apply the law to the facts and circumstances of each case.

The ZBA notes with the sadness and deep respect long time member Henry Grady who passed away this year. Henry served on the ZBA from 1985 until 2006, acting as chairman for 17 years and vice chairman for 3 years. Henry's long-term commitment and patient attention ensured a balance between Goffstown's zoning regulations and the rights of private property owners; his wisdom, understanding and example will be missed.

The ZBA is a 5-member elected board with up to 5 alternate members appointed to assist the board. This year, the ZBA welcomes Bill Wynne as its newest elected member and Denise Herman as an appointed alternate member. The ZBA meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anthony Marts, Chairman

## SOUTHERN N. H. PLANNING COMMISSION

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help the dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants who are selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of your appointed representatives, the Commission's staff designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance that are mandated under New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which would pertain more exclusively to your community.

Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of your Planning Board and/or Board of Selectmen. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects that are of common interest and benefit to all member communities, keeps your officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation, and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association offers training workshops for Planning and Zoning Board members on an annual basis.

Services that were performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year are as follows:

- 1) Co-sponsored the Municipal Law Lecture Series, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
- 2) Conducted traffic counts at 38 locations in the Town of Goffstown and forwarded data to the Planning and Economic Development Coordinator;
- 3) Hosted Mixed-Use Development, Form-Based Zoning, Private Roads, and Traffic Impact Fees for SNHPC Planners' Roundtable meetings, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
- 4) Sponsored Regional Waste Water Treatment Planning and Water Supply Forums held on March 22, 2006 and Nov. 17, 2006 in Manchester and PSNH, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
- 5) Prepared and submitted Brownfield's Grant Applications on Dec. 8, 2006;
- 6) Facilitated meetings of the I-93 Committee, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
- 7) Participated in the proposed development review process submitted to the Town;
- 8) Hosted New Planning Board Member Training on October 23, 2006, which was attended by Goffstown officials;
- 9) Sponsored Affordable Housing and Sustainable Energy Forums on February 3, 2006 and April 17, 2006, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
- 10) Sponsored Regional Comprehensive Plan discussions and Steering Committee meetings, which were attended by Goffstown officials;

- 11) Hosted CTAP Informational Workshop on October 26, 2006 in Bedford, which was attended by Goffstown officials;
- 12) Assisted Goffstown in preparing and applying for CDBG Grant – Feasibility Study and Application; and
- 13) Provided assistance with CMAQ application submitted by Goffstown to the NH DOT.

Goffstown’s Representatives to the Commission:

Henry C. Boyle	Jo Ann Duffy
Barbara J. Griffin	Anthony Marts – Alt.
Executive Committee Member - Barbara J. Griffin	

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Goffstown Economic Development Council continues its work to foster the commercial and industrial development of the community, and to retain and strengthen its tax base. This year the council was pleased to see completion and adoption of a number of plans by the Planning Board, providing a framework in which to work.

We continue to work on implementation of the Master Plan, which includes the Route 114/114A Corridor Management Plan, recommending actions along the Mast Road corridor. The corridor’s zoning was brought to the 2005 Town Meeting and changed to a new commercial-industrial flex zone district. In 2005, the Council worked as a committee of the Planning Board to develop a tax increment financing proposal to fund capital infrastructure needs of the corridor, specifically, portions of a new road interconnecting commercial properties in order to minimize the number of Mast Road driveway connections. This initiative is again being proposed as the only funding mechanism focusing the cost of the improvement on that which causes the improvement to be needed.

In terms of other areas of the community, the Council has begun to be involved with recreational planning to promote economic activity. This includes support for the rail trail, hiking trails and access to the Piscataquog River.

The Council has also followed up its earlier business survey, staying in contact with existing businesses, their needs and expansion potential. In this vein, we have participated in the Greater Manchester Economic Development Roundtable, recognizing our place within the larger economic marketplace. This recognition has led to a review of Goffstown’s relationship with the Manchester Transit Authority and the realization that tourism should play a larger role in Goffstown’s economy as we move into 2007.

Respectfully submitted,  
Al Desruisseaux, Vice Chairman

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION



*Standing L-R, Vice-Chair David Nieman, Kim Ricard, Jean Walker. Alt. Amy Pollock, Susan Tucker, Selectman Rep. John Caprio, Seated L-R: Chairman Evelyn Miller, Jo Ann Duffy, Sec. Absent: Karen McRae, Kimberly Peace, Collis Adams, Alt..*

Protecting and preserving Goffstown's natural resources is the primary goal of the Conservation Commission. The Conservation Commission continues to work in concert with the Planning Board, conducting site walks and providing comments and recommendations as to the suitability of proposed development to the Planning Board. We are particularly concerned with proposed plans that are adjacent to designated prime wetlands and/or that have steep slopes on the property. We recently have made recommendations to the Planning Board concerning how to determine the appropriate number of house lots for Open Space developments.

The Open Space Committee made a formal presentation of our open space plan to the Planning Board and the Selectmen, This detailed plan gives guidelines for evaluating parcels of land, establishing methods to protect or acquire land, and stewardship of that land. This plan was officially adopted into the town's master plan. The Open Space Committee is working with a number of interested landowners who desire to conserve their open space land through conservation easements. Protected open space helps to preserve the "rural" character of our town, protects important water sources and reduces the demands made to our town's infrastructure (schools, police, fire, roads). The Conservation Commission is presently developing management guidelines for conservation land.

Finally, we had two more Eagle Scout projects this year. David Dubiel did major restoration work on the Glen Lake waterfront park. Scout Bertenaugh created a small scenic park in Pinardville by the historic old ice pond. Thanks Scouts. Anyone interested in supporting the Goffstown Conservation Commission please contact the town hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Evelyn Miller, Chairman

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

On behalf of all the employees of the Fire Department I am pleased to submit the 2006 Annual Town Report. Employees continue to work hard to provide the highest possible quality of service to the community. All of us at the Fire Department would like to thank all the Boards, Committees, and Town Departments for their support throughout the year. Everyone in town working together as a team greatly helps us provide the care we offer to all the citizens of the community.

### **FULL-TIME FIRE AND EMS DIVISION:**

The administration division continued to address many of the problems and issues that face the department, the biggest of these being staffing. During 2006 due to budget cuts, the station in East Goffstown, located at the intersection of Black Brook and Tirrell Hill roads was no longer staffed during the week. The employees continue to service emergency calls in this area of town from the other two stations.

The Department staffs the Village station, located on Church Street and the Pinardville station located at 656 Mast Road with full-time employees from 6 am to 6 pm. This year gave a different challenge to this division because the full-time employees would be tasked with protecting the community 7 days per week. In past years, this group protected the town Monday through Friday and Call-force members would protect the town out of these stations on the weekends and holidays. The full-time force met challenge even though it often meant that only one of the two stations was open. My thanks go out to this group for all the adjustments they have made in order to continue service to the community despite the increased number of calls with less manpower on duty.

### **CALL-FORCE:**

During 2006, the Call-force continues to provide fire and EMS service to the community. The Call Force provides Fire and EMS responses from 6pm to 6am, 365 nights a year and helps supplement the Full-time staff during the day. Several of the Call-force employees performed other duties, such as working the covering officer on weekends, or working shifts during the day at the stations. My thanks go out to all the members of the call-force that consistently come in to serve the community during emergency and non-emergency calls.

### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) DIVISION:**

The Town provides EMS during the day by the Full-time staff and at night by the night shift. The Call-force supplements both of these groups whenever they are available. This was the first year the town provided full time EMS coverage at night. This program has two people staffed at the Pinardville station

from 6 pm to 6 am. This program has helped us deliver immediate EMS coverage for the community 24 hours per day 365 days a year.

### **TRAINING DIVISION:**

The Training Division continues to train members of the department. Training is an on-going activity day and night, training our members to provide the best possible service we can with the members we have. Training Director, Captain Steve Tower organizes and provides training for all the members of this department.

Training is done here in town in many ways, one of which is by using our own members to instruct and the other is to use outside instructors. The Training officers continue to work with Fire Standards and Training of New Hampshire to put on classes here in Goffstown to allow more of our members to attain certifications in the convenience of their own town.

### **FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION:**

The Fire Prevention Division completed the following activities:

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>2006</b>
Construction Related Inspections	903
Life Safety Inspections	117
Fire Prevention-Misc.	728
Permits	973
Total	2,721

Like the Training Division the Fire Prevention Division has just one employee, Lieutenant Bill Connor, and as you can see he is very busy. The Fire Prevention office had additional challenges this year to go along with the construction related activities. The floods that took place in May have created constant activity for this office. Determining when it was safe for these victims to re-enter their homes after being evacuated and all the way through the rebuilding process even after most have forgotten the floods, Fire Prevention has been there. High fuel costs have brought in many alternative fuels and heating systems creating a higher volume in heating appliance inspections. When Fire Prevention is not doing inspections or plan reviews, it is working with the schools and the elderly community on fire safety and evacuation plans. A big thank you goes out to Fire Prevention for doing so much to keep us all safe.

### **APPARATUS MAINTENANCE DIVISION:**

The Department addressed numerous apparatus maintenance issues. Much of this work was done at the Department of Public Works by the town mechanic, Mark Urella. Mark is a huge asset to this department handling many of our apparatus issue.

The year 2006 did not bring the purchase of any new vehicles, but we have started to reconfigure two of the vehicles in the fleet. This work will be completed in the coming year and this will help us to eliminate one fire engine from the fleet down sizing the number of apparatus owned by the town.

#### RESPONSE AND ACTIVITY STATISTICS:

The Fire Department Responded to the following Calls for service in 2006.

<b>Incident</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Change</b>
Fire	86	121	35
Overpressure, rupture, explosion-no fire	3	3	0
Rescue & EMS incidents	1043	1119	76
Hazardous conditions - no fire	75	111	36
Service call	239	608	369
Good intent	125	108	-17
False Call	158	141	-17
Severe weather & natural disaster	8	19	11
Special incident type	2	1	-1
Total incident count	1739	2231	492

#### REPORT SUMMARY:

The Fire Department accomplished a great deal in 2006. Employees responded to far more calls this year than in the past. The employees spent many hours serving the community all year especially during the floods when the town needed them the most. Handling emergency calls is just a small part of what they do; these employees maintain the vehicles, radios, air-packs, our buildings, tools, and gear not to mention assisting with fire safety inspection and addressing. This group is very hard working and show their dedication and commitment to the community every day. I would like to take this time to thank them all for the high level of service and commitment in keeping the residents of Goffstown safe.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Mark Hurley  
 Deputy Fire Chief

## REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

Fire activity was very high during the first several weeks of the 2006 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in many sections of the state. The largest forest fire during this period occurred in late April and burned 98 acres. The extremely dry conditions in spring resulted in over twice the amount of acreage burned than in all of 2005. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wildland urban interface damaged 6 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

### 2006 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2006)

#### CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total Fires		Total Acres
		2006	2005	
Arson	15	506	546	473
Campfire	24	546	482	174
Children	13	482	374	147
Smoking	50	374		100
Debris	284			
Railroad	3			
Equipment	4			
Lightning	1			
Misc.*	106			

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

#### COUNTY STATISTICS

County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	39	76
Carroll	27	44
Cheshire	42	38
Coos	104	30
Grafton	53	24
Hillsborough	75	114
Merrimack	40	91
Rockingham	74	49
Strafford	10	26
Sullivan	8	8

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**



Fire Dept pumping floodwaters

## HISTORIC DISTRICT/ HERITAGE COMMISSION

The year 2006 has been another busy year for the Goffstown Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission. The focus, once again has been on the Grasmere Town Hall. The Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Project has been ongoing since the Town voted to maintain ownership of this 1889 Queen Anne Style Town Hall in 1997. The architectural integrity of this building has remained intact for over 100 years. The Commission, working with the Town of Goffstown has worked non-stop finding innovative ways to raise money for this project and secure grant money to do so.

The Town of Goffstown was awarded a CLG grant from the NH Division of Historic Resources in the amount of \$11,608 for Goffstown's Main Street Historic District Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. The findings of the architectural study of the Main St. District indicated that this district was a strong candidate for nomination. After several information sessions and receipt of letters of support from the property owners within the district, the Board of Selectmen endorsed the nomination of the Main Street district to the National Park Service.

The Commission continued to watch over its three Historic Districts, Carr Court, Parker Station and Grasmere. There were no hearings held this past year regarding construction or demolition in any of the districts.

The Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission thanks the many generous donors for their contributions to the Grasmere restoration fund and continues into 2007 with fundraising for the completion of The Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Project.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Philip D'Avanza, Chairman  
The Goffstown Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission

## PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Selectman Rep. Barbara Griffin, Director Dave French, and Susan Tucker.  
Back Row L-R: Budget Rep. Jeffrey Tate, D. Michael McKinnon, Kurt Lauer, and Chairman Robert Draper  
Absent: Barbara Larkin, George Havener, Phil Tatro, J. Claude LaRoche.*

In 2006 the Parks & Recreation Department continued to try and serve the Recreation needs of the community. Our youth basketball leagues continue to be a success with games and practices sessions 7 days per week. Our Boy's travel teams continued to successfully compete in the Merrimack Valley League while participation in our Girls Softball program has grown. Our Girls Softball major league division annual all-star game for girls age 13-15 continues to be a success.

Our Senior Citizen trips to Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun continue to remain popular. Pool attendance increased by 3% over the previous year. We completed renovation work at Barnard Pool and the tennis courts at Roy Park were re-sealed and painted.

I would like to thank the Parks & Recreation Commission for their continued dedication to the community and support for the department and staff. I would like to acknowledge both Mike Guerette and Anastasia Hurley for their fine work over the past year as well as a thank you to our summer staffs as well and over 195 volunteer coaches in our programs. I want to extend my appreciation to Bob Corson, Matt Corson, Nate Corson, Kory Kiro and Dave Turner for coaching our travel basketball teams this season.

I extend my thanks to the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Sue Desruisseaux and the Town Hall Staff for their cooperation and guidance. I also extend my appreciation to the C.I.P. committee and budget Committee for their efforts in looking towards the future in Goffstown. I would also like to acknowledge the Goffstown School Board for their support in the use of school

facilities for the community and Dr. Lockwood for his support as well as Athletic Director Howard Sobolov and the staffs at the schools for their cooperation this year.

My appreciation also goes to several organizations for their support over the past year including; Men's 30 & over Basketball, Uncanoonuc Mountaineers, Tri-Town Soccer, Goffstown Jr. Baseball, Goffstown Babe Ruth Baseball, Tae Kwon Do Karate Club, Boy Scouts Troop #99, Goffstown Youth Football, and the Goffstown Grizzlies Grid-Iron Club for all of their efforts working with us and the community.

As always I want to thank the people of Goffstown who continue to support this department and participate in our programs. Finally, to my family for their continued support and understanding. We continue to look forward to serving the people of Goffstown.

Respectfully submitted,  
David L. French, Director

## FACILITIES

### **RECREATION CENTER:**

French Community Room: Karate, Gymnastics, Ballet, Jazz Dancing, Tap Dancing, Girls & Boys Basketball, Summer Programs, Special Events, Youth Sports Registration, G.Y.F.A., Library Ski & Skate Sale, Open Gym.

Commissioners Room: Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Snowmobile Club, Goffstown Jr. Baseball, Goffstown Babe Ruth Baseball, G.Y.F.A., Early Years Playgroup, Quilting Class, Yoga

Skating Rink/Picnic Area      Church St. Park

Skateboard Park:      Located on Church St.; open dawn to dusk to skateboarders

### **Barnard Park**

John Brown Track & Field  
Tennis Courts (4)  
Stark Memorial Pool  
Playground Area  
Basketball Courts  
Outdoor Volleyball Area

### **Roy Park**

Tennis Courts (3)  
Softball/Baseball Field  
Basketball Court  
Playground Area  
Roy Memorial Pool

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The police department is a full-service 24-hour per day, seven day per week department that provides the initial primary response in most emergency situations. The department handled 19,391 calls for service during 2006. A listing of the more significant categories of calls and arrests can be found at the end of this report.

Incidents that are extremely labor intensive to investigate and prosecute showed significant increases during the year. Burglary cases reported increased again in 2006 by 26, from 142 in 2005 to 168 in 2006. The number of narcotics complaints increased in number and severity from 60 in 2005 to 66 in 2006. Whenever possible the department applies for forfeiture of vehicles or property used in the distribution of illegal substances.

