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OLDE TOWNE LANDING

HOUSES

1. Present house owned by Mrs. Phair probably dates in 18th C.
2. Barn of Parsonage - formerly residence of Wm. Odiorne, Shipbuilder.
3. Parsonage - built by Capt. Andrew Lapish Simpson 1837. Capt. Simpson rounded "Horn" 26 times. His widow willed house to Church in 1895.
4. Building located from old photo - probably Langley's - blacksmith shop.
5. Known as Grover's barn. Here pictured as a house.
6. The Grover House, located at entrance to present Ffrost gardens.
7. A fiction - was known as Grover's pig pen, here pictured as a shed attendant to shipyard, an oakum shed.
8. Wilcox house, 1785-89. Known as Yeaton-Gleason house. In 1825 was bought by widow Furnass from Coe for \$300. Her Husband died at 35.
9. Coe's Workshop, known as "Coe's new store", "Coe's workhouse" and later as "slaughter-house". Reconstructed from old photo. Was taken by Ffrost for debt of \$102.36, appraised value \$132.41. Coe also was jailed for Ffrost debt.
10. A fiction based on Travis drawing for Sawyer - probably was a shop for ship building - maybe a fitting shop, where masts were stepped.
11. The Ffrost house - built by Valentine Hill 1649 - has been in Ffrost family since 1800.
12. This house based on cellar hole remembered as home of Mrs. Pinkham.
13. Shed said to be home of negro freeman (few slaves in Durham after Revolution.)
14. Ffrost barn - existing.
15. Ffrost barn - from Travis drawing.
16. Ffrost storage barn located and reconstructed from old foundation and old photo.
17. Ben Thompson's, probably an office or store - a fiction based on Travis drawing.
18. School - a fiction - presupposing a grade school on property called "Schoolhouse lot". Lot was sold by Ffrost to Christian Church 1840 for 2-story Academy.
19. Barn, a fiction located on site of Cook's house.
20. Ebenezer Smith's - a fiction based on Travis drawing and located in relation to existing steps.
21. Reardon's house (no date).
22. Christian Church built 1825, sold at auction 1889. Later site of Durham Grade School. Now residence of Seeley.

MILLS AND STORES

First mill and falls built about 1650 by Valentine Hill.

- A. Jenkins' grist mill and tannery.
- B. Hill's sawmill.
- C. Ffrost's upper store.
- D. Ffrost's lower store.

WHARFS AND SHIPYARDS

George Ffrost petitioned Town to build wharf 1804; one half to be Town Landing (A) the other half to be Ffrost's (B) at the same date he asked to build wharf opposite (C). Shipyards #1, #2, #3 were auctioned off annually at mid-winter Town Meeting. Wharf in foreground is probably site of yard #3 as in 1814, yard #3 was "let to Simpson to build a wharf." 1821 and 1822 shinyards #1 and #2 were auctioned to Joseph Coe for \$8.00 each.

SHIPS

- A. "Schooner Mary Ann, 50 tons, built in 1822 by Joseph Coe for for J. Jenkins of Kittery, W. Mugridge, Samuel Laughton and J. Coe - engaged in coasting trade, condemned 1842."
- B. "Schooner Ann Maria, 56 tons, was built in 1822 by Joseph Coe for Joseph Ayres, A. W. Bell and Joseph Pattern of Portsmouth, before being enrolled, made 5 trips to West Indies."
- C. Gundelows; on left shown unloading typical incoming freight; on right going down - with tide - carrying cordwood for Portsmouth. They vary in length from 40 ft. to 90 ft. "No sails before 1850."
- D. The Packet - for inland waterways, cargo carried below decks. Lantern sail allowed passage under bridges.

This picture is an accurate restoration of the life and activities at the Durham Landing one hundred and fifty years ago, when the stage coach transported passenger and mail, and river craft - gundalows and small vessels - brought freight to and from Portsmouth and points beyond. Some of these vessels sailed to England and the Indies. The post office was in the Ffrost warehouse at the bridge, and below are the Ffrost, Thompson, Smith and Odell stores. The Ffrost (Sawyer) Homestead is on the hill, and nearby are the Durham Academy and the Baptist Church, on the site of the Chapin house. At the bridge on either side of the dam are the grist mill (later Jenkins machine shop) and the Runlett saw mill. The blacksmith shop on the slope beyond has disappeared, as have all the buildings except the Ffrost (Sawyer) and Yeaton (Wilcox) houses. The ship building yards were auctioned off at the annual Town Meetings, and many a gundalow and schooner have been launched from these ways to transport lumber, hay, bricks and granite, the principle products of the Town at this period.