Calls involving the illegal possession of alcohol by minors, and other alcohol offenses increased by 12 reported incidents from 74 in 2005 to 86 in 2006 resulting in the arrest and prosecution of 119 individuals. The arrests for Driving While Intoxicated once again showed a dramatic increase from 152 in 2005 to 223 in 2006. The department is concerned with such repeated increase in this type of offense, which often leads to traffic crashes involving injury. Additional patrols and education are planned for 2007. Traffic crashes increased 640 in 2005 to 653 in 2006. The number of crashes with personal injury was reduced from 73 in 2005 to 59 in 2006.

**Programs:** The department continues its community policing initiatives, using a problem-solving model in a cooperative effort with individuals, schools, town departments, and community groups in an effort to deter and prevent incidents before they occur.

In its eighth year, the Citizen's Volunteer Program has been beneficial in assisting the department in its day-to-day operations. These trained volunteers assist the department by answering the business phones, filing, property management and witness coordination in the District Court. In 2006 these dedicated individuals contributed 696 hours of volunteer efforts to the community.

The department coordinated another successful Halloween Safety Day and Trick-or-Treat event in cooperation with area merchants and service organizations. Also, Officer David Rivard, a certified Child Safety Seat Inspector, arranged a safety seat check-point at Hannaford's Supermarket.

The department received its fifth award of accreditation at the summer conference of the



Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. Accreditation allows the department to take a critical look at its procedures, reports, and preparedness in an effort to limit liability risk and exposure while demonstrating law enforcement excellence. An on-site by independent assessors from across the country occurs every three years to assure the department remains in compliance with up to date state of the art standards.

### COMMUNICATIONS:



The Communications Center serves as a Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Dispatch for the Town. In addition, we provide after hours communications for the Goffstown Water Department and the Department of Public Works.

Also, on a contractual basis, we provide Emergency Services Dispatching for the Towns of New Boston and Weare. Goffstown realizes approximately \$48,293 in annual revenue from these contracts. Eight communications specialists and one supervisor provide coverage 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, to staff the Center. Over 25,257 calls for service were communicated from this division this year, along with 90,000 telephone calls and 595,000 radio transmissions. In addition to dispatch duties, the dispatchers transcribed 4,310 pages of police reports allowing the officers to stay on patrol for longer periods of time.

This past year, after following the Capital Improvements program (CIP), a project identified six years ago was completed in the dispatch center. All radio console equipment, along with room design, was upgraded in order to be more efficient and ergonomically correct for the multi-tasking performed by emergency service dispatchers.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** The Police Department is responsible for the Emergency Management function for the Town of Goffstown. Our mission is to coordinate and prepare the Town's emergency readiness and response capabilities in the event of a natural or man made disaster. The Town's Emergency Response Plan was put to the test with the storm now known as the "Mother's Day flood". The community's response was immediate and sustained by all Town departments, volunteer organizations and the State. We received assistance from the National Guard as well as mutual aid from fire departments, public works departments, other law enforcement agencies, building inspectors, local merchants, and FEMA.



Although there was significant loss of personal property and town infrastructure, no lives were lost, or serious injuries reported. FEMA has reimbursed the town for some of the costs incurred in this response. The Emergency Response Plan needs to be updated in the coming year, with the experiences and critiques of this major event certainly being incorporated into future plans.

**COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM:** Six more citizens completed initial Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training in cooperation with the NH Office of Emergency Management and the Goffstown Fire Department. There are now 28 specially trained civilians available to assist first responders in unusual circumstances.



The CERT Team was activated four times during the year. The most notable being the floods in May. Over 600 hours of volunteer time was logged by the CERT Team members during this multiple day event. These specially trained individuals went door to door in advance notifications, staffed traffic posts, distributed water and supplies, and staffed the information booths established in the most effected neighborhoods. The community owes these dedicated volunteers a debt of gratitude for all of their efforts.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men and women of the Goffstown Police Department for their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice in service to the law enforcement and safety needs of the community. It is their dedication and professionalism, along with your cooperation and support that makes Goffstown a great place to live and work.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. French  
Chief of Police

Visit the Police Department's web page at [www.goffstown.com](http://www.goffstown.com) for program postings and services.



# GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

## STATISTICS

JANUARY 1, 2006 - DECEMBER 31, 2006

### CRIMES AGAINST PERSON

ABUSE / NEGLECT	16
ALCOHOL	158
ASSAULTS	188
CRIMINAL THREATS	59
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	157
HOMICIDE	1
JUVENILE OFFENSES	168
DRUG OFFENSES	60
ROBBERY	2

### CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY / OTHER

ALARMS	738
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	429
ARSON	1
BURGLARY	45
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	87
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	308
FRAUD	87
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	359
HAZARDS	351
LARCENY	351
PROPERTY - LOST / FOUND	283
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS	199
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES	216
TOTAL ADULT ARRESTS	695
TOTAL JUVENILE ARRESTS	133

### MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY / OFFENSES

DWI	223
SPEED	2,187
DRIVE AFTER SUSPENSION / REVOCATION	72
SUMMONS / WARNINGS ISSUED	4,570

### MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

<u>ACCIDENTS WITH INJURY</u>	59
<u>ACCIDENTS - FATALITIES</u>	0

### TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY

8,795

## TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE 2005

19,391

## PUBLIC LIBRARY



*Standing L-R: Chairman Steve Brzozowski, Director Dianne Hathaway, Susan Plante, Sel. Rep. John Caprio. Seated L-R: Mike Pelletier, Henry Boyle, Lisa Iodine. Absent: Vice Chair Susan Osburn, Richard Chamberlain, Budget Comm. Rep. Calvin Pratt.*

2006 was the busiest year the library has had to date! With an increase in circulation, more than double the number of kids in our annual summer reading program, and service changes based on community needs, the staff didn't have a moment to catch their breath.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING:** The Library Board of Trustees and the library staff began working on a strategic plan this year that included hosting three focus groups. One group included active library users, one was made up of non-library users and one was a session for library staff members. Some of the areas of need that we heard about were parking, space for library materials, staff and patron workspaces, comfortable seating, suggestions for programming and collections and much more. We slowly started making changes based on those suggestions and will continue the process in 2007 and hopefully conclude with a written plan that will take the library through the next three to five years.

**LIBRARY IN SPACE:** The Goffstown Public Library embraced its new position in the technological world. We have a very hip, very chic MySpace account that you can take a look at by linking to [www.myspace.com/goffstownpl](http://www.myspace.com/goffstownpl). We also branched beyond the realm of MySpace and added ourselves to Windows Live Spaces at <http://goffstownpublib.spaces.live.com>. Windows Live Spaces and MySpace are similar in that they provide a way for us to communicate with the Internet savvy via the World Wide Web, but they are entirely different experiences. Windows Live Spaces offers more opportunities for customization; however, MySpace offers a fantastic calendar option. This is a great way to provide our calendar information to a whole new audience who may not often

visit us. On the Live Spaces site Jessica Stevens has the 2007 Flume Award Nominees listed and some of our new music CDs. It is definitely in our best interest to utilize both of these spaces because of their different features and your comments about how we can best utilize our spaces are welcome! Email Jessica at [jessicas@goffstown.lib.nh.us](mailto:jessicas@goffstown.lib.nh.us) with your suggestions.

**BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS:** Our historic library building is in constant need of maintenance and improvement so that it remains well kept for the next 97 years! In 2006 the painting project that began in 2004 was completed and the stonewall bordering the lawn and parking lot was rebuilt for safety. One of our air conditioning units needed sudden replacement and that was accomplished during the warmest summer months, of course. We've completed all the necessary evaluations and paperwork with PSNH to replace all the lighting inside the library building for optimum energy conservation and efficiency. This project will be completed in early 2007.

**GTV PRESENCE:** Thanks to our dynamic trustee Mike Pelletier, you may see us on GTV 16 fairly regularly. One of the goals in 2006 was to use GTV more to advertise the library and market our services better. Mike has worked with some of our staff to produce programs about our 9/11 Project, highlight our home service and give a general tour of our library building. We're looking forward to more programs in 2007 and the possible purchase of our own video equipment.

**DOWNLOADABLE AUDIO:** Thanks to the NH Downloadable Audio Book Service we've ventured into providing mp3 downloadable books to the Goffstown community. Our collection of books in the cassette and CD formats has always circulated heavily so another audio format seemed appropriate. In September 2006 the service became available and our patrons tried it out right away. While our circulation has not been as high as anticipated (113 titles in four months) we're looking forward to an expansion of the service by the NH State Library and greater usage by the Goffstown community.

Our Numbers are Growing! After a statistically lukewarm 2005, we more than made up for it in 2006. The number of visitors to the library increased by about 9% this year and the circulation of library materials increased by 11% over our 2005 numbers. We offered 23% more programs to the community and 54% more people attended those programs in 2006. This included an overwhelming number of children who attended our annual summer reading program this year, more than double the attendance in 2005. Our interlibrary loan service grew by about 5%; our lending of materials to other libraries grew about 14% while our borrowing of materials from other libraries stayed about the same. Our greatest area of growth continues to be in our electronic services with our network usage increasing by about 39% this year, our web page count increased by 25% and usage of our online databases increased by 37%.

We have a great library staff who worked long and hard for the Goffstown community this year: Sharon Archambault, Debra Durant, Jessica D'Avanza,

Grace del Carpio, Erika Hamel, Rachel Knapp, Nick Levesque, Diane Lewis, Marsha McKay, Molly Poole, Barbara Schuler, Jessica Stevens, Sandy Whipple and Chris Willmott. A big "Thank you" to our volunteers, Library Board of Trustees, and Friends of the Library who support and advocate for us each and every day.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dianne G. Hathaway  
Library Director

## GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

### TRUSTEES REPORT

January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006

<u>Revenues</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
Fines	\$ 3,927.85	Books/Subscribe	\$ 3,860.69
Interest	1,647.72	Other Expenses:	
Fundraising	900.00	Programs	2,443.69
Other Revenue:		On-line Book Club	500.00
Grants	1,777.95	Miscellaneous	288.00
Gifts/Donations	7,023.24	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 7,092.38</b>
Miscellaneous*	1,850.48		
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$17,127.24</b>		
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$10,034.86</b>		
* Fees collected for library cards, lost books			

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Well, 2006 will definitely go down in the record books as the year of the floods. I want to first and foremost thank my dedicated staff. The DPW Staff put in many hours of overtime to try to get the road system back together after



the Mother's Day flood and the landfill back together after the October 2005 flooding. Over the course of the winter we worked on the landfill cap to make the necessary repairs to the landfill downchutes and outfall pipe. This project took several months to complete but the work was done mostly by our in-house staff using rented or town-owned equipment. If not done in-house, this was a

\$317,000 repair that was not budgeted that we would have had to find the money to complete.

In the first 3 weeks following the Mother's Day Flood, the staff logged over 2,400 hours of overtime to try to get roads reopened and traffic flowing through town again. I also want to thank the public for their patience and the other departments (particularly the Police Department) for their assistance throughout the flooding. It wasn't until the water receded that we began to get our hands around the magnitude of the disaster. We had over 36 different roads with major damage. We lost two bridges, one permanently on Pollard Road and one temporarily on Henry Bridge Road. Our main focus was public safety. I got many questions about why we were doing the work ourselves and not just bringing in contractors



to put it all back together and the answer is fairly simple. It came down to money. The Town does not have any contingency fund and we knew this disaster was going to be expensive. FEMA typically covers 75% of the costs incurred by a community in a disaster. Sometimes the State provides relief towards the remaining 25% though this is not guaranteed. Our early estimate of the damage total was between \$1.5-2 million. A 25% share of that was going to be a rather substantial blow to the town budget. Our staff time and equipment costs are all eligible towards that match so we decided to do as much of the work in-house as we could to try to cover our share without impacting the bottom line of the town budget. The good news is that we have already secured the FEMA funding allowing us to complete many of the repairs. The remaining repairs will be completed next year, mostly by private contractors. The bottom line is that the town was able to absorb the remaining amount through the use of our staff and equipment. The bad news is that we did not get as much maintenance and road plan construction done as we normally would have.

We did complete a reclamation project on Black Brook Road. We completed overlays on Eagles Nest, Snow Road, Stephen Drive, Helen Circle and Gold Finch. We completed an overlay of the North Mast Rd sidewalk. We began work on the Henry Bridge Rd and Center Street Reclamation Project. We also completed reclamation on a small portion of Janice Drive. The bridge replacements on Henry Bridge Road and Mountain Road as well as the reclamation of the lower half of Mountain Road had to be delayed until next summer. There is still a tremendous amount of work to complete to catch up from the flooding that we experienced. It is our hope that the community will continue to be patient and supportive while we strive to catch up.

As always, we would like to thank the Solid Waste Commission, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Cemetery Trustees, Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for all of their support over the past year.

Submitted By,  
Carl L. Quiram, P.E.  
Director

## SOLID WASTE COMMISSION



*Standing L-R: Selectman Rep Bruce Hunter, Chairman Fred Plett, Richard Schaffner.  
Seated L-R: Env. Proj. Mgr. Tom Fatcheric, Andre Roy, Bob Champagne, Paul LePerle.  
Absent: Donald Tuttle, Russell Day*

During 2006 the Solid Waste Commission concentrated on the recycle rate for “big blue”, which has been fairly steady at 27% of the waste stream since the inception of the single stream recycling effort in 2004. This rate is an improvement over the 17% rate prior to the single-stream recycling program. This 10% improvement results in a \$30,000 annual savings to the town, on top of the \$100,000 savings resulting from the automation of recycle pickup. However, 27% is poor compared to towns who have instituted some sort of pay as you throw system, where recycle rates are well over 70%. If we could achieve such rates, there would be an additional savings to the town of over \$120,000.

The SWC has brought a pay as you throw system to the town twice before, without success. So, we are promoting the program through various means.

We created a “Toss Smart” recycle flyer to distribute with “Vote Smart” packages, and at Town Hall and other prominent locations to promote the program. We developed newspaper inserts that were distributed with the Union Leader. We created a DVD to hand out to new residents and to those people we find who are not participating with enthusiasm before we resort to other measures to ensure cooperation. We have worked with the schools to improve their participation rates.

We have written a series of letters to the local newspaper on “catching people doing it right”. This has had the impact of raising the recycle rate from 27% to a recent 33%. We discussed reducing the standard trash tote size (the green totes) from 65 to 35 gallons. The newest DPW truck, which also serves the trash routes, can easily handle totes from 35 gallon to 95- gallon sizes. However, the older trucks need manual adjustments to pick up the 35-gallon totes. So we will wait until the fleet consists of at least two newer truck designs and pursue other ideas to promote the recycling program over the course of the next year.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Fred Plett, Chair  
Solid Waste Commission

## SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT

This office has the following responsibilities: General Assistance administration, Administrative Liaison to Conservation Commission, Historic District Commission and Community Access TV Committee, Annual Report and special projects.

**GENERAL ASSISTANCE:** The Town of Goffstown, along with the other municipalities in New Hampshire, has the responsibility of relieving and maintaining any persons in town who are poor and unable to support themselves. Assistance with the necessities is provided through a voucher system and eligibility is determined according to guidelines established by the Board of Selectmen. This community is truly fortunate in having a number of organizations that help in this effort, such as the Goffstown Salvation Army, Goffstown Network, Vestree Shop, Goffstown Outreach Program, Clergy Association, Lions Club and St. Matthew's Outreach program. This year our office received an increase in applications over prior years.

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Total Applicants	96	88	98
Total Recipients	28	34	32
Total Assistance	\$ 27,646	\$ 27,819	\$ 30,551
Assistance used for housing	\$ 20,640	\$ 22,035	\$ 23,864
% of total for housing costs	74.7%	79.2%	78.1%

**SPECIAL PROJECTS:** We completed the feasibility study for nominating the Goffstown Village commercial district as a Historic District on the National Registry. This nomination would offer potential income tax credits to selected commercial properties that undergo major rehabilitation to buildings. This office collaborated with the Goffstown Main Street program in implementing this grant-funded study. This project was funded through a 2005 CLG grant from the NH Division of Historic Resources. This nomination received strong support by the property owners and endorsed the Board of Selectmen. The floods caused water damage in both the town hall and the police station, which were repaired. Decorative and safety fencing was installed in key areas as part of the final stage of the Town Hall landscape project and plans to repair the columns at the front and rear entrances of the Town Hall are underway.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Bingham,  
Assistant Town Administrator

## GOFFSTOWN SEWER COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Chairman James Bouchard, Stephen Crean, Paul LaPerle, Standing L-R: Admin. Assist. Marilyn Hozeny, Selectman Bruce Hunter, Mike Yergeau and Mike Walton.*

The Wastewater Facility Plan Update, contracted to Hoyle, Tanner & Assoc., Inc., is still a work in progress. Within the scope of this update was a financial analysis of the fee structure and capital reserve funding. A public hearing was held in June to discuss this analysis. Two major issues were identified: (1) the capital reserves are below the recommended reserve to properly provide for a “rainy day” should a major emergency repair arise and (2) the present fee structure is inadequate to offset the escalating costs for the operation and maintenance of the system. Two rate increases were implemented; one beginning with the September bill and the second with the March 2007 bill. The Commission tries to stabilize rates but, with the increase of costs, (electricity, oil base products, treatment costs etc), the rate may have to be periodically adjusted.

The Lynchville Park/Danis Park Wastewater Project was put on “hold”. Under the guidance of the Selectmen, a committee was formed to investigate the project’s eligibility for Federal and State grants. Upon approval this will be the largest capital improvement project that the Commission has undertaken.

Throughout the year the Commission reviewed several projects. Fifteen properties were added onto the system making a total of 2,011 properties that are serviced by municipal wastewater. The Commission was created in 1956 and is comprised of a three member elected board. Public meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall. Individuals requesting to be on the agenda should contact the Sewer Commission's office at (603) 497-8992 Extension 116 to schedule an appointment.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stephen R. Crean, Chairman

## SEWER COMMISSION BUDGET

ADMINISTRATION	2006 BUDGET	2006 ACTUAL	2007 BUDGET
SALARIES/BENEFITS	70,398.00	71,218.51	74,539.00
EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT	200.00	40.00	100.00
AUDIT	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
LEGAL EXPENSE	10,000.00	1,496.64	5,000.00
CONTRACTED SVCS (ADMIN)	6,608.00	6,571.47	7,044.00
INSURANCE	7,491.00	1,997.63	7,491.00
POSTAGE	4,904.00	3,430.52	4,486.00
SUPPLIES	1,340.00	988.26	1,340.00
COMPUTER	3,415.00	2,930.76	2,951.00
TELECOMMUNICATION	600.00	600.00	600.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	2,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
INTEREST	114,725.00	114,725.01	93,267.00
PRINCIPLE	365,000.00	365,000.00	360,000.00
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$591,181.00</b>	<b>573,498.80</b>	<b>562,318.00</b>
<b>SEWER OPERATIONS</b>			
CONTRACT SVCS (DPW)	54,021.00	72,944.75	56,900.00
SEWER PROJECT	500.00	3,600.00	500.00
TRUCK EQUIPMENT/REPAIR	4,000.00	2,483.86	4,000.00
PERSONNEL EQUIP	3,000.00	395.15	3,000.00
MNTNCE/SUPPLY	422,506.00	15,752.12	228,000.00
MNTNCE/LABOR (VAC)	3,000.00	2,460.57	3,000.00
SEWER OPERATION (O&M CHRG)	771,574.00	617,032.25	731,372.00
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,258,601.00</b>	<b>714,668.70</b>	<b>1,026,772.00</b>
<b>SEWERAGE/PUMP STATION</b>			
CONTRACTED SERVICES	7,000.00	5,937.51	7,000.00
SUPPLIES	11,200.00	1,435.97	11,200.00
ELECTRICITY	19,000.00	17,807.50	19,000.00
PROPANE GAS	2,440.00	1,437.92	3,224.00
WATER	500.00	538.77	700.00
TELEPHONE ALARM SYS	3,500.00	2,664.54	3,000.00
SOLID WASTE REMOVAL	1.00	0.00	1.00
CHEMICALS	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
DIESEL FUEL	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
PUMP REPAIRS	25,000.00	20,672.96	25,000.00
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$73,641.00</b>	<b>50,495.17</b>	<b>74,125.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,923,423.00</b>	<b>1,338,662.67</b>	<b>1,663,215.00</b>

## GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT



*Standing L-R: Supt. Lee Minnick, Henry Boyle, Chairman, Allen D. Gamans. Seated L-R: Rick Coughlin, Ray Tabor, Linda Reynolds-Naughton. Absent: Richard Fletcher*

We have completed our first full year in the new office and garage facility on North Mast Street. The landscaping is almost complete and the sign has been set near the street. The project was completed within our budget due to much participation by the staff and commissioners.

The new generator at the wells is now operational. Employee Michael Demers has participated in water works operator classes. A major project this year was replacing the water main on Mountain Road from the lower end up beyond Hunter Court. A small section of old asbestos pipe on Church Street was taken out of service. Water samples are taken every month and tested to maintain high quality and to meet state and federal standards. Our grant request for improved security at our water sources and office was approved. Plans for forty-three homes on Worthley Hill Road were preliminarily reviewed, subject to Planning Board clearance. The board voted to replace and pay for a new fire pump at the Glenview Booster Station.

Some water rates were changed due to increases in costs in accordance with the Water Works Association recommendations. Our safety committee meets on a regular basis and gives a report to the commissioners every month. Breaks in old pipe continue and the leakage can drop pressure and cause some discoloration but this is always repaired promptly. Several pipe replacement programs are being studied and 2007 will be a busy year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Allen D. Gamans  
Chairman

**2007 WARRANT**  
**FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING**  
**MARCH 19, 2007**

To the inhabitants of the Goffstown Village Precinct qualified to vote on Precinct affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Goffstown Village Precinct Office in said Goffstown, in said Precinct, on Monday, March 19, 2007 at 7:00 in the evening to act upon the following articles:

**ARTICLE I**

To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year, including a Moderator and Clerk.

**ARTICLE II**

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

**ARTICLE III**

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the report of the Board of Commissioners and to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Thirty-Two Thousand and Four Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE IV**

To hear the reports of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

**ARTICLE V**

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007.

Richard Fletcher, 2009  
Raymond Taber, 2011  
Henry Boyle, 2008

Allen Gamans, Jr., 2010  
Richard Coughlin, 2007

## GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

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REVENUE:	2006 BUDGET	YTD 2006 (unaudited)	2007 BUDGET
<b>WATER CHARGES</b>	<b>\$ 461,724.00</b>	<b>\$ 443,490.00</b>	<b>\$ 516,190.00</b>
Metered water	308,654.00	289,169.00	358,190.00
Flat rate	100,000.00	96,321.00	100,000.00
Hydrants	53,070.00	58,000.00	58,000.00
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>63,790.00</b>	<b>95,092.00</b>	<b>65,790.00</b>
Booster Station	4,500.00	4,157.00	4,500.00
Thawing	350.00	-	350.00
Forestry	-	16,531.00	-
Hyd repair	2,900.00	852.00	2,900.00
New Services	8,000.00	12,522.00	8,000.00
On/Off	300.00	540.00	300.00
Service reapi	2,000.00	4,581.00	2,000.00
Meter repair	40.00	-	40.00
Mtn Laurel H2O	18,000.00	19,469.00	18,000.00
Engineering	-	-	-
Mtn Laurel Septic	26,400.00	27,722.00	26,400.00
FEMA	-	6,063.00	-
Pool fills	300.00	-	300.00
Misc.	1,000.00	2,655.00	3,000.00
<b>SAVINGS INTEREST</b>	<b>9,000.00</b>	<b>14,127.00</b>	<b>9,000.00</b>
<b>SHARED REVENUE</b>	<b>27,273.50</b>	<b>27,374.00</b>	<b>26,424.00</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>561,787.50</b>	<b>580,083.00</b>	<b>617,404.00</b>
<b>SAVINGS TRANSFER</b>	<b>48,000.00</b>	<b>15,448.00</b>	<b>15,070.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 609,787.50</b>	<b>\$ 595,531.00</b>	<b>\$ 632,474.00</b>

## GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

EXPENDITURES:	2006 BUDGET	YTD Unaudited	2007 BUDGET
<b>EXECUTIVE</b>	<b>108,000.00</b>	<b>114,958.00</b>	<b>116,000.00</b>
Salaries	108,000.00	114,958.00	116,000.00
<b>Financial ADM</b>	<b>5,106.00</b>	<b>5,544.00</b>	<b>9,660.00</b>
Audit	1,750.00	1,850.00	2,000.00
Bus. Supplies	2,000.00	2,410.00	2,200.00
Office Equip	1,000.00	937.00	5,000.00
Personnel supp	350.00	287.00	400.00
Safe Box	30.00	60.00	60.00
<b>PERSONNEL ADM</b>	<b>55,122.00</b>	<b>55,273.00</b>	<b>62,135.00</b>
FICA	8,262.00	8,778.00	8,568.00
Health ins	41,330.00	41,481.00	46,000.00
W/C Ins	1,500.00	1,625.00	2,437.00
Retire. Fund	4,000.00	4,389.00	5,100.00
U/C Ins	30.00	0.00	30.00
<b>BUILDING MAINT.</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	<b>333.00</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>
Office repairs	200.00	0.00	1,000.00
Filtr.bldg.	500.00	333.00	1,000.00
Well bldgs.	300.00	0.00	1,000.00
Tank	300.00	0.00	1,000.00
<b>INSURANCE</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	<b>3,086.00</b>	<b>3,400.00</b>
Liab?Prop. Ins.	3,000.00	2,986.00	3,200.00
Bond Ins.	200.00	100.00	200.00
<b>LEGAL</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>
<b>ADV/REG. ASSOC.</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>	<b>1,047.00</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>
Advertising	500.00	212.00	500.00
Assn Fees	500.00	425.00	500.00
License fees	250.00	375.00	250.00
Meeting Exp.	500.00	35.00	500.00
<b>OTHER GEN. GOVT</b>	<b>16,300.00</b>	<b>15,828.00</b>	<b>15,800.00</b>
Vehicle exp.	3,500.00	6,180.00	3,500.00
Off heat/elec.	4,000.00	2,228.00	3,500.00
Tel/Comm	4,500.00	3,876.00	4,500.00
Postage	2,700.00	2,949.00	2,700.00
Forestry	0.00	0.00	0.00
Engineer	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Comp. Support	600.00	595.00	600.00

<b>WATER SERVICES</b>	<b>34,700.00</b>	<b>25,658.00</b>	<b>34,700.00</b>
Contract Labor	6,000.00	2,485.00	6,000.00
Hydrant repairs	3,000.00	2,467.00	3,000.00
Dam repairs	500.00	0.00	500.00
Service repairs	5,000.00	5,731.00	5,000.00
Main repairs	14,700.00	3,845.00	14,700.00
Meter repairs	200.00	78.00	200.00
Pump repairs	1,500.00	9,910.00	1,500.00
Equip. repairs	1,000.00	980.00	1,000.00
Road repairs	500.00	0.00	500.00
New Serices	2,000.00	162.00	2,000.00
Thawing	300.00	0.00	300.00
<b>WATER TREATMENT</b>	<b>65,100.00</b>	<b>52,067.00</b>	<b>66,600.00</b>
Chemicals	12,000.00	3,197.00	12,000.00
Electric	23,000.00	24,429.00	24,000.00
Heat	4,000.00	4,054.00	4,500.00
Glenview	3,600.00	4,678.00	3,600.00
Gen. Suppiles	3,000.00	1,084.00	3,000.00
Water Tests	4,500.00	2,759.00	4,500.00
Mtn Laurel water	15,000.00	11,866.00	15,000.00
<b>SEWAGE</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>	<b>9,995.00</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>92,820.00</b>	<b>92,820.00</b>	<b>89,670.00</b>
Bond princ	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00
Bond int.	32,820.00	32,820.00	29,670.00
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			
<b>LAND &amp; IMPROV.</b>	<b>188,486.00</b>	<b>196,738.00</b>	<b>190,909.00</b>
Conting. Fund	10,000.00	3,200.00	10,000.00
Cap. Replac.	10,000.00	6,969.00	10,000.00
Main/sys. Upgrades	168,486.00	186,569.00	167,909.00
Bldg upgrade	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
<b>MACH/EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>3,834.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
house meters	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Equipment	3,000.00	3,834.00	3,000.00
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>			
<b>TO CAP. RES. FUND</b>	<b>18,350.00</b>	<b>18,350.00</b>	<b>18,350.00</b>
Ntn Laurel Septic	13,350.00	13,350.00	13,350.00
Vehicles	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$609,788.00</b>	<b>\$595,531.00</b>	<b>\$632,474.00</b>

## GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT



*Seated L-R: Clerk Diane Rand, Chair Christine Daniels, Treasurer, Bruce Rand, William Swanson  
Standing L-R: Supt. Keith Moore, Ray St. Pierre*

The Grasmere Village Water Precinct had some personnel changes this year. Chairman Peter Georgantas moved out of the Precinct and resigned as Chairman. Christine Daniels assumed the Chairman's duties. Ray St. Pierre was sworn in as a new Commissioner. Bruce Rand is now the Treasurer of the Precinct. Bill Gordon is representing the Precinct at the Budget Committee meetings.

The Mast Road water main upgrade did not proceed this year due to cost factors. The Precinct's agreement with Greystone Development still stands if they receive approval from the town. Water will be extended up the Goffstown Back Road and Tirrell Hill Road with no cost to the Precinct.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Daniels, Chairman  
Grasmere Village Water Precinct

# **2007 WARRANT**

## **THE GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT**

To the members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire; you are hereby notified to meet in the Grasmere Grange Town Hall in the Village of Grasmere at seven p.m. (7:00 p.m.) o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 to act on the following articles:

### **ARTICLE #1**

To choose a Commissioner for the years 2007 and 2008 and 2009.

### **ARTICLE #2**

To see if the Precinct will vote to approve the budget as proposed by the Commissioners and approved by the Town Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Six Thousand, One Hundred Twenty-Three and forty-three cents (\$206,123.46) for the ensuing year.

### **ARTICLE #3**

To hear the reports of the treasurer and clerk for the year 2006.

### **ARTICLE #4**

To act upon any unfinished business from the previous meeting.

### **ARTICLE #5**

To discuss and act upon any other business which may rightfully come before said meeting.

This is the Precinct's annual meeting and it is hoped that all members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will attend and support the Precinct.