The Sullivan wharf in the foreground, and the two ways at the left, were used by John Sullivan in his own business. Out of the picture and above on the hillside is the Sullivan (Reid) homestead. In front by the roadside is the site of the second and third Meeting Houses. The Winborn Adams (Jenkins) tavern is just across the road.



OLDE TOWNE LANDING

Town Officers and Committees

	Expiration of Term
BUDGET COMMITTEE	
Ronald Clark	1975
Ralph B. Craig, Jr.	1975
William S. Connell	1975
Monica Smith	1975
Henry A. Davis, Chairman	1976
Martha Burton	1976
Harriet C. Kirwan	1976
Malcolm MacGregor, Jr.	1976
Katherine Wheeler	1977
Rebecca B. W. Frost	1977
Kathleen Fleming	1977
William J. Robinson, Jr.	1977
James C. Chamberlin, rep. Selectmen	
BUILDING INSPECTOR	
Sheldon Prescott	
CEMETERY COMMITTEE	
Board of Selectmen	
Trustees of Trust Funds	
CHIEF OF POLICE	
Ray Burrows	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
Oliver P. Wallace, Secretary	1975
Walter W. Cheney, Chairman	1976
Lawrence W. O'Connell	1976
Nancy Sandberg (Resigned Jan., 1975)	1976
Herbert Jackson	1977
Richard Strout	1977
John W. Hatch	1977
Donald Melvin	1977
DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE	
Thomas F. Rankin Director	
John Hersey, Assistant for Procurement	
DISTRICT COURT	
Joseph P. Nadeau, Justice	
Joseph E. Michael, Jr., Special Justice	
Judith Johnson, Clerk	
DURHAM AMBULANCE CORPS	
Donald P. Bliss, President	
DURHAM BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE	
William Chamberlin	Philip A. Wilcox
Charles Clark	Samuel Hoitt
Maryanna Hatch	
DURHAM-UNH INCINERATOR COMMITTEE	
(Sub-Committee of Joint Town-UNH Advisory Committee)	
James C. Chamberlin	
Malcolm J. Chase, Chairman	
Eugene H. Leaver	
W. Kent Martling	

FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE WARDEN
Paul G. Long
Roland LaRoche, Deputy

FIRE COMMISSIONERS
Norman W. Stiles 1975
David A. Flanders 1976
Owen B. Durgin 1977

HEALTH OFFICER
Lawrence W. Slanetz

HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE
Philip A. Wilcox James C. Chamberlin
Mary Alice Marschner Richard Brayton
Malcolm MacGregor, Jr., Chairman Malcolm Neuhoff
Lathrop Merrick
Mary Jane Hall

JOINT TOWN-UNIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

<u>Town</u>	<u>University</u>
James C. Chamberlin	Eugene S. Mills
Malcolm J. Chase	Charles O. Dawson
Owen B. Durgin	David A. Flanders
Lawrence W. O'Connell	R. Kimball Sprague
Alden L. Winn	Eugene H. Leaver
M. Rae Borrer	Norman W. Myers
Lawrence W. Slanetz	Allan Prince
Norman W. Stiles	Richard F. Stevens

KEEPERS OF THE SWANS
Lorus & Margery Milne
Esther Mae Forrest
Howard Forrest

LIBRARIAN
Donald E. Vincent

MODERATOR
Joseph Michael, Jr.

OYSTER RIVER HOME HEALTH ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Linda Gill, Administrative Nurse

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
Charles Burley, rep. Planning Board
Constance Casas, rep. Garden Club
Joseph F. Fleming, rep. Selectmen
Margaret Sumner, rep. Women's Club
Richard Fitts, rep. Boy Scouts
Lawrence O'Connell, rep. Conservation Comm.
Charlotte Collins, rep. Girl Scouts
John Sasner, rep. Selectmen
Robert Barth, rep. Selectmen

PLANNING BOARD

John Cochrane	1975
Rebecca B. W. Frost	1976
M. Rae Borrer, Chairman	1977
Malcolm Neuhoff	1978
Donald W. Melvin	1979
Charles Burley, Secretary	1979
Alden L. Winn, rep. Selectmen	