Given on this Twelfth (12) day of January, 2007, under our hands:

Christine Daniels  
William Swanson  
Raymond St. Pierre  
Commissioners of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct

## GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

### REVENUE

	<u>2006 BUDGET</u>	<u>2006 REVENUE</u>	<u>2007 BUDGET</u>
<b>WATER CHARGE</b>	<b>\$146,959.00</b>	<b>\$131,775.64</b>	<b>\$157,023.46</b>
BASE	\$129,949.00	\$115,350.64	\$140,385.96
FIRE PROTECTION	\$960.00	\$560.00	\$0.00
HYDRANT RENTAL	\$15,750.00	\$15,750.00	\$16,537.50
MISC	\$300.00	\$115.00	\$100.00
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>\$4,300.00</b>	<b>\$3,269.19</b>	<b>\$4,300.00</b>
HYDRANT REPAIR	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
SERVICE REPAIR	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
ON/OFF	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
NEW SERVICE	\$3,000.00	\$3,269.19	\$3,000.00
METER REPAIR	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
SERVICE CONTRACT	<b>\$4,800.00</b>	<b>\$3,880.00</b>	<b>\$4,800.00</b>
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$156,059.00</b>	<b>\$138,924.83</b>	<b>\$166,123.46</b>
<b>TRANSFER FROM</b>			<b>\$40,000.00</b>
FUND BALANCE			
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$206,123.46</b>

## GRASMERE WATER PRECINCT

EXPENDITURES	2006 BUDGET	2006 EXPENDED	2007 BUDGET
<b>EXECUTIVE</b>	<b>\$33,500.00</b>	<b>\$30,653.88</b>	<b>\$36,473.46</b>
SALARIES	\$33,500.00		\$36,473.46
<b>FIN. ADMIN</b>	<b>\$1,820.00</b>	<b>\$885.31</b>	<b>\$2,400.00</b>
AUDIT	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$400.00	\$304.31	\$500.00
POSTAGE	\$350.00	\$507.00	\$700.00
POST OFFICE BOX	\$70.00	\$74.00	\$0.00
<b>BUILDING MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$27.38</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>INSURANCE</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,317.01</b>	<b>\$1,400.00</b>
LIABILITY/PROPERTY	\$1,000.00	\$1,317.01	\$1,400.00
<b>LEGAL</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>ADV./REG. ASSOC.</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$145.00</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>
TRAINING	\$250.00	\$25.00	\$500.00
ASS.FEE	\$250.00	\$120.00	\$250.00
<b>OTHER GEN/GOV</b>	<b>\$3,200.00</b>	<b>\$3,490.34</b>	<b>\$3,500.00</b>
TELEPHONE	\$3,200.00	\$3,490.34	\$500.00
ELECTRIC	Incl.		\$3,000.00
<b>WATER SERVICES</b>	<b>\$104,839.00</b>	<b>\$90,661.19</b>	<b>\$110,400.00</b>
MANCHESTER WW	\$88,639.00	\$81,690.75	\$93,000.00
SERVICE REPAIRS	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
CONTRACT LABOR	\$10,000.00	\$1,680.00	\$10,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIRS	\$800.00	\$1,922.94	\$800.00
METER REPAIRS	\$200.00	\$0.00	INCL.
NEW SERVICES	\$3,000.00	\$2,967.50	\$3,000.00
WATER TESTS	\$1,200.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
MAINT. SUPPLIES	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
SNOW PLOWING	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$146,059.00</b>	<b>\$127,180.11</b>	<b>\$156,123.96</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>			<b>\$40,000.00</b>
RT 114 MAIN, BACK ROAD			
	<b>\$156,059.00</b>	<b>\$137,180.11</b>	<b>\$206,123.46</b>



# 2007 OFFICIAL TOWN BALLOT

## MARCH 13, 2007

### ARTICLE 1 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

#### SELECTMEN

- For 3 Years                      Vote for Two
- Vivian Blondeau
- William Gordon
- Scott Gross
- Bruce Hunter
- Tricia Wynne
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### BUDGET COMMITTEE

- For 3 Years                      Vote for One
- Roger Richard
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### CEMETERY TRUSTEES

- For 3 Years                      Vote for One
- Jean Walker
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

- For 3 Years                      Vote for Two
- Ruth Ann Biron
- Lisa M. Iodice
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLANNING BOARD

- For 3 Years                      Vote for Two
- William Zackeroff
- Timothy Redmond
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLANNING BOARD

- For 1 Year                      Vote for One
- James Raymond
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### SEWER COMMISSION

- For 3 Years                      Vote for One
- Paul Laperle
- Catherine Whootten
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST

- For 3 Years                      Vote for One
- Suzanne Tremblay
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

- For 3 Years                      Vote for One
- Kenneth Rose
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

#### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

- For 3 Years                      Vote for Two
- Denise M. Herman
- Gail Labrecque
- Denis Pinard, Jr.
- Catherine Whootten
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_
- Write-In \_\_\_\_\_

## ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend the definition of subdivision, adding before the last sentence of this definition: "A lot line adjustment, even though creating no new lots, is a subdivision. A lot merger, reducing the number of lots, is not a subdivision." And to amend Section 9.3.2.4 to read: "Manufactured home parks are subject to all provisions of the zoning ordinance that affect residential subdivisions, except in the case of conflicting standards, in which case those in this Section shall govern. Parks between 10 and 20 acres in size are not controlled by Section 12.5 Open Space Developments, but should be designed in a clustered form, to the extent practicable, in order to achieve meaningful open spaces and to minimize required infrastructure?"

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 1.4 dealing with interpretation of terms so that the existing language becomes Section 1.4.1 and a new Section 1.4.2 is added to read: "Any proposed use which cannot satisfy the setback requirements enumerated in this ordinance shall be considered presumptively unreasonable"?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 7.4.1 by exempting this requirement in the VC district; amend Section 7.4.2, requiring that driveways be at least 50 feet from street intersections; and amend Section 7.4.3 by exempting this requirement in the VC district?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 7.5 dealing with alternative parking arrangements so that: (1) Create a new Section heading 7.5.4 Parking Requirement Reduction; (2) Relocate Sections 7.5.3.2, 7.5.3.2.1 and 7.5.3.2.2 under this new heading; (3) Add "The number of parking spaces may be further reduced provided the Planning Board finds that the characteristics of the principal uses are such that the parking spaces will be occupied at different times by the respective uses that are sharing them, and that concurrent attempts at occupancy of the spaces will not occur" at the end of Section 7.5.3.2.2; (4) Delete "Within the RSBO-2, VC and C districts, the Planning Board may waive some or

all of the parking requirements for the preceding reasons or in the event that the Board finds there to be sufficient parking in public parking lots, from on-street parking or from shared parking arrangements as described in Section 7.5.3, or from any combination thereof” from Section 7.5.2; (5) Add a new Section 7.5.4.2 to read; “Within the RSBO-1, RSBO-2, VC and C districts, the Planning Board may waive some or all of the parking requirements for the preceding reasons or in the event that the Board finds there to be sufficient parking in any combination from public parking lots, from on-street parking, or from shared parking arrangements as described in Section 7.5.3, and (6) Renumber Section 7.5.4 as 7.5.5?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

### **ARTICLE 6**

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 8.4 dealing with outdoor lighting so that the last sentence reads: “The Planning Board may grant exceptions within Goffstown and Pinardville and Grasmere Village Centers, as defined by the Planning Board, and for outdoor recreational facilities and for historic purposes by Conditional Use Permit. In addition to Section 14.4.1 Conditional Use Standards, exceptions should perform some public purpose, for example, lighting a public sidewalk or other facility?”

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

### **ARTICLE 7**

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 9.3.2.3 dealing with manufactured homes and manufactured home parks, deleting the words “except in the case of age restricted housing when maximum density shall be 125% of that density”, and “Age restricted housing shall be that which requires one resident over 55 years of age and prohibits residents under 18 years of age,” thereby removing any density bonus for age restricted housing?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

### **ARTICLE 8**

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 12.2 Flood Hazard (FH) District, amending the floodplain ordinance as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to add a new Section 4.5 to read as follows:

### 4.5 Emergency Housing

- 4.5.1 An emergency, and its duration, shall be as defined by the Board of Selectmen.
- 4.5.2 Manufactured housing and trailers, as defined in the glossary, which are licensed and ready for highway use, may be used as temporary housing during a declared emergency.
- 4.5.3 The Building Inspector may issue permits for emergency housing.
  - 4.5.3.1 Permitting of emergency housing may be off site with appropriate property owner agreements.
  - 4.5.3.2 Permitting of emergency housing shall include consideration of appropriate sewer and water availability, on or off site, and how such is to be provided in order to insure public health.
  - 4.5.3.3 Permitting of emergency housing shall include appropriate consideration of flooding or other natural hazards in order to insure public health?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 3.10B by adding a new use: "Cemetery and burial ground" after Church and synagogue", to be allowed by Conditional Use Permit in the Agricultural district, with the addition of Supplemental Standards 5.22 to read as follows:

- 5.22.1 Cemeteries to be a minimum of 1 acre in size.
- 5.22.2 Cemeteries to be accessed by a class V, or better, public road.
- 5.22.3 Burial lots to be a minimum of 100 feet from any dwelling house, schoolhouse or school, store or other place of business.
- 5.22.4 Cemetery shall be provided with a fence and necessary gates.
- 5.22.5 There shall be a plan for suitable care and maintenance of the cemetery, which shall be provided to the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees.
- 5.22.6 There shall be a plan for operations and management of the cemetery, which shall be provided to the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees.
- 5.22.7 Records shall be kept in accordance with RSA 289, as amended, including (1) the location of a burial site shall be recorded in the

deed to the property upon transfer of the property to another person, (2) there shall be records of every burial showing the date of burial and the name of the person buried, the lot, plot or part of such plot and lot in which the burial was made, and (3) such records shall be provided to the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## **ARTICLE 11**

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 3.11-A, Accessory to Principal Residential Use, adding Residential Wind Turbine as a new accessory use allowed by Conditional Use Permit in the CO and A districts, with an asterisk referring to Supplemental Standards Section 5.23; and to add a new Section 5.23 to read as follows:

5.23 Residential Wind Turbine:

5.23.1 Towers are limited to one per property.

5.23.2 Towers are limited to 80 feet in height.

5.23.3 No part of the use, tower, guys or associated equipment, shall be within a required front, side or rear yard setback. The fall-zone of the tower, generator and blades shall, likewise, not be within these setbacks.

5.23.4 Noise of a normally operating wind turbine shall be certified by the equipment manufacturer to not exceed 57 decibels at the closest neighboring inhabited dwelling.

5.23.5 Certification by the manufacturer or an engineer, that the system, its tower, base and footings, as well as equipment, all meet the requirements of the currently adopted edition of the International Building Code.

5.23.6 If connected, evidence shall be provided that the utility company has been notified of the applicant's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator.

5.23.7 The Planning Board may require wildlife and other surveys in determining location appropriateness?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

## **ARTICLE 12**

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 12 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Section 5.9 Dwellings in a Building Accommodating Non-Residential Uses, changing its title to: "Mixed Use Development", and adding the criteria that in the C and CIFZ

Districts where multi-family dwelling units are also allowed in residential buildings, or on the ground floor within a mixed occupancy building, the gross square footage of the residential use shall not be larger than the gross square footage of the non-residential use?

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

### **ARTICLE 13**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$2,537,000) for the purpose of designing, constructing and installing a water distribution system which is more particularly described in an overall project plan dated October 18, 2006, which is intended to bring a water distribution system to the area of the Town of Goffstown known as the Lynchville and Danis Park areas, said improvements to be installed at the direction of and in accordance with the established requirements of the Town of Goffstown?

And to authorize the issuance of not more than One Million Six Hundred Forty Nine Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$1,649,050) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; to authorize municipal officials to raise a minimum of Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000) in grants and aid; and furthermore, to authorize municipal officials to utilize interest earnings on the invested bond proceeds of approximately Thirty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$37,950). Summary of proposed funding sources: \$1,649,050 (bond) + \$850,000 (grants/aid) + \$37,950 (bond interest) = \$2,537,000 (appropriation).

Without impairing in any way the fact that the bonds will be general obligations of the Town, it is the intent to repay this bond issuance by charging an Accessibility Fee to each property benefiting from this water distribution system. This project is contingent on effectuating an acceptable Inter-Municipal Agreement with Manchester Water Works and a successful expansion of Manchester Water Works franchise area. (60% Ballot Vote required to pass).

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 14**

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Sixteen Million Seven Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Three Dollars (\$16,789,463)? Should this article be defeated, the

default budget shall be Sixteen Million Six Hundred Seventy One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars (\$16,671,929), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.”  
NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 15**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Seventy Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five Dollars (\$1,473,665) for the purpose of implementing the current phase of the Road Improvement Plan? The road improvement plan has been part of the CIP process since 2002 and annual appropriations for the plan have been approved as Special Articles since 2002. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 16**

Shall the Town direct the Board of Selectmen to include the Road Plan appropriation in the operating and default budgets beginning in 2008?

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.*

### **ARTICLE 17**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be deposited into the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Capital Reserve Fund? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.*

*Not recommended by the Budget Committee.*

### **ARTICLE 18**

Shall the Town appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Capital Reserve Fund as provided by RSA 35:15?

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.*

## ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

## ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Goffstown, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$45,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$80,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years preceding April 1 in the year the exemption is claimed, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$35,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less \$50,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$150,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.*

## ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$295,438) for the purpose of hiring ten (10) full-time firefighters? This amount is for six months, beginning July 1, 2007. These new positions added to current staff will provide coverage at one fire station 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Staffing will be a minimum of five (5) full-time firefighters per shift.

Said appropriation to be funded as follows:

- (1) reallocation of Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars (\$49,178) from the call firefighter related account lines to full-time employee related account lines in the 2007 Fire Department operating budget;
- (2) reallocation of Eighty Thousand One Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars (\$80,169) from EMS wage related account lines in the EMS operating budget to full-time employee related account lines in the 2007 Fire Department operating budget; and
- (3) the remaining One Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Ninety Two Dollars (\$166,092) to be raised by taxes.

The annualized (12 month) cost of hiring 10 full-time firefighters is Five Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Five Dollars (\$557,335).

Implementation of this article is contingent upon negotiating an agreement with the exclusive bargaining unit representative.

(These calculations are based on 2005 wage and cafeteria plan rates.) (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

## **ARTICLE 22**

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 162-K:1, adopt the provisions of RSA 162-K relative to Municipal Economic Development and Revitalization Districts so that the town will thereafter have all the authority, powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in that chapter?

*Presented by the Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Planning Board.*

## **ARTICLE 23**

Assuming the adoption by the Town of Article 22, shall the town, pursuant to RSA 162-K:3 & 5, resolve that the adoption and implementation of the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan will serve a public purpose as the same as is contemplated in RSA 162-K:5 and to adopt the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan?

*Presented by the Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Planning Board.*

## **ARTICLE 24**

Assuming the adoption by the Town of Article 23, shall the town, pursuant to RSA 162-K:5, create and establish the Tax Increment Financing District described in the Mast Road Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development District Plan and, in addition to establishing the district, establish the development program and tax increment financing plan more particularly set forth in said plan?

*Presented by the Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Planning Board.*

## **ARTICLE 25**

Shall the Town, in accordance with RSA 32:15, increase the number of the Budget Committee elected at large members from nine (9) to twelve (12)?

*Presented by the Board of Selectmen upon recommendation of the Budget Committee.*

## ARTICLE 26

Shall the Town go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Goffstown?

These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of Goffstown encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions. The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices.

*Submitted by petition.*

## ARTICLE 27

Shall the Town direct that records (including official minutes) of transactions and undertakings of all public bodies of the Town of Goffstown and of any and all Town public proceedings as defined in N.H. RSA 91-A:1-a are to include descriptive information reflecting the affirmative or negative vote cast and noted by each individual member of such public body on all matters for which a vote is taken, such that member votes are recorded by name and subject matter of each vote?

*Submitted by petition.*

## ARTICLE 28

Shall the Town direct the Selectmen to study the effects of privatizing medical ambulance services to establish twenty-four (24) hour coverage for the whole Town?

*Submitted by petition.*

## ARTICLE 29

Shall the Town deposit 100% of revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in a conservation fund, established under RSA 36-A:5, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II, said funds to be used for conservation land and easement acquisition and costs associated therewith?

*Submitted by petition.*

### **ARTICLE 30**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$245,000) for the purposes of acquisition of land conservation easements and costs associated therewith to support the goals of conservation and open space? These funds will expire at the end of 2007 if they have not been used.

*Submitted by petition.*

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

**2007 OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION**  
**GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**MARCH 13, 2007**

**ARTICLE 1**

**To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.**

**SCHOOL BOARD**     3 for 3 years

- Lorry D. Cloutier
- Philip E. Kendall II
- Jeffrey A. Tate

**To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing one year.**

**SCHOOL BOARD**     1 for 1 year

- Henry C. Boyle

**ARTICLE 2**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000.00) to be added to the existing Bartlett Elementary School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. Furthermore, to fund this trust from the yearend undesignated fund balance available on July 1 of 2007. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article. **(Majority vote required). (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)**

**ARTICLE 3**

Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the four-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Educational Support Staff Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007 – 08	\$180,551
2008 – 09	\$206,087
2009 – 10	\$163,480
2010 – 11	\$168,603

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE DOLLARS (\$180,551.00) for the 2007-08 fiscal year, by taking TWENTY ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX DOLLARS (\$21,286.00) from the Food Service Revenue accounts with the remaining ONE HUNDRED FIFTY NINE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$159,265.00) to come from taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the Operating Budget. **(Majority vote required.) (The School Board recommends this Article) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article)**

#### ARTICLE 4

Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the five-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007-2008	\$671,670
2008-2009	\$701,828
2009-2010	\$711,959
2010-2011	\$686,914
2011-2012	\$719,360

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$671,670.00) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the Operating Budget. **(Majority vote required.) (The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)**

#### ARTICLE 5

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth

therein totaling THIRTY THREE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS (\$33,257,417.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY THREE MILLION, NINETY FOUR THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY ONE DOLLARS (\$33,094,921.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law. In the event this Article is defeated, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. **(The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)**

## SCHOOL BOARD REPORT



*Bottom L-R: Lorry Cloutier, Ellen Vermokowitz, Vice-Chair, Jason DeYoung, Student Rep.  
Middle L-R: Scott Gross, Keith Allard, Chair, Philip Pancoast.  
Top L-R: Kent Nolan, Virginia "Ginny" McKinnon, Absent: Sara Ann Sarette.*

The 2006-2007 school year will be remembered for an event that has only occurred a half-dozen times in the past century in Goffstown-the opening of a new school. On October 2, 2006, the Glen Lake School opened its' door to the inaugural kindergarten class. It took the efforts of the community and the dedication of numerous individuals. The Goffstown School Board is grateful to the residents and volunteers who helped make public kindergarten in Goffstown a reality. Every day volunteers in the Goffstown School District donate time and energy to support programs in our schools. It is because of their efforts and those of our staff that we have so many wonderful accomplishments.

To help ensure continued success and progress, the School Board has been working with our administrators, teachers, and parents to refine and improve our curriculum. It is imperative to provide our students and teachers with the resources needed to be successful. Over the past four years the School District has placed an emphasis on integrating technology into the curriculum. This has included providing laptop computers to all of our teachers and encouraging daily use of them in our students' studies. It is our obligation to prepare our students with the ability to perform and excel in a world that is becoming more dependent on technology.

The School District has also used technology to improve communication with the community and parents. This is being accomplished with improvements to the school district website, increased technology training for all staff, addition of more computers and related technologies in all of our schools, and encouraging

staff to continuously evaluate how to better incorporate technologies into the curriculum.

In addition to technology integration, one of the primary goals of the Goffstown School Board is to promote academic rigor for all of our students. In our elementary schools and MVMS, the focus recently has been on improving literacy skills through sustained reading. We continue to encourage parents to assist with the educational development of their children and stress the importance of reading in the home.

At Goffstown High School we continue to challenge our administrators to review our current practices and test data in order to improve our delivery of educational services. Over the years we have made numerous enhancements to our course offerings to promote academic rigor at all levels. Goffstown High School currently offers seven Advanced Placement courses as well as the Running Start Program that enables college bound students the ability to earn credits towards their post secondary education. Most recently our Board and Administration are working together to improve our honors curriculum in order to meet the needs of our higher performing students at all levels. In addition, Goffstown High School offers a full array of opportunities for all students to learn and prepare themselves to be lifelong learners. Programs such as the GAP, Team I, Alternative Education, and the ability for students to take classes at the New Heights Charter Academy are all fine examples of the diversity of options available to our students.

The continued support from the community has become an integral part of the District's success. Several recent Points of Pride include:

- Thirteen students at Goffstown High School earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program<sup>®</sup> (AP<sup>®</sup>) Exams.
- Two Mountain View Middle School students were selected last school year as NELMS Scholar Leader Award winners.
- A team of students from Mountain View Middle School and Maple Avenue participated in the Global Competition of Destination Imagination in Knoxville, Tennessee in 2005 finishing 33rd. In 2006 the group finished 6<sup>th</sup> in a field twice the size of the year before.
- Last year 110 students received New Hampshire Community Technical College credit in Running Start courses. Ten different courses were offered in the program of studies in Computer Science (Network, Programming, Computer Repair and Webpage Design), Business (Management, Marketing, Accounting), Anatomy and Physiology, Psychology and Sociology. This year, nine different courses are offered in 17 sections. Enrollment is at capacity with 336 students.

- One hundred forty-two students enrolled in at least one AP course this year. This represents the highest enrollment ever. Since many students enroll in more than one AP course, two hundred fifteen students-seats were filled. Thirteen sections are open in eight course areas: Calculus, Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, United States History, English Literature and Composition and Spanish. For the past four years, the percentage of students taking the exam at the end of the course has increased. Eighty-five percent of those enrolled took the AP exam in 2006.
- The strings program, which began eight years ago, has developed into an orchestra.
- The Mountain View Middle School's Band participated in the New Hampshire Large Group Music Festival and received a "B" rating.
- Three Mountain View Middle School students were chosen to participate in the New Hampshire Middle School Honors Band.
- The Goffstown High School Select Vocal Ensemble was the featured ensemble at the November 2006 Plymouth State College All-New England Choral Festival. The Goffstown High School Select Vocal Ensemble also received an invitation to perform for Governor Lynch and the Executive Council in March, 2006
- The Goffstown High School Band, Chorus, and Select Vocal Ensembles all received "A" ratings at the NH Music Educator's Large Group Festival in March 2006.
- Four Goffstown High School students won Gold Keys in the Scholastic Art Awards of New Hampshire
- Goffstown High School and Mountain View Middle School Drama programs continue to grow and receive statewide recognition
- We currently host six students from the International Student Exchange Program, from Japan, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Spain, Italy and Germany.
- Our schools provide phenomenal support to the Goffstown Food Pantry
- The Goffstown High School's Wrestling Team finished first in the State in 2006 in Division II
- Wrestling Coach Todd Lavallee was named Coach of the Year.
- Wal-Mart Regional Teacher of the Year-Lisa Nicholson, Maple Ave. – 2006
- 2005 Milken Educator Award-Amelia Marler, Goffstown H. S. – 2005
- Wal-Mart N. H. Teacher of the Year-Colleen Mannion, GHS – 2005

Funding changes at the State and Federal levels has made it difficult to predict the funds we will receive as a community. As residents we need to be aware the activities of our legislatures. We need to be vocal with our concerns and with the community's needs. If the State of New Hampshire could provide appropriate, consistent and reliable funding for public education, it would allow school districts to better predict the funds they would receive and plan accordingly. At the Federal level, school districts like Goffstown are struggling to comply with the requirements of No Child Left Behind while being reimbursed for only

eighteen percent of the cost associated with these mandated programs. When the program was first introduced, the Federal Government promised to fund forty percent of the cost, an amount still not adequate to meet the lofty goals of No Child Left Behind. With taxes being a constant topic, it is imperative that not only the School Board but also all residents play a proactive role in our government and be vigilant in overseeing the activities of our representatives.

In closing I would like to acknowledge the work and efforts of my fellow Board Members who have served countless hours to provide continuous improvement to the education of our children. It has been a pleasure to serve on the School Board these past four years and an honor to serve as Chairman this year. I look forward to continuing to serve and work with the dedicated administrators, teachers, staff, and volunteers that make the Goffstown School District a point of pride to the community.

Thank you for your continued support.

Keith Allard, Chairman  
Goffstown School Board

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

On behalf of School Administrative Unit #19, I present this 2006 report of the Superintendent of Schools. Two Thousand Six was a rewarding and challenging year. The seven schools serving the districts of Dunbarton (one elementary school), Goffstown (three elementary schools, one middle school and one high school which includes an alternative high school, a charter high school and an evening diploma program), and New Boston (one elementary school), continue their mission of developing and supporting an educational community that advances rigorous standards for learning for all students, resulting in high student achievement. We were pleased to open the Glen Lake School in Goffstown on October 2, 2006.

Student enrollment data is available in a separate table within this report. The data is quite interesting. Many of you might anticipate reviewing enrollments that are steadily or even rapidly growing based upon the amount of building construction you see taking place in our communities. However, that is not the trend we see. Upon review, you will note that student enrollment continues to be relatively static and in some cases it actually is declining.

Every year, the district focuses on data, including the data published in the Annual District Report Card to measure progress and to set goals. (Please see <http://www.goffstown.k12.nh.us/sau/index.html>). These goals guide our decisions about curriculum and assessments, planning of professional development opportunities for staff and budgeting of resources. They also guide the individual schools in setting goals, which vary in detail but are aligned in purpose.

The mission of Advancing Student Learning is applied to all of the SAU's curriculum, assessment, and professional development initiatives. In discussions on any of these areas, we continue our focus on the same questions:

1. What should students know and be able to do? To what standard?
2. What variety of instructional methods and materials will ensure that all students have the opportunity to learn?
3. What training and resources will teachers need to make that happen?
4. How will we assess students' progress toward standards and mastery?

During 2005-06, our schools focused on integration across all curriculum areas of the grade level expectations (grade span expectations at the high school level) that have been developed by the New Hampshire Department of Education for Reading, Writing, Research and Problem Solving/Inquiry. Teachers defined core "assured learning experiences" for all students in a grade level or course. They also integrated 21<sup>st</sup> century technology tools into instruction, accessing many workshops, coursework and other online resources. Teachers have participated

in workshops on grade level expectations in core subject areas, and on how to effectively use all of our resources to reach those grade level expectations. Special training was offered to staff for the Rebecca Sitton Spelling program during the summer of 2005 and again this past summer.

In 2004, as part of the ongoing cycle of curriculum development and revision, teams of teachers aligned our local math curriculum with the NH Grade Level and Grade Span Expectations for mathematics. This year, the budget included dollars for replacement and updating of mathematics resources for that revised curriculum. Grades 9-12 retained their current math textbook resources and purchased technology to enhance math instruction. High school math teachers continue to develop common exams and to refine course expectations. Grades 7 and 8 shifted to MathScapes by Glencoe. SAU 19's elementary schools chose to keep the K-6 Everyday Math program, and purchased its online resources for assistance and enrichment. Both of these standards-based math programs fit well with our local curriculum emphasis on problem solving, applying skills to real-life situations, and explaining one's reasoning. Through a combination of in-class coaching and seminars, teachers are working with math consultants on how to use these resources most effectively in the classroom.

Teams of teachers from each school attended training in differentiated instruction. Carol Ann Tomlinson, a recognized national expert, gave powerful examples of how to personalize and adjust instruction so that all students meet high standards. Training continues at the classroom level, through demonstration lessons and coaching to ensure that students meet standards in literacy, math and other content areas.

This will remain an area of focus in the coming year, as will communicating those standards more clearly to both students and parents. Also, all schools will continue to work with students to build their own self-knowledge of their talents, interests and educational needs.

Teachers from across the SAU have continued their work on common assessments and plans for pacing instruction. Teachers are encouraged to apply their craft through lesson design and instruction while the underlying grade level expectations and standards are consistent. Both students and staff benefit from this unified emphasis on what students need to know and be able to do.

Instructional use of technology is another focus for our districts. A team of administrators and teachers is currently working to define a set of standards and expectations for students and staff regarding the use of appropriate technologies in our schools. The Goffstown School District purchased a powerful web-based program, PowerSchool, to initiate better communication between the school and parents regarding everything from school lunch balances to weekly assignments to grades.

Students in grades 3-8 participated in state achievement testing in reading and math – the New England Compact Assessment Program (NECAP). Grades 5 and 8 also participated in a written language component to the NECAP. This annual assessment will be what the state uses to determine whether or not districts are making adequate yearly progress (AYP) as defined by the No Child Left Behind legislation.

In addition, SAU#19 administers its own “local” assessments – twice yearly writing samples, end of unit tests in reading and math, and many teacher-designed “common” assessments are used across a subject or grade level. Another standardized test used by the SAU is the Northwest Evaluation Association’s Measures of Academic Progress (NWEA’s MAP). This computerized measure of reading, math and language arts adapts to the level of performance of the student as the test progresses, and allows teachers to track individual student progress over the course of the year. The tests provide accurate and immediate scores to help teachers plan instructional programs. You will find more information on student performance by perusing the principals’ reports.

Special education constitutes a large part of our program and the following paragraphs will provide citizens in each district with a snapshot of this population. The Goffstown School District had a total of 523 students identified with special education needs attending our programs during the 2005-2006 school year. This total represents 17% of the student population. Specifically, Bartlett Elementary School had 70 students identified with special education needs (including three, four and five year olds). Maple Avenue had a total of 59 students identified with special education needs. Mountain View Middle School had a total of 171 students identified with special education needs. Twenty of those students were from either New Boston or Dunbarton. Finally, Goffstown High School had a total of 223 students identified with special education needs. Seventy of those students were from either New Boston or Dunbarton.

The Dunbarton School District had a total of 39 students identified with special education needs attending Dunbarton Elementary School for the 2005-2006 school year. This represents 17% of the population. There were an additional 27 students with special education needs who were enrolled at either Mountain View Middle School (9 students) or Goffstown High School (18 students).

The New Boston School District had a total of 73 students identified with special education needs attending the New Boston Central School for the 2005-2006 school year. This represents 14% of the population. There were an additional 63 students with special education needs who were enrolled at either Mountain View Middle School (11 students) or Goffstown High School (52 students).

As you can see, the numbers are significant. Students with a variety of identifications are educated within the schools of SAU#19. These disabilities

may include specific learning disabilities, speech and language disorders, autism, serious emotional disturbances, and other health impairments, all of which significantly impact the student's ability to progress through the general curriculum at a pace congruent with their peers. The SAU provides a wide variety of services for our special education students. Some of these programs or services include individual or small group tutoring, differentiated instruction in the regular classroom, classroom based supports, emotional/behavior support through specific programs and counseling, alternative education programs, life skills education, individual vocational programming, and related services (such as speech therapy or occupational therapy).

The SAU has provided multiple opportunities for special education staff to receive a wide variety of professional development opportunities. The SAU trained more than 30 teachers in Non Violent Crisis Prevention. This training teaches staff various ways in which to de-escalate difficult situations with students. The SAU also provided teachers with an intensive training in the Wilson Reading Program. This is a specific reading intervention program for our struggling readers. We had 21 teachers take advantage of this opportunity. All special education staff have had opportunities to learn and explore the changes that have occurred in the re-authorization of the special education federal law (IDEA 2004). In an effort to keep our para-educators up to date with SAU programs, they were provided with various opportunities for professional development as well, including instruction in our writing process (6 Traits) and our math program (Everyday Math). We continue to seek out and provide opportunities for our special education staff to keep informed and up to date with district programs and services.

The New Heights Charter Academy, a charter school focusing on Business and Technology needs of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students opened in January of 2006. The program was approved by the New Hampshire Department of Education.

The Goffstown School District opened the Glen Lake School in October 2006. The building currently houses Goffstown preschool and kindergarten students. We thank the building committee and the many citizens who worked to make this building come to fruition.

The Dunbarton School Board subcommittee entitled the Capital Improvement Committee has continued their work on building improvements with work on the HVAC systems. We continue our thanks to Jeff Trexler for his volunteer leadership of this effort. The final phase of the project is being completed as this report is being developed. The Dunbarton School Board has included more on this project in their annual report.

Preparation continued for the Goffstown High School for the visit from the New England Association of Schools & Colleges, Inc. (NEASC), accreditation team. The NEAS&C is the nation's oldest regional accrediting association, and they

serve more than 2,000 public and independent schools, colleges and universities in the six states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont and American International schools in more than sixty nations worldwide. The process ends with a visitation in March of 2007. As we put the final touches in the high school reports and study, the middle school is beginning the data collection process for the first accreditation team visit to Mountain View. This visit will take place in the fall of 2008.

Goffstown elementary and middle schools conducted a pilot trimester program in the 2005-2006 school year. The impetus for this approach is to provide more appropriate information to parents regarding their student's progress. The school board reviewed the approach in the spring and approved the continuation for future years. Dunbarton, New Boston, and Goffstown High School remain on a quarterly academic schedule.

Five teachers retired from our schools during the 2005-2006 school year. We send thanks and best wishes to Leslie Callahan of Maple Avenue Elementary; Gene Crews and James Rosa of Mountain View Middle School; Terry Neller of Goffstown High School; and Candice Woodbury of New Boston Central School. Rose Colby retired from her position as principal of the Mountain View Middle School. Our well wishes are extended to her as she endeavors to seek other pursuits.

The Goffstown Board awarded Cornerstone Awards to Ava Lane (art teacher at Goffstown High School) and Helen Skoglund (former school board member and long time treasurer for the district). They awarded Dreamkeeper Awards to Jon Morris and John Neville for their support of the district on several building and renovation projects over the last few years. Colleen Mannion (theater arts teacher at Goffstown High School) and Amelia Marler (social studies teacher at Goffstown High School) were given recognition at the annual Deliberative Session for receiving statewide and national attention for their teaching.

There were other recognizable changes as well. Larry Emerton stepped down as Moderator after the 2006 Goffstown School District meeting. He served in this capacity for the past twenty seven years. Helen Skoglund, an institution in her own right, stepped down during the school year from her position as treasurer. Helen has served both the town and the schools in many capacities for several decades. Michele Croteau moved to a new position in the Concord School District in the fall of 2005 after serving as the SAU Business Administrator for seven years. Ray Labore, a Goffstown resident and Budget Committee member was hired to fill this opening and started in January 2006.