	Expiration of Term
PORTSMOUTH-KITTERY ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE Clayton Follansbee	
PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Richard S. Davis	1975
Norman W. Stiles	1976
Malcolm J. Chase	1977
REPRESENTATIVE TO SEACOAST REGIONAL ASSOCIATION William D. Clement	
REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT (District No. 4) James Horrigan	
Dudley Dudley	
Everett Sackett	
Shirley Clark	
SELECTMEN Malcolm J. Chase	1975
Owen B. Durgin	1975
James C. Chamberlin	1976
Lawrence W. O'Connell	1976
Alden L. Winn, Chairman	1977
SEWER POLICY COMMITTEE T. Ralph Meyers, (Town), Chairman	1975
Lathrop Merrick (Town)	1976
Eugene H. Leaver (University)	1977
Lawrence W. O'Connell (Town)	1978
Ralph G. Smallidge (University)	1979
STRAFFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION Rebecca B. W. Frost	1975
Nelson LeRay	1977
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN Henry N. LeClair	
SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS George Crombie	
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST Daniel M. Ninde	1976
Anne E. Valenza	1978
Barbara Mullins	
TAX COLLECTOR Linda L. Ekdahl	1975
TOWN CLERK Linda L. Ekdahl	1975
TOWN GROWTH COMMITTEE John Beckett	
William Bonin	
Ralph B. Craig, Jr., Chairman	
Donald Melvin	
Jane Pokoski	
TREASURER James W. Christensen	1975

Expiration
of Term

TREE WARDEN

Douglas Routley

TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Durham - Martin Smith, rep. Selectmen
Mary Alice Marschner

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Montgomery Childs	1975
Philip A. Wilcox	1976
Samuel W. Hoitt	1977

WATER POLICY COMMITTEE

(Sub-Committee of Joint Town-UNH Advisory Committee)
James C. Chamberlin
Eugene H. Leaver
Norman W. Myers
Alden L. Winn

WELFARE OFFICER

Ursula Bowring

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Richard G. Stuttig	1975
Richard Ringrose	1976
Norman W. Stiles, Chairman	1977
Charles Wheeler	1978
Loring V. Tirrell	1979
Charles E. Clark	1979
Mary Alice Marschner	1979

Selectmen's Report

Our 1974 report to the Town is prepared under less stressful conditions than those facing us last year as we prepared for public information meetings and other activities related to the Olympic Refineries proposal. With actions by the Town of Durham and the State Legislature removing the refinery issue, our attention has been focused on the large and small issues of community management.

In this report we shall review our work of the year. Many will be familiar with large sections of this work from press accounts of our Monday evening meetings. We take this opportunity to invite citizens to attend these public meetings which are held at the Durham Town Office.

Secondary sewage treatment, public safety facilities, tennis courts, dam repairs, grease handling facilities, and a skating rink have been some of the major capital programs which we have discussed. A significant amount of our time has also been allocated to the everyday issues, for example, the issuance of building permits, the wide range of activities of the Public Works Department, and the setting of general policy for other Town endeavors, including police and fire protection. We will review some of these capital projects, and offer comments about the ongoing operational activities in the remainder of this report.

The most important capital project for which planning is underway is the secondary sewage treatment facility. We have received the Phase I report from Camp, Dresser and McKee, the consulting engineering firm which we chose to complete the preliminary report on the sewerage system. A public hearing on the Phase I report was held on January 27, 1975. According to present estimates, the cost of the secondary treatment facility will be \$4.9 million. In addition to this estimate, Camp, Dresser and McKee has made preliminary studies and cost estimates of projects which would extend the present sewerage system to cover certain currently unsewered areas. We do not plan any such extensions at this time, but we were required to examine carefully the possibilities of such extensions in the future.

The secondary facility cost is heavily subsidized by the federal and state governments. The total share of this subsidy covers 95 per cent of the facility cost. The remaining five per cent local share will be divided between the Town and the University. The Town will pay one-third of the local share, and the University will pay two-thirds.

Camp, Dresser and McKee has produced secondary treatment facility plans which make maximum use of the existing primary treatment plant. New equipment and processes necessary for secondary treatment will be added to the existing building, and other structures will be built on the site. A model of the proposed facility can be seen at the Town Office.

As this report is written, we have two major concerns about secondary treatment. First, the costs of operating the new system under EPA guidelines appear to be excessive. It is clear that these costs, shared by the Town and University without any state or federal assistance, will be high as a consequence of required close monitoring and testing in a more sophisticated and complicated plant, but we are questioning certain staffing requirements. Our second concern is the disposal of the increased amounts of sludge which will be produced by the secondary treatment process. At this time, we are undertaking a sludge composting experiment under a grant from the state, and it is hoped that the results will indicate the feasibility of sludge disposal on site. If this is not successful, a site for sludge disposal will be developed, and sludge will be trucked to it.

A special subcommittee of the Town-University Committee is currently examining a recommendation for a new fire station to house the Durham-UNH Fire Department. Any proposals forthcoming will be brought before the Town.

At this writing, our proposal for federal funding from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation is pending. We have been discouraged by the unwarranted delays encountered in our efforts to gain state approval for the tennis court project. This approval has now been received, and the application is pending before the appropriate federal officials. We remain hopeful that the tennis courts on Fogg Drive can be built in the near future.

The Town skating rink is functioning on the Jackson land acquired by the Town recently, and a new boat house for the Durham-UNH Rowing Club has just been built on Jackson's Landing by the club. The Mill Pond dam has been rebuilt, and we are very pleased with the results of that work. The Fish and Game Department did an excellent job in the difficult construction required in order to retain the curved face of the dam. The Fish Ladder is not yet complete, but will be worked on in the spring. Finally, the expansion of the water system is proceeding. The pipes connecting the new tank to the current system have been laid, and the base for the new tank has been constructed. It is expected that the tank will be completed this year.

The day to day operations of the Town encompass a wide range of activities. The Public Works efforts, including road building, street maintenance, water, sewers, sewage treatment, incinerator, cemeteries and parks require substantial investments of Town resources. The second major cost in our day to day operations is the public safety function which includes the Durham Police Department and the Durham-UNH Fire Department. We have been pleased to hear favorable citizen comments about the performance of employees in all of these efforts, and we continue to welcome comments at all times.

Finally, we want to thank many persons who have made important contributions to the Town this year. With the absence of Henry LeClair, Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen since November owing to illness, new pressures have been placed on many other Town employees. Many of Mr. LeClair's responsibilities have been assumed by George Crombie, Superintendent of Public Works, and we wish to thank him and all others who have assisted at this time. Henry LeClair is progressing well, and we look forward to his return.

Many citizens have made contributions to the community. Walter Cheney will give the Town the land on Fogg Drive on which we hope to build tennis courts. Mr. T. Ralph Meyers continues to work regularly on a volunteer basis on our sewer and water system. Philip Wilcox devotes large amounts of time to the Town cemeteries, as well as serving as a Trustee of Trust Funds, and Daniel Valenza has supervised the building of three attractive wooden tables for the Selectmen's room at the Town Office.

Others have made contributions to the Town skating rink. Frank Malone donated the labor to build the warming hut, William Robinson contributed his own labor to the installation of lights, and Robert Barth had the hockey nets built and contributed them to the Town. Other members of the Oyster River Youth Association have worked on maintenance and other tasks at the rink. We hope that those who use the rink realize that its operation is supervised by volunteers. The indispensable man at the rink is Bob Barth, whose willingness to accept responsibility for ice maintenance and general supervision is a truly extraordinary contribution.

We also appreciate the assistance of citizens who serve on the committees, commissions and boards of the community. We are especially hopeful that other citizens will come forward to let us know of their interest and qualifications to work with these various agencies. The

community belongs to all of its citizens, and we want to let you know that there are many opportunities to serve it. We will be making many appointments after the Town Meetings, and we hope you will let us know of your willingness to serve.