The summer of 2006 was presented many opportunities as we completed hiring, orienting and processing the paperwork for forty new teachers in our three districts. Leslie Doster transitioned from her multiple roles as Assistant Principal of Maple Avenue Elementary/ Kindergarten Project Coordinator / Special

Education Facilitator of Bartlett Elementary to the Principal of the new Glen Lake School. James Hunt was hired to become the Principal of Mountain View Middle School.

We wish to extend our thanks to several School Board members for their years of service. Members completing Board service during the 2005-2006 year were - in New Boston, Diane Manson and Fred Hayes- and Jane Raymond in Goffstown.

As we approach the time of year for deliberative sessions and school district meetings, I extend to all members of our communities, the Boards of Education, the administration, faculty and support staff and our students our continued best wishes for a safe, joyous and successful school year.

Darrell J. Lockwood, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

# GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

## School Deliberative Ballot Determination Meeting

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2006

**Moderator, Larry Emerton, called the 2006 School District Deliberative Session to order at 7:03 p.m. There were 97 registered voters in attendance out of a total of 11,176 registered voters.**

L. Emerton introduced a member of the Goffstown High School teaching faculty. This person is the recipient of the 2005 New Hampshire Milken Family Foundation National Educator award from Teacher magazine The Milken Educator's Award, is the Oscar's of teaching. The award is the largest teacher recognition program in the United States. A \$25,000 individual award was given. Ami Marler will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. She will be going onto Washington, D.C. to represent NH.

The Goffstown Drama Club will put on a program. We are looking forward to seeing what you are going to produce. The cast from 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, sang the National Anthem, and performed a brief selection from the musical performance, which will be performed at Goffstown High School.

L. Emerton then introduced the Chair of the School Board, Ellen Vermokowitz.

Ellen Vermokowitz: Each year the School Board honors and recognizes members of the community. Ami Marler was a former student at Goffstown High School. From there, she went on to earn her Masters in Education from the University of New Hampshire in 1997. After teaching for two years at Hillsboro-Deering High School, Ami returned to Goffstown to teach Social Studies. She has been teaching at Goffstown High School for six years. During this time, she has proven to be a strong leader in the classroom and in the larger picture of the school community. We honor Ami for her recent recognition as a 2005 New Hampshire Milken Family Foundation National Educator. This award was presented to Ami during a surprise school-wide assembly. At this time, she was also awarded a \$25,000 check.

The next person is also a member of our staff, Colleen Mannion. She began working in the Goffstown School District in 1999 as an English teacher at Goffstown High School. Prior to that, she worked as an English teacher for 7 years at Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative in Wilton, NH. Lee currently teaches 10<sup>th</sup> grade English and Theater, and is also the director of the high school Theater program. She was recently selected as the New Hampshire Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year. As a result, Goffstown High School will receive a \$10,000 grant. Also as a result of Ms. Mannion's creative work (in conjunction with Mr. Dan Pare), the high school was recently notified that they will also be receiving a \$5,000 competitive theater technology grant to help make theater productions a multi-media experience through the use of cutting-edge

technology. We honor Lee Mannion for her strong work in the areas of English and Theater education.

E. Vermokowitz then introduced School Board member, Scott Gross.

Scott Gross: The next award is our Cornerstone award. It is someone who has over the years contributed a great deal to education in Goffstown. This year I would like to present the award to Ava Lynn Lane. A lot of the great artwork is displayed at the Bedford Mall. Goffstown High School is displayed very well. She started here in 1979. You have had a tremendous influence on the students here. We have had numerous students who have won many state and national awards in art. I would like to thank Ava. We have a certificate.

A. Lane: I love coming to work every single morning. My husband and I just had a debate about retirement. He is talking when and I am talking never.

S. Gross: Each year we also recognize people who have given a significant contribution over a shorter period of time. The awards are called Dream Keeper Awards. These next two gentlemen have contributed so significantly here at the high school. This person was instrumental in developing the fields at the high school. I'd like to honor Jon Morris.

S. Gross: The next person has also contributed to our school district over the years. This specific contribution was made with the fields in the back, moving the ledge and doubling the parking in the back of the school; also, with the site work at the kindergarten site. I would like to honor John Neville.

Sara Sarette: Cornerstone Award. We have picked a person who exemplifies the phrase cornerstone. She is a long time resident of Goffstown. Community participation is her middle name. Her presence for me is always uplifting. She is a wonderful person. She worked for the Town of Goffstown. She served on the School Board in the 1970's and 80's. She worked for her church. She was the school treasurer. There are a lot of things about her that she needed a lot of help, but never asked for it and did the things she had to do. I am happy to give the Cornerstone award to Helen Skoglund.

E. Vermokowitz: As you know, school board members serve for a three-year term. It has been our pleasure to serve with outgoing board member Jane Raymond who has served for nine years. In her capacity she has chaired the curriculum committee every single year. She has been instrumental in what we have achieved. She has been tenacious and has fought hard for our kids. I ask you to join me in thanking Jane for her nine years on the board.

E. Vermokowitz: We have one more recognition. This person is deserving of more than we have. According to our town records, he started service when I was 14 years old. He served as clerk from 1965 to 1978 and as moderator from 1979 to 2006. He is not done; he now is running for school treasurer. I ask you to join us in thanking Larry Emerton for his dedication to our school district.

L. Emerton: Back in the 1960's I was asked to be Clerk. We had hundreds of people show up. The budget for the year I started was \$600,000 in the early 1960's. I want to introduce Senator Lou D'Allesandro. I bring that up because Lou is chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, which raises money. It went from \$600,000 to \$33 million. My wife, Elaine, recently received a

National award from the Lion's Club representing NH and Goffstown. She received \$1,000, and she was flabbergasted as I am tonight.

Chairman Ellen Vermokowitz introduced the following School Board members Vice Chair Phil Pancoast, Scott Gross, Keith Allard, Ginny McKinnon, Jane Raymond, Sara Sarette, Lorry Cloutier, Marie Morgan, and Shea Sennett (student representative).

Mr. Emerton also introduced Superintendent Dr. Darrell Lockwood. Dr. Lockwood introduced the SAU staff: Assistant Superintendent Kathy Titus; Assistant Superintendent Stacy Buckley, Business Administrator Ray Labore; Principals Rose Colby, David Bousquet, Marc Boyd, and Frank McBride; Assistant Principal Leslie Doster; Facilities Director Jerry Agate; School District Attorney Tim Goudas.

Moderator Emerton also introduced Budget Committee Chair Dan Cloutier; Budget Committee School Sub-Committee Chair Phil Kendall; School District Clerk Jo Ann Duffy; and Assistant Moderator James Raymond.

Mr. Emerton reviewed the housekeeping rules regarding written ballots. Mr. Emerton read the official warrant:

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on Monday, the sixth day of February 2006, in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium at Goffstown High School, at 7:00 p.m. for the first session of the School District Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subject and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 14, 2006.

You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, 2006, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The pools are open on March 14, 2006 at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. at the Central polling district in the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

**MOTION: A motion was made by P. Manney and seconded by J. Caprio to dispense with the reading of Articles 2-4 and take them up separately. This was voted unanimously in the affirmative.**

### **Article 1**

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.  
To choose three School District Officials for the ensuing three years, namely: School District Moderator, School District Treasurer, School District Clerk.

### **Article 2**

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed **THREE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$306,510.00)** for the purpose of funding the increased cost of construction of a 10 classroom Kindergarten facility. The increased cost is due to delays caused by litigation and reflects the necessary funds needed to furnish and

equip the kindergarten school in order to open in October 2006. Construction plans and a cost itemization shall be on file with the School Administrative Unit #19 Office in Goffstown, New Hampshire.

This appropriation to be funded from New Hampshire State Building Aid and Kindergarten Aid as may become available and withdrawing up to **THREE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$306,510.00)** from the existing Town of Goffstown School Impact Fee Funds with no tax impact. Furthermore, to authorize the School District to make application for and accept all grants which may now or hereafter be forthcoming for this purpose and shall be applied to reduce the use of said Impact Fees?

This article requires no funds **\$0.00 (Zero Dollars)** to be raised through taxes. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required.) (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

**MOTION: Ellen Vermokowitz, I move and will speak to Article 2 as printed on the Warrant. Seconded by Sara Sarette.**

This article asks voters to appropriate \$306,510.00 to cover the costs associated with construction delays of the Kindergarten facility, which are attributable to litigation and those setup costs required to open the facility in October 2006. This article requires zero dollars to be raised through taxes. Costs will be covered through a combination of NH State Kindergarten Aid and existing school impact fees.

E. Vermokowitz: The original budget for this project was developed some three years ago. As you are most likely aware, delays in construction more often than not result in increased costs. The original budget included all known considerations, including furniture and equipment to build this ten-room kindergarten facility. Once the school district had a site conducive to our purposes, we began obtaining the necessary permits. We consulted with various town departments. With their input, changes were made to the project. Changes, such as a double access road off of Elm Street, a boxed culvert, a cistern, and a sprinkler system, to name a few all were additions to the base project. With the increasing costs of construction happening quickly, the School Board decided to bid and lock into various costs with the already approved dollars, which included the allowance for furniture and equipment. In order to do this, the furniture and equipment dollars were integrated into the construction costs. This move enabled us to reserve the construction materials, lock into prices and to move forward as soon as possible. We have been fortunate with weather this winter and with the hard work of our consultants at ProCon, Marinace Architects, and John Neville Construction, the school district has been able to get the site ready for construction. We also asked our superintendent to research items in the operating budget that could be placed in the project costs, thus reducing this for the kindergarten. We found a number of items we could put into the project costs instead of within the operating budget, thus reducing that cost and increasing this

article dollar amount. Therefore, this article is asking for the increased cost of the project of \$306,510 to be paid for from already collected impact fees (no cost to the taxpayers). We also expect to receive the State 75 percent kindergarten aid. We ask for your support of this article, which is recommended by both the School Board and the Budget Committee.

Collis Adams: Can you clarify what litigation you are talking about that caused the delays in the kindergarten?

Ellen Vermokowitz: We had litigation brought about by abutters on the Tibbetts Hill Road site and the Glen Lake site.

C. Adams: There was action brought by the Glen Lake site?

E. Vermokowitz: Yes.

C. Adams: I want to make it clear when the kindergarten site at Glen Lake received all approvals for construction, the preconstruction meeting was held within days of the permit. That construction started. It has gone on uninterrupted since that time. There was nothing done relative to the Glen Lake site that caused the delays.

## ARTICLE 2 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRESENTED

### Article 3

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling THIRTY THREE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED THREE DOLLARS (\$33,114,203.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY TWO MILLION, THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO DOLLARS (\$32,388,972.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law. In the event this Article is defeated, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

**MOTION:** P Pancoast, Mr. Moderator, I will move and speak to Article 3 as presented on the Warrant. Seconded by Scott Gross.

Scott Gross: Mr. Moderator, I move and will speak to Amend Article 3 to read \$32,914,203.00 – a reduction of \$200,000.00. Seconded by Philip Pancoast.

Scott Gross: The School Board and the Budget Committee have worked on budget development for several months knowing that the Kindergarten program was coming on-line this year. An attempt was made to maintain existing programs while holding the line on increases. Unfortunately, in early December,

we received news that due to increased utilization, the district health insurance coverage was increasing by 27 percent. At that point, an additional \$595,000 was added to the budget proposal. The Budget Committee and the School Board agreed to a budget proposal after a public hearing in January. However, based upon concerns raised by the Budget Committee and in an attempt to be responsive to community needs, the School Board revisited their budget during the last week of January. It is their intent to amend the proposal and reduce the budget listed above by \$200,000.00 at the Deliberative Session.

P. Pancoast and Scott Gross reviewed the budget and explained their Power Point presentation. S. Gross thanked Dan Cloutier, Chair of the Budget Committee, and Phil Kendall, Chair of the School side sub-committee.

Philip Pancoast: The difference between amended budget and the default budget is \$525,231.00. The budget represents a \$1.47 per thousand increase from 2005. The School Board is deferring the Bartlett Capital Reserve Fund (\$300,000). On the average home in Goffstown this increase represents a yearly increase of \$313 or \$26 per month. The default budget does not include kindergarten. The cost of operating the kindergarten is approximately \$650,000.00. The School Board is proposing a budget that is slightly less than the default budget plus kindergarten operating expenses.

Angela Battey: It is my impression that you needed to find \$200,000. You went back into the budget and some of it is from NH aid. If we told you we wanted you to find \$500,000, could you shave it off? An increase of \$300 is a lot to swallow. Could we shave some money from each department to decrease the budget? If we run with the default budget, do we not open the kindergarten for a year?

P. Pancoast: That is a question that we haven't answered yet.

A. Battey: I am looking at these figures. I have a child in every school in this town. Just shy of a million for guidance is one thing that pops to mind. At my house, we run at the bare minimums. Can we do more to shave more money off this budget? It is a lot of money.

S. Gross: We are sensitive to that. This was an extremely difficult budget season. With regard to guidance, right now we barely meet the minimum standards. We are considerably less in terms of our spending. We are judicious in what we are doing. I think we did take a good look at what we mention in terms of what can we do to reduce the costs as best as we can. The Budget Committee struggled with these questions as well. We will have an extremely difficult time opening kindergarten if we get a default budget. There will be cuts in the budget that will have a very large impact if we do decide to open the kindergarten.

A. Battey: As a taxpayer, I would insist that we are doing everything that we can to keep it low.

S. Gross: The Board shares your concerns. We entered into an agreement with Honeywell, because we saw energy costs rising. The Board is working hard to accomplish what you are talking about.

James Martin: I would like a clarification on the default budget. What goes into setting up this budget?

Scott Gross: The default budget is last year's operating budget, plus any contractual obligations, mandatory items, such as special education needs. There are a whole variety of factors in order to meet the default number. Ultimately, they do affect the quality of education in the community.

Cathy Donovan Simard: I have followed the kindergarten process through the events. We were never told there was going to be a bus for the kindergarten. Now you say there is busing. How did that come to be?

S. Gross: The School Board always included busing. We talked about having a bus in the morning and in the afternoon. In between, there would be no busing. Our budget proposals have always included transportation.

C. Simard: As far as the elementary school, what about the plans to take the kindergarten and add on with an elementary school?

S. Gross: It is in our long-term plans. It is not a short-term initiative.

C. Simard: In regards to surrounding towns, does every community pay for health insurance 100 percent?

S. Gross: I doubt that they do, and we don't. In some cases we pay 90 percent, and in some cases 85, 75. It depends which plan they take. There is an employee contribution.

C. Simard: Is there any way to make that more consistent?

S. Gross: This year we will be embarking on negotiations with the support staff and teachers. They represent two different bargaining units.

C. Simard: One of the things that I don't see in Goffstown is fund raising. I don't have children in school, but I was a kindergarten teacher. I would be happy to have you do fund raising. I am in the technology field, and I have a problem with your technology budget.

S. Gross: BAE has donated thousands of dollars of computer equipment. We also have business owners in our community who have donated thousands of hours of community service.

Jason Sachs: The administration line, this has gone up 40 percent in the last few years and I am wondering what that is from?

S. Gross: We have curriculum coordinators that were previously in the SAU budget. Since we comprise 72 percent of the budget, we believe that is a better route to go. We also have a new school going on-line that will require an additional administrator.

Liz Dolan: Why are you putting in an amendment to take money away when you haven't covered the insurance costs and you still have kindergarten to deal with?

S. Gross: The School Board saw that the tax rate was increasing and we had to make some sort of reaction. It was a difficult decision, but it was one that we felt we had to make. We had to make some sacrifices. The district will have discussions of what we will cut. We do have additional teachers we wanted to bring on board. That may or may not happen. We are trying to defer something we think we can do without maybe for another year. We are keeping our fingers cross that the guaranteed maximum rate will not be 27 percent. When we budget, we budget out almost 18 months. It is difficult to figure what the expenses will be.

Tricia Wynne: Looking at enrollment figures, 150 students cost \$650,000, why? That is a lot of money.

S. Gross: The budget includes five teachers, special education students; there may be aids, custodian, nurse, maintenance, electricity, and transportation.

T. Wynne: In regards to health insurance, have you searched out other avenues other than the current provider?

S. Gross: Our contract calls for specific health care providers. There are three or four with three or four different plans for both. We use the NH Health Trust. All of us in this room are dealing with the same issues. Part of this is a contractual obligation through bargaining. It is something that we are extremely vigilant of.

T. Wynne: I wanted to make sure we are also looking at other vendors and not just sticking with a vendor that is going up 27 percent in one year.