REVENUE SHARING REPORT

RECEIPTS

Received 7/1/74 - 1/16/75	52,007.00
Estimated Receipts 1/16/75 - 12/31/75	<u>58,095.00</u>
Sub-Total	110,102.00
Interest 7/1/74 - 1/16/75	1,916.00
Estimated Interest 1/16/75 - 12/31/75	<u>2,742.00</u>
Sub-Total	4,658.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS AND INTEREST	\$114,760.32

EXPENDITURES

Budget Allocations 7/1/74 - 12/31/75	Balance 12/31/74
*Town Garage Complex	34,040.00
*Mill Pond Dam	4,298.00
*Dispatch Center Construction	5,000.00
*Fire Alarm System	5,000.00
Welfare	3,885.00
Reduction of 1972 Town Notes	13,800.00
Backhoe Replacement	-0-
Truck Replacement	2,382.00
Town Beautification	1,977.00
Conservation Commission	<u>3,946.00</u>
\$ 147,638.00	\$ 74,328.00
Items Carried Forward from 1973:	<u>50,358.00</u>
Total Committed from 1974-75 Budget:	\$ 97,280.00

*Includes carryover from 1973-74

The Audit Summary

TOWN OF DURHAM
GENERAL FUND
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
AND BUDGET SUMMARY
FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 1974

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

<u>Fund Balance - January 1, 1973</u>		\$ 43,826.98
Tax Collector - Excess Funds		850.10
		<u>850.10</u>
		\$ 44,677.08
Deductions:		
Surplus Used to Reduce Taxes	\$ 30,000.00	
Net Budget Deficit	<u>32,087.33</u>	<u>62,087.33</u>
Fund Balance (Deficit) - June 30, 1974		(\$ <u>17,410.25</u>)

BUDGET SUMMARY

Revenue:		
Estimated	\$ 2,514,254.31	
Actual	<u>2,464,956.56</u>	
Revenue Deficit		\$ 49,297.75
Appropriations:		
Unexpended Balances	\$ 64,760.99	
Overdrafts	<u>47,550.57</u>	
Net Unexpended Balance of Appropriations		\$ <u>17,210.42</u>
Net Budget Deficit		\$ <u>32,087.33</u>

ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION

Board of Selectmen
Durham, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

I have examined the balance sheets of the various funds of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire as of June 30, 1974 and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balances for the eighteen months then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and other such auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire at June 30, 1974 and the results of their operations and changes in fund balances for the eighteen months then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.



Martin J. Hegarty
Certified Public Accountant

September 20, 1974

Budget Committee

At a meeting of the Budget Committee on December 7, 1974, Chairman Davis appointed a subcommittee of members Fleming, Craig, and Connell to study the accounts for the first six months of the current eighteen month fiscal period and to report its findings. The sense of the subcommittee's report, given to the committee at a meeting on January 11, 1975, was as follows:

1. After reviewing the statement of accounts for the first six months of the current 18-month budget period, the subcommittee found that it could not readily compare some of the figures shown with corresponding items in the budget as presented and voted at the 1974 Town Meeting. It was explained that the figures shown reflected the fact that in certain items there were ear-marked funds carried over from the previous accounting period. To reflect these facts, a more detailed report would be necessary and require that more information be acquired by anyone interested in a critical study or summary of the situation. Accordingly, it recommended that the Budget Committee work with others concerned with the accounts toward their improvement so that statements would be more comprehensible and complete and comparisons of them with budget figures could be made more readily.

It was reported that the problem of accounting both expenses and receipts is currently under intensive study by all concerned in the Town Office, with the help and advice of the auditor. The Town invested in a new accounting machine two years ago, and its use to the best advantage is still under study and modification.

2. It was apparent from the amounts of expenses to date that expenses in some accounts would exceed the budget. Typically, the excesses are either for expenses over which we have no control or for expenses for vital services for which the price tags have increased. To stay within the current budget, it will be necessary to reduce expenditures in other accounts. The subcommittee emphasized the importance it attached to this because it believes that an austere budget may well be appropriate for 1976, and that any overexpenditure in the current period would make it all the more difficult to adopt such a budget a year hence. Accordingly, it recommended that a letter (copy included in this report) be sent to all department heads calling their attention to the situation and soliciting their suggestions about how we can adhere to the limits our current budget imposes on us.

3. The subcommittee voted that there are certain items in the current budget, both capital and operating, against which income is included in "Revenue". The Committee recommended that if this revenue is not forthcoming that the expense for which it was planned not be made; also these funds may not be transferred to meet overspending in other items. This will not contribute to any possible surplus, nor will it increase any possible deficit.

4. Pursuant to the law relative to the duties of the Budget Committee, the subcommittee strongly recommended that the Budget Committee meet periodically and receive accounting statements in order that it can keep itself informed and assist the Selectmen in obtaining a "feeling" of the townspeople relative to budgeted affairs of the Town. The Budget Committee decided that it should address itself to the matter of continued support relative to improving forms of accounting and summarizing statements after the 1975 Town Meeting. It was recommended that a subcommittee of the Budget Committee be appointed soon after the 1975 Town Meeting to do this and report to the whole Budget Committee. Particular emphasis to be on:

- (A) Separation of capital and current expenditures in each department, and
- (B) Development of a form which would be easily understood by any Durham citizen without the necessity of detailed explanations.

The Budget Committee authorized its Chairman to send a letter to the head of each department, as suggested in (2) above, stressing the need for operating within department budgets. The letter as sent is included in this report. It is recognized that to keep within the budget, some desirable plans or actions may have to be altered or possibly dropped. This letter sent to the following department heads and committee chairmen: Board of Selectmen, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Public Works Director, Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Parks & Recreation Committee, Welfare Officer is as follows:

The Budget Committee has just reviewed the expense payments during the first six months of the current eighteen month fiscal period. Because of inflation and perhaps other reasons, it appears that the expenses in several of the accounts will exceed the amounts budgeted for them, in some cases substantially. In order to keep total expenses within the total budget, it is evident that expenses in other accounts must be kept below the amounts budgeted for them even though this necessarily implies some reduction in services.

For this reason, we ask that you review the six months expense and eighteen month budget figures for your department and report your findings to us, with a copy to the Board of Selectmen, by February 15, 1975. We ask that you identify the accounts in which you believe expenses will exceed budgeted amounts and that you suggest what can be done to make corresponding reductions in expenses in other accounts, in both cases estimating the amounts of money involved.

May we stress the fact that we attach a great deal of importance to this. In the brief period since the current budget was adopted, we have gone from a time of relative prosperity to one in which belt tightening is essential, and the outlook seems to us to be that things will get worse before they get better.

It is the opinion of the Budget Committee that there should be no increase in the budgeted rate of expense for 1976 over the current rate, and that it may even be necessary to operate the Town at an even lower rate of expense. Failure to keep well within the current budget would seriously aggravate what are already bound to be trying times for Durham.

(signed) Henry A. Davis, Chairman

This report was adopted unanimously by the Budget Committee.

Town of Durham Budget Committee



Mill Pond Dam before Reconstruction

Town Treasurer

I. GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1973 \$ 630,899.57

RECEIPTS:

LOCAL SOURCES:

Received from Tax Collector:

Property Taxes, 1972	\$ 112,765.93
Property Taxes, 1973	1,547,427.28
Property Taxes, 1974	511.80
Resident Taxes, 1972	3,150.00
Resident Taxes, 1973	21,820.00
Resident Tax Penalties	668.00
Interest	6,466.31
National Bank Stock	368.02
Sewer Entry	1,737.50
Tax Sales Redeemed	3,280.35
Yield Taxes	2,378.52
Miscellaneous	<u>246.72</u>

Total Receipts, Tax Collector 1,700,820.43

Received from Town Clerk:

Certificate of Title Fees	1,602.00
Copies of Vital Statistics	206.00
Dog Licenses	2,178.50
Filing Fees	22.00
Marriage Licenses	205.00
Motor Vehicle Permits, 1972	1,199.78
Motor Vehicle Permits, 1973	59,232.28
Motor Vehicle Permits, 1974	45,761.34
Theatre License	75.00
U.C.C. Discharge Fees	13.00
U.C.C. Filing Fees	167.00
Miscellaneous	<u>36.00</u>

Total Receipts, Town Clerk 110,697.90

Durham Sewer and Water Departments:

Sewer Maintenance - Contra Payroll	44,609.60
Water Department - Contra Payroll	<u>12,139.07</u>

Total Receipts, Durham Sewer and Water Departments 56,748.67

Miscellaneous Sources:

Building Permits	3,128.65
Conservation Commission	750.00
District Court	28,118.59
Durham Ambulance Corps	3,209.60
Interest on Certificates of Deposit	6,426.11
Parking Permits and Tickets	11,253.00
Pistol Permits	36.00
Sale of Jackson House	44,400.00
Sale of Town Property	346.37
Septic Tank Inspection Fees	360.00