S. Gross: Our insurance rates are based upon our usage and experience. If we have staff that had serious health care issues that will raise the rate considerably.

T. Wynne: If we utilize centralized purchasing as opposed to each school ordering their own paper. There could be major benefits of cost reduction.

S. Gross: We do utilize this. We go out to bid on paper and milk, etc. It is something we are very mindful of. The School Board periodically looks at every invoice to make sure we are spending our money wisely.

Collis Adams: You are talking about \$1.47. Last year it was \$1.52. That is a significant increase to any family budget. When you use the figure of \$213,000, I think that might be low. We are talking about a \$400 to \$450 whack again this year. The burden this is placing on the average taxpayer. I also question the 150 students projected for kindergarten. How are the signups going? These are half-day session. It is the equivalent of 75 full time people. That is \$4200 per year per student for a half-day session. People can't grasp what the impact means to our family budgets.

Leonard Lunderville: I am on a fixed income of \$17,000 per year. My house is assessed at \$184,000.

S. Gross: Professional services, legal services, sir.

Kristy Garretson: Will the kindergarten be wireless? I just had this put in my house and I view it as a luxury.

S. Gross: Not to begin with. Creating a wireless environment is not a difficult task.

Leonard Stuart: I think that a time when you have a 100 percent increase in energy costs and insurance costs, the average wage increase is 2-3 percent if you are lucky. The double-digit increase in the tax rate is a big order to sell. I would have hoped the board would have taken a closer look at things first because I also think that \$213,000 is a bit optimistic for the average assessment. I hope the budget passes, but I think the board should have taken a much harder look with the amount being proposed now.

**MOTION ON THE AMENDMENT: Voice vote in favor of the amendment.**

**ARTICLE 3 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS AMENDED.**

### Petition Article 4

**“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the default budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14?”** (3/5<sup>th</sup> majority vote required.) (The School Board does NOT recommend this Article.)

**MOTION: John Caprio moved, seconded by Collis Adams to place Article 4 on the Ballot as presented.**

This petition article, if accepted, will place the responsibility for the development of the School Default (operating) Budget with the Budget Committee.

J. Caprio: I suggest that the voters approve this petitioned article. The legislation, allows for the option for voters to have the Budget Committee determine the default budget.

Ellen Vermokowitz: It should be noted that this is not being brought forth by the Budget Committee, but private citizens. The Budget Committee is not asking for this responsibility. The School Board is responsible for the implementation of the school district budget. The School Board sets the default budget. This is a public process. The School Board goes over the default calculations. If there are monies we do not need to spend, we don't. The development is prepared by the School Board with the help of the SAU office who are aware of our obligations. The School Board does not recommend this article and we urge you to vote no on this article.

Dan Cloutier: As someone having a financial background, I am wondering if the calculation needs to be done. Numbers are finite. I don't understand why a number couldn't be calculated. I have to take a step back and say what is the more public body that could harness and have this calculation done in an open forum. Which way would be a more public way of calculating a default budget?

E. Vermokowitz: All of the School Board meetings are public. You are welcome to run for office and help us do this job. The budgets are gone over at those meetings.

J. Caprio: I think I have already described which body would have the most visibility. Have you seen the default budget DRA spreadsheet? The answer is no. I think that giving it to the Budget Committee, and the fact that it could be publicized in the hearings is the way to go.

E. Vermokowitz: It is posted with the warrant as required by law.

Bob Wheeler: I believe that opinions need to be identified. When we hear that I know how the legislature voted for this, I was one of the people who cast a vote. I suspect that each of us has a very different reason for casting our vote. I can tell you on the floor of the House that the reason for voting this option into statute was simply enabling. There is a natural tension that belongs in this discussion. A tension that exists between a Budget Committee whose focus is on money and a School Board who focuses on the delivery of educational services. There is a tension that belongs there. It doesn't have to erupt into 'I know how come you do it because you want to keep the power.' Indeed, when we first dealt

with this issue, I know that the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen sat down together and tried to figure out how to do it. We worked through the process jointly. I just want to moderate a little bit the expressions of whether to go forward with this. I think the Budget Committee has a very important role and that is to do the detail work and act as a buffer between the taxpayers and the governing bodies who have to deliver governmental services. That is a good thing. But, it is the governing bodies that I believe ought to have the responsibilities of calculating the default budget because by Statute they are the bodies who have to make up the warrant. The budget article will always be a significant article in the warrant. It is the governing bodies who have the responsibility of doing that task and I think it should remain the way it is.

Jennifer Theroux: In speaking to the open public forum comment that was made, I am not familiar with Robert's Rules, but at the January Budget Committee hearing, after the hearing several people waited after the dismissal and traditionally, the Budget Committee meets on the floor right away. When they saw taxpayers coming forward they motioned to adjourn. The forum remained public but the public had to wait.

S. Gross: One thing I think that is remarkable there is a lot of questioning of elected officials. I will say I find it interesting this year, and the last three or four years there have been 3-4 school board openings. Please run for office. Lastly, all of the meetings are open meetings. The majority of the time rarely does anyone attend.

#### **ARTICLE 4 WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRESENTED.**

**J. Caprio: The motion I made was not the wording on the piece of paper. The motion made is the words between the quotation marks.**

**MOTION: P. Kendall moved, seconded by P. Manney to adjourn the 2006 Goffstown School District meeting at 9:12 p.m. So voted.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Duffy  
Goffstown School District Clerk

# ELECTION RESULTS

Goffstown, NH School District

March 7, 2006

## Article 1

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years. To choose three School District Officials for the ensuing three years, namely: School District Moderator, School District Treasurer, School District Clerk.

### School Board

Keith Allard 2,078

Virginia "Ginny" McKinnon 2,267

Kent H. Nolan 1,972

### School Treasurer

Larry Emerton 2,429

### School Clerk

Jo Ann Duffy 2,316

### School Moderator

James Raymond 2,420

## Article 2

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed THREE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$306,510.00) for the purpose of funding the increased cost of construction of a 10 classroom Kindergarten facility. The increased cost is due to delays caused by litigation and reflects the necessary funds needed to furnish and equip the kindergarten school in order to open in October 2006. Construction plans and a cost itemization shall be on file with the School Administrative Unit #19 Office in Goffstown, New Hampshire.

This appropriation to be funded from New Hampshire State Building Aid and Kindergarten Aid as may become available and withdrawing up to THREE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$306,510.00) from the existing Town of Goffstown School Impact Fee Funds with no tax impact. Furthermore, to authorize the School District to make application for and accept all grants which may now or hereafter be forthcoming for this purpose and shall be applied to reduce the use of said Impact Fees?

This article requires no funds \$0.00 (Zero Dollars) to be raised through taxes.

This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required.) (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

Yes      1991                      No      1289

### Article 3

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling THIRTY THREE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED THREE DOLLARS (\$33,114,203.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY TWO MILLION, THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO DOLLARS (\$32,388,972.00) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law. In the event this Article is defeated, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.

(The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

Yes      1696                      No      1560

### Petition Article 4

“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the default budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14?” (3/5<sup>th</sup> majority vote required.)

(The School Board does NOT recommend this Article.)

Yes      1120                      No      1972

Jo Ann Duffy

Goffstown School District Clerk

# **GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **2007 WARRANT**

### **SCHOOL BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 5, 2007**

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:**

**You are hereby notified to meet on Monday, the Fifth day of February 2007, in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium at Goffstown High School, at 7:00 P.M. for the first session of the School District Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subject and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 13, 2007.**

**You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of March 2007, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls are open on March 13, 2007, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.**

## **ARTICLE 1**

**To choose all School District officers for the ensuing years:**

**To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.**

**To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing one year.**

## **ARTICLE 2**

**To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000.00) to be added to the existing Bartlett Elementary School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. Furthermore, to fund this trust from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1 of 2007. This**

appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required). (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

### Article 3

Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the four-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Educational Support Staff Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007 – 08	\$180,551
2008 – 09	\$206,087
2009 – 10	\$163,480
2010 – 11	\$168,603

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE DOLLARS (\$180,551.00) for the 2007-08 fiscal year, by taking TWENTY ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX DOLLARS (\$21,286.00) from the Food Service Revenue accounts with the remaining ONE HUNDRED FIFTY NINE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$159,265.00) to come from taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.) (The School Board recommends this Article) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article)

### ARTICLE 4

Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the five-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007-2008	\$671,670
2008-2009	\$701,828
2009-2010	\$711,959
2010-2011	\$686,914
2011-2012	\$719,360

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$671,670.00) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.) (The School Board recommends this article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this article.)

## ARTICLE 5

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling THIRTY THREE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS (\$33,257,417.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY THREE MILLION, NINETY FOUR THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY ONE DOLLARS (\$33,094,921.00) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law. In the event this Article is defeated, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. (The School Board recommends this Article.) (The Budget Committee recommends this Article.)

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 22nd DAY OF JANUARY 2007.

Keith Allard, Chair  
Ellen Vermokowitz, Vice Chair  
Lorry D. Cloutier  
Scott Gross

Virginia McKinnon  
Kent Nolan  
Philip Pancoast  
Sara Ann Sarette

### SCHOOL BOARD

Original Copy on File at SAU #19, 11 School Street, Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

## OCTOBER 1 PUPIL ENROLLMENT 2002 - 2006

School	Grade	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>BARTLETT</b>	Pre-School	33	40	44	47	0
1		52	42	57	44	44
2		59	51	46	49	50
3		53	55	55	51	47
4		44	54	56	56	59
<b>Total - Bartlett</b>		<b><u>241</u></b>	<b><u>242</u></b>	<b><u>258</u></b>	<b><u>247</u></b>	<b><u>200</u></b>
<b>Glen Lake School</b>	Pre-School	--	--	--	--	46
	Kindergarten	--	--	--	--	94
		<b><u>--</u></b>	<b><u>--</u></b>	<b><u>--</u></b>	<b><u>--</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>
<b>MAPLE AVE</b>	Combination (2,3)	46	44	---	---	---
1		126	111	127	133	93
2		110	111	115	133	134
3		97	115	133	117	133
4		144	124	143	139	108
<b>Total - Maple Avenue</b>		<b><u>523</u></b>	<b><u>505</u></b>	<b><u>518</u></b>	<b><u>522</u></b>	<b><u>468</u></b>
<b>MOUNTAIN VIEW</b>	5	197	191	178	203	202
	6	223	208	197	182	204
	7	331	341	287	287	288
	8	313	343	324	288	288
<b>Total - MVMS</b>		<b><u>1,064</u></b>	<b><u>1,083</u></b>	<b><u>986</u></b>	<b><u>960</u></b>	<b><u>982</u></b>
<b>GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL</b>	9	314	320	356	336	358
	10	303	325	318	366	326
	11	308	346	319	348	361
	12	245	264	301	294	279
<b>Total - GHS</b>		<b><u>1,170</u></b>	<b><u>1,255</u></b>	<b><u>1,294</u></b>	<b><u>1,344</u></b>	<b><u>1324</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL 2002- 2006</b>		<b>2,998</b>	<b>3,085</b>	<b>3,056</b>	<b>3,073</b>	<b>3,114</b>

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT- PROJECTED REVENUES**

	MS 24 2005-2006	MS 24 2006-2007	Sch. Board 2007 - 2008	Budget Comm. 2007-2008
	Approved	Approved	Proposed	Proposed
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>				
Adequacy Grant	5,058,937	5,058,937	6,829,860	6,829,860
School Building Aid	506,200	535,771	506,200	506,200
Kindergarten Construction Aid				
Area Voc. School Transportation Aid	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Kindergarten Bridging Aid		180,000	180,000	180,000
Catastrophic Aid	173,633	460,000	459,829	459,829
Child Nutrition	9,600	9,600	9,600	9,600
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>				
IASA, Chapter I and II	599,874	596,680	596,680	596,680
Child Nutrition Programs	90,000	67,000	67,000	67,000
<b>LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES</b>				
Tuition	4,330,481	4,829,850	4,829,850	4,829,850
Driver Education Program Receipts	19,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Earnings on Investments	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Food Service	737,791	795,691	833,895	833,895
Medicaid	65,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
School Impact Fees	187,500			
Reimbursement Spec. Ed.	182,294	306,510	185,000	185,000
<b>SUBTOTAL REVENUES &amp; CREDITS</b>	<b>11,966,810</b>	<b>12,956,539</b>	<b>14,614,414</b>	<b>14,614,414</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Sale of Bonds				
<b>GENERAL FUND BALANCE</b>				
Reserved Fund Balance	300,000	0	300,000	300,000
Unreserved Fund Balance	310,220	1,329,088	1,000,000	1,000,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	<b>12,577,030</b>	<b>14,285,627</b>	<b>15,914,414</b>	<b>15,914,414</b>
<b>DISTRICT ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>14,084,107</b>	<b>15,422,498</b>	<b>13,830,415</b>	<b>13,830,415</b>
<b>STATE ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>3,418,322</b>	<b>3,512,588</b>	<b>3,512,588</b>	<b>3,512,588</b>
<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>30,079,459</b>	<b>33,220,713</b>	<b>33,257,417</b>	<b>33,257,417</b>

**Notes:**

-> FY 2007 - 2008 appropriation number equals the operating budget warrant article

-> Projected revenues are estimates and are subject to change.



## GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	2005 - 2006 Actual	2006 - 2007 Appropriation	2007 - 2008 Proposed School Board	2007 - 2008 Proposed Budget Committee
Regular Education	11,706,300.00	13,439,233	13,148,019	13,148,019
Special Education	4,853,935.00	6,174,433	6,219,534	6,219,534
Vocational Programs	88,138.00	95,000	102,050	102,050
Co-Curricular & Athletics	468,309.00	504,700	555,534	555,534
Summer School Programs	2,611.00	20,038	20,515	20,515
Other Pupil Services	13,200.00	29,250	28,550	28,550
Adult Education Programs	77,938.00	84,284	86,277	86,277
Field Rental	5,000.00	5,000	5,000	5,000
Guidance	875,074.00	950,197	960,348	960,348
Health Services	271,471.00	379,555	368,230	368,230
Speech Pathology and Audio	261,845.00	274,587	294,320	294,320
Curriculum Development	3,611.00	4,085	4,802	4,802
Staff Development	54,816.00	66,000	66,000	66,000
Information Center Services	433,186.00	459,441	463,557	463,557
Educational TV	174.00	3,700	3,700	3,700
Technical Support Services	242,072.00	189,755	212,568	212,568
School Board	35,064.00	36,149	46,458	46,458
Treasurer	1,399.00	2,624	2,848	2,848
District Meeting	1,075.00	3,445	4,174	4,174
Audit Services	6,500.00	6,500	6,825	6,825
Legal Services	25,321.83	10,000	10,000	10,000
SAU Services	990,560.00	1,026,522	1,042,538	1,042,538
Administration	1,573,324.00	2,004,887	2,083,419	2,083,419
Other Student Support Services	187,930.00	22,938	22,718	22,718
Building Operations	2,064,462.00	2,249,444	2,290,753	2,290,753
Care and Upkeep of Grounds	51,307.00	68,675	34,550	34,550
Equipment Maintenance	3,651.00	7,622	68,073	68,073
Transportation	917,584.00	939,116	965,102	965,102
Special Needs Transportation	641,676.00	644,065	655,769	655,769
Skills Center Transportation	27,522.00	30,915	31,860	31,860
Athletic Program Transportation	51,891.00	58,200	60,172	60,172
Field Trip Transportation	18,516.00	32,700	32,700	32,700
Other Professional Services	0.00	26,090	9,749	9,749

GEES Course Reimbursement	8,515.00	9,000	9,000	9,000
Site Improvement	188,177.00	38,000	38,000	38,000
Architctural Engineering	25,051.00	0	0	0
Debt Service	1,905,853.00	1,854,092	1,796,530	1,796,530
Transfer to Capital Reserve	300,000.00	0	0	0
Total General Fund	28,383,058.83	31,750,242	31,750,242	31,750,242
Federal Grants Fund	697,806.00	596,680	596,680	596,680
Capital Projects Fund	2,993,648.00	0	0	0
Food Service Fund	952,716.00	873,791	910,495	910,495
<b>Total Goffstown School District*</b>	<b>33,027,228.83</b>	<b>33,220,713</b>	<b>33,257,417</b>	<b>33,257,417</b>

\*Note: The proposed Fiscal Year 2007-2008 columns equal the operating budget warrant article

## PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

### **GLEN LAKE SCHOOL**

**Leslie T. Doster, Principal**

Glen Lake School opened its doors for the first time on October 2, 2006 welcoming 140 students. The school is home to Goffstown's first public kindergarten as well as the integrated preschool program for 3 and 4 year olds. School hours are 8:45AM to 3:00PM daily with students attending either the morning or the afternoon session.

Glen Lake School provides a rich learning environment designed for exploration and discovery. Curriculum and teaching materials are aligned with those used in first grade to provide a seamless and successful transition to both Bartlett and Maple Avenue Elementary Schools. Additional information on Glen Lake School can be found on the School District Web Site.



**Glen Lake School  
The New Kindergarten**

## BARTLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

David A. Bousquet, Principal

Robert Louis Stevenson stated, "Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant." At Bartlett Elementary School we believe we provide an excellent environment for each student to grow throughout the school years and into their adult years. Because of its small size and grade range (grades 1-4), Bartlett Elementary is an ideal school for academic and social growth and a source of community pride.

Bartlett has seen a rise in student achievement and best practices in instruction. At one time, we scored below the state average on both English/Language Arts and Math. However, the Fall 2005 NECAP results showed that both third and fourth grades scored on grade level in both Reading and Math. This growth is also evident on other assessments, such as the NWEA and Terra Nova. On both of latter these assessments, Bartlett Elementary students have consistently scored average or above average in all areas, most notably in reading and math.

Why have we seen such growth? The entire Bartlett School community is committed to living its mission statement: "*The Bartlett Elementary School will ensure the success of all students in an ever changing world.*" Teachers, staff, parents, and administration all play an active role in positively impacting student success. For example, Wee Deliver continues to help students develop writing skills with the in-school mail program. This year, volunteer Kris Drake coordinated this program. Throughout the year, Rotary Club volunteers read to students in classrooms. This organization also donated many books to our library and classrooms.

We have continued **PBIS** (Positive Behavior in School) at Bartlett! This school-wide program focuses on behavioral issues in the school environment. Bartlett students and staff have chosen Respect, Responsibility and Safety as our focus areas. Behavioral expectations have been developed for each area of the building and are then explained and modeled to the students. Children who are "caught" using these targeted behaviors are recognized with a special **PBIS** sticker. The school will continue its ongoing focus on positive behavioral expectations of all students and will also focus on students who are at-risk or have chronic discipline problems.

Students in grades three and four have the opportunity to participate in the strings program. These students receive lessons in violin, viola or cello from Muriel Orcutt, one of our music teachers. The program helps foster a love of music, provides an early exposure to instrumental music, helps build responsibility and helps students see the importance of practice.

Our partnership with St. Anselm College continues to flourish. Bartlett has provided the opportunity for many of the college's students to complete course requirements such as observations, internships and service learning. We

appreciate everything that St. Anselm College does for Bartlett Elementary. They are always there when we need them.

Bartlett Elementary School opened in September with 200 students and several additions to our staff. We were very excited to have the following people join our dedicated staff this year:

Shawna Gilligan – Special Ed/Title I Math

Ken Martin– Music

Kim Larochelle – Library Assistant

Mazie Mills-Special Ed. Asst.

The most noted change in the staff was the retirement of secretary, Ruth Myers. Ruth dedicated twenty-nine years to the Bartlett community. She will be greatly missed. However, we were pleased to have Chris Lange, our library assistant, assume the role of building secretary.

This year Bartlett has a theme of Circle and Cycles. This theme is to stress the interconnectedness of our world. Part of this includes a multicultural study. This is being celebrated through our school wide reading incentive program: Bartlett Reads Around the World. Each class chose a country and is trying to read around the world. Our Artist in Residence, Michael Caduto, will come in January and do multicultural tales about the earth and environment.

Throughout the year, many events and programs have taken place at Bartlett Elementary School in order to provide a well-rounded education to our students. Some of these programs included monthly All-School Meetings, Lunch With the Principal, McDonald’s Student of the Month, Grandparents’ Lunch, Red Ribbon Week, Kids Voting, Martin Luther King Celebration, Dr. Seuss’ Birthday, a Memorial Day Program, Project Night, Fourth Grade Farewell, and our first annual Talent Show. The Bartlett community was involved in many community service activities this year. For example, food was collected during Thanksgiving and Christmas for the Network Food Drive and distributed to area families during the holidays.

Positive and exciting things are happening at Bartlett. What it lacks in facility, it makes up in its dedicated, caring, and professional staff. The years of hard work and focused energy are evident in our student achievement and the energy and enthusiasm of our students. Our work is not complete, and there are always new challenges, but we are committed to meeting those challenges.

# MAPLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Marc Boyd, Principal

The 2005-2006 academic year was devoted to the advancement of literacy, which is the instruction of reading and writing and mathematics. At Maple Avenue Elementary School, we have always believed that a child learns to read in the primary grades (first through third) and reads to learn from that point on (fourth through twelfth). It is essential that we provide the foundation, if not the “house”, for our students in the area of literacy, if they are to be successful in school and life! We also believe that with math you start at the basic level and build students mathematical know-ledge in higher order thinking and critical problem solving.

At our school, we use a number of formal and informal assessments in order to measure student progress and to evaluate academic programming. The New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) is a standardized assessment that is given to our third and fourth grade students in the fall. This assessment is designed to measure student academic achievement and school programming. Educators use the results from this assessment to refine and/or align the curriculum, instruction and programs at the school level with the grade level expectations identified by the state’s department of education.

The Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) is a computerized formal measure of academic progress. This test produces results that can be used to inform teaching immediately and impact the classroom instruction. The Assessment Results Summary shows that our third and fourth grade students exceeded the target growth in reading on the NWEA. The NECAP results show that both grades are aligned with the state percentages and our highest scores were in word identification and vocabulary. The results from Trimester Benchmarks (oral reading assessments) show that 91% of our first grade students read on grade level, 94% of our second grade students, 92% of our third grade students and 90% of our fourth grade students are able to read text at their grade level.

Aside from the standardized evaluations, educators use everyday class-room assessment techniques to monitor student performance and growth. For example, educators use oral reading assessments to determine what a student can read fluently and with understanding. Educators also examine student writing through formal writing prompts and informal writing pieces. The goal of monitoring student performance every day is to ensure that all students continue to work at a level that is easy enough for them to feel competent and comfortable but challenging enough so that they are working to learn something new all the time.

We use the Everyday Math program for teaching students mathematics. Everyday Mathematics is a comprehensive curriculum that was developed by the University of Chicago School Mathematics Project. There are numerous math curriculums to choose from, all promising the most advanced instruction, comprehension and learning. After much research, we discovered that the

Everyday Mathematics curriculum surpassed most programs. Their goals and principles were in line with what our teachers strive to accomplish on a daily basis. Simply stated, but not a simple task. The goal of Everyday Math is to improve mathematics curriculum and instruction for all children, providing a concrete foundation for students to learn thus beginning school with more mathematical knowledge and understanding.

With this goal in mind, Everyday Math uses basic principles and a spiral effect of learning to guide its instruction. A skill may be introduced in Kindergarten and then revisited and developed numerous times in many different contexts. Everyday Math stresses the importance of aligning curriculum and instruction with a student's real life experiences. There is a stronger sense of meaning, understanding and purpose of concepts when they can be applied to a student's real life circumstances.

The assessment results for Maple Avenue Elementary indicate that our third and fourth graders performed above state standards in all sub-topics in both the NWEA & NECAP. Just a few of these sub-topics being Function & Algebra, Number & Operations, Geometry and Measurement. These results reinforce the efficacy of the Everyday Math Program.

At the Maple Avenue Elementary School, we have theories about learning and teaching that we refine and revise as we work with children. One of the most important purposes of an assessment system is to help us continually adjust and build upon our theories about learning and our instructional decisions.

With much "blood, sweat and tears" we finally have a public Kindergarten in Goffstown! Our former Assistant Principal, Leslie Doster, worked tirelessly throughout the year to assure a smooth and effective opening in the fall of 2006. Being designated as the Kindergarten Principal she formed a staff, which included many of our former staff members. When the Glen Lake Kindergarten opened, among the staff with Leslie, were Barbara Hammond, Kathy Geshel, Kathy Stoye, Gail Kenney, Brenda White and Leo Labrecque who all were at the Maple Avenue Elementary School this year.

Also, with the close of the school year, two long-term teachers left the school. Diane HARRISES, after ten years of service, left to pursue other professional endeavors while Leslie Callahan with 28 ½ years of service to the school retired. Mrs. Callahan was an institution at the school and both these teachers will be sorely missed.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge the incredible children we have at Maple Avenue, the wonderful staff who are truly committed to the children and their social and academic growth and our parent group, the PFT under the direction of Lynn Fitzpatrick, who are always there for the children and the staff.

# MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

JAMES A. HUNT, PRINCIPAL

**“To grow is to change, and to have changed often is to have grown much.”** John Henry Newman

The 2005-2006 Principal's Report for Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) reflects the energy and efforts of an administrative team under the skillful leadership of former Principal, Rose Colby. I am pleased to share the following highlights gleaned by Ms. Barry, Curriculum Coordinator, that reflect a most productive year of professional development at MVMS:

The 2005-2006 MVMS professional development focus on curriculum and assessments emphasized best practices that have the sole purpose of enhancing student performance. Throughout the year, faculty study groups engaged in the work of expanding individual instructional repertoires in an effort to better address the individual learning styles and needs of students of all ability levels.

Math revision in Grades 5 and 6 included expanded work with Every Day Math including developing and refining trimester assessments employed throughout the SAU. Grade 7 and 8 staff piloted aspects of Math Scape and Connected Math programs and simultaneously worked with the Every Day Math trainer to gain an understanding of “the what” and “the how” of the Grade 5/6 feeder curriculum.

Science professional development included a major K-12 initiative with preliminary work completed on grade level units. The work of the SAU K-12 Science Curriculum Revision Committee will serve as the basis for designing and implementing major professional development workshops in preparation for the initial implementation of the “revised science curriculum” in September 2007.

Our World Language Department utilized software that accompanies texts and supports the integration of national world language standards in the development of French and Spanish Units.

Language Arts staff focused on writing expectations emphasizing quality matters more than length. Additional areas of focus included the 6+1 Trait use in classroom instruction and assessment, guided reading, and research writing in content areas. A weaver joined our Unified Arts Department as an artist-in-residence for the benefit of our fifth grade students and staff.

In the area of technology, MVMS staff implemented PowerSchool for grading and attendance, and PowerLunch for student accounts. During the first year of implementation anticipated hurdles were identified and addressed setting the stage for expanded implementation in the 2006-2007 School Year.

On a personal note, 2005-2006 was indeed a special year for me. On February 1, 2006 I was introduced as the newly appointed principal to the Mountain View Middle School community. I knew at the outset that Mountain View Middle School represented a wonderful opportunity to join parents, staff, community members, and students in our mutual pursuit of “some kind of

excellence” within our individual and collective reach. As we move forward within the 2006-2007 School Year, I am reminded that each year of middle school is a special opportunity for our students to advance into a new, challenging, and wonderful adventure of learning and life. As your middle school principal, I will continue to seek every opportunity and resource to produce and/or sustain learning experiences that excite and engage our students.

## GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

### FRANCIS J. MCBRIDE, PRINCIPAL

As we write this in January 2007, Goffstown High School’s self-study process for re-accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges is drawing to a close. Nearly all of the reports have been written and approved by the faculty, as we compare ourselves to the seven standards for accreditation.

The re-accreditation process takes place once every ten years. The capstone of the experience will be the visit by a team of 18 teachers and administrators from around New England, who will be at the school from Sunday through Wednesday, March 25-28. Their final report to the school—based on their observations and the self-study results—will determine the school’s accreditation status and help to shape our growth goals for the next ten years. The visiting committee’s report will be released to the community during the summer or early fall of 2007.

We’re approaching the visit with confidence, as our test scores on the state assessments in reading and math (given to 10<sup>th</sup> graders in the spring) continue an improvement trend: students performing at “proficient” and “advanced” continue to increase for five straight years. Strong performance by 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders, who elected to take the nation-wide Advanced Placement examinations, was shown in most of the courses offered. Nearly 100% of students enrolled in the AP courses took the exams. Goffstown now offers Advanced Placement courses in eight subjects. The declining failure rate and drop out rate and the increase in the average daily attendance rate are other indicators of student engagement.

Student engagement is so often related to parent engagement: we continue to work toward supporting and engaging parents in our work at the high school by improving communication. This year we continued the monthly mailed publication of *The GRIZZ*, our parent newsletter; further developed the daily announcements page, which appears at the high school’s website and is updated daily; and began bi-weekly publications of a high school column in *The Goffstown News*. The parent portal of PowerSchool, our student information system, will be up and available by the end of 2007.

We are continuing our work on improving student skills, having implemented a program of sustained silent reading in the fall of 2005 for 9<sup>th</sup> graders. This year

we expanded this program school-wide for all students enrolled in study halls, as we have made literacy skills across the curriculum part of our mission. We hope this program and other efforts will pay off long-term in improved school performance on Scholastic Aptitude and other standardized tests. Our continuing goal is to provide rigorous challenge to all students.

This year as we reshaped our Mission statement to meet NEASC requirements; we added measurable social and civic expectations. Our mission statement is **“Goffstown High School’s mission is to be a caring community of impassioned learners who will thrive in an ever-changing world.”**

Our focus continues to be on preparing students for success and continuous learning in the information age of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



**Goffstown High School Wrestling Team  
2005-2006 Division II State Champions**





# SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROGRAM

## **CURBSIDE PROGRAM:**

- GLASS should be rinsed clean. Clear, brown and green glass is accepted.
- ALUMINUM, TIN and STEEL CANS should be rinsed clean.
- PLASTIC should be rinsed clean. #1 through #7 plastic accepted, containers and bags must be clearly marked with the number and recycling symbol.
- ASEPTIC PACKAGING such as juice boxes and milk cartons should be completely emptied and rinsed if possible.
- CORRUGATED CARDBOARD should be flattened and cut down so that it fits inside the 65 gallon recycling tote.
- MIXED PAPER - junk mail, magazines, newspaper, cereal boxes, office paper, etc. are accepted. Soiled paper products are not accepted.

**Please do not place food waste in the Blue Recycling Tote.**

## **TRANSFER STATION DROP-OFF PROGRAM:**

- TEXTILES should be clean, dry and bagged.
- CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS - painted lumber, windows, doors, asphalt materials, sheet rock, etc. are accepted for a fee.
- ALL DRY CELL (HOUSEHOLD) BATTERIES are accepted.
- WET-CELL BATTERIES such as automotive batteries are accepted, providing the cases are not broken.
- LEAD SINKERS, WASTE OIL, ANTI-FREEZE, FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS are accepted.
- LEAVES must be removed from plastic bags and placed in the compost pile. BRUSH is limited to no larger than 5" in diameter.
- SCRAP METALS such as appliances, bikes, etc. are accepted.
- ELECTRONICS, PROPANE TANKS and TIRES are accepted for a fee.

**Please contact the Transfer Station for a complete listing of fees and acceptable items (497-4824).**

## **TRANSFER STATION SCHEDULE:**

The transfer station is open **Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 am to 3 pm.**

The Transfer Station holiday schedule can be found at the following web link:

<http://www.ci.goffstown.nh.us/dpw/holidays.pdf>.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call 497-4824.



## Glen Lake School

# GOFFSTOWN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

## EMERGENCY

FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE	911 OR 497-3311
POLICE	911 OR 497-2232
POISON CENTER	800-562-8236

### TOWN HALL 497-8990

Admin/Selectmen	Ext...	100	Planning	117
Assessor		112	Sewer	116
Building		114	Tax Collector	110
Finance		104	Town Clerk	107

### TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire (Church St.)	497-3537	Parks & Recreation	497-3003
Fire (E. Goffstown)	497-4655	Police	497-4858
Fire (Pinardville)	622-6713	Public Works	497-3617
Library	497-2102	Transfer Station	497-4824

### SCHOOLS

Bartlett Elementary	623-8088	Goffstown High School	497-4841
Glenn Lake School	497-3550	Administration (SAU#19)	497-4818
Maple Ave. Elem.	497-3330	Mt. View Middle School	497-8288

### VILLAGE DISTRICTS

Goffstown Village Water	497-3621	Grasmere Village Water	497-8346
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