Sewer Bond, 1964 Issue,		
Withdrew unused Bank Balance	1,266.90	
Sewer Entry Fees	9,850.00	
Site Review Fees	230.00	
Subdivision Fees	178.00	
Reimbursements:		
Cemetery	1,496.00	
Durham Ambulance Corps	300.00	
Highway Maintenance Supplies	1,496.69	
Highway Safety Act - Purchase of New Ambulance	7,756.45	
Mill Road Park Improvement	1,000.00	
Police Expense	1,477.68	
School District Payments	964.02	
Strafford Ave. Construction - Contra	5,496.58	
Town Road Aid	10,044.38	
Trust Funds for Payloader	18,000.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>635.38</u>	
Total Receipts, Miscellaneous Sources		<u>158,220.40</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL SOURCES		\$2,026,487.40
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:		
Business Profits Tax	\$ 41,822.40	
Gasoline Tax	56,074.39	
Governor's Commission on Crime	6,381.00	
Interest and Dividends Tax	47,821.54	
Road Toll Refunds	4,920.16	
Rooms and Meals Tax	27,903.69	
Savings Bank Tax	8,178.87	
Water Pollution, Project No. C-29	28,395.00	
Water Pollution, Project No. C-51	15,124.00	
Water Pollution, Project No. R-7	2,548.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>11.52</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS, STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE		239,180.57
UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE		
Incinerator Expenses	23,224.01	
Police Department - Contra Payroll	16,659.39	
Sewer Bond, 1964 Issue	12,867.72	
Miscellaneous	<u>318.23</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS, UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE		<u>53,069.35</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL ABOVE SOURCES		\$2,318,737.32
BORROWING:		
Notes Payable - Purchase of Jackson Property	78,000.00	
Notes Payable - Tax Anticipation	<u>720,000.00</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS, BORROWING		<u>798,000.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL, ALL RECEIPTS		<u>\$3,116,737.32</u>
TOTAL, ALL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE		\$3,747,636.89
PAID OUT ON SELECTMEN'S ORDER		<u>3,709,105.93</u>
BALANCE, GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT, JUNE 30, 1974		<u>\$ 38,530.96</u>

II. FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1973		\$ 32,344.00
Receipts:		
United States Treasury Department	\$ 107,520.00	
Interest on Certificates of Deposit	<u>2,759.42</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>110,279.42</u>
Total Receipts and Beginning Balance		\$ 142,623.42
Paid Out on Selectmen's Order		<u>82,966.86</u>
Balance, Federal Revenue Sharing Account, June 30, 1974		\$ <u><u>59,656.56*</u></u>

*Includes \$50,000.00 invested in short term Certificates of Deposit.

III. SEWER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1973		\$ 4,043.30
Receipts:		
Sewer Maintenance	\$ 38,327.74	
Sewer Maintenance, Univ. of N. H.	43,750.59	
Collection of Loan to Grease Handling Facilities Project	100.00	
Interest	41.50	
Sewer Entry Fees	3,302.75	
Miscellaneous	<u>226.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>85,748.58</u>
Total Receipts and Beginning Balance		\$ 89,791.88
Paid Out on Selectmen's Order		<u>89,098.25</u>
Balance, Sewer Maintenance Account, June 30, 1974		\$ <u><u>693.63</u></u>

IV. GREASE HANDLING FACILITIES PROJECT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1973		\$ 81,865.90
Receipts:		
E.P.A. Construction Grant	\$ 50,900.00	
Interest on Certificates of Deposit	4,225.62	
Loan from Sewer Maintenance Account	<u>100.00</u>	
Total Receipts and Borrowing		<u>55,225.62</u>
Total Receipts and Beginning Balance		\$ 137,091.52
Paid Out on Selectmen's Order		<u>66,601.18</u>
Balance, Grease Handling Facilities Project Account, June 30, 1974		\$ <u><u>70,490.34*</u></u>

*Includes \$70,000.00 invested in short term Certificate of Deposit.

V. WATER DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT

Balance, Durham Trust Co. Account, January 1, 1973		\$ 19,464.93
Receipts:		
Sale of Water	\$ 58,336.73	
Sale of Water Pipes	1,377.00	
Hydrant Rental	7,100.00	
Interest on Certificates of Deposit	770.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>680.93</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>68,264.66</u>
Total Receipts and Beginning Balance		\$ 87,729.59
Paid Out on Selectmen's Order		<u>87,636.88</u>
Balance, Water Dept. Account, June 30, 1974		\$ 92.71
Water Department Savings Account:		
Balance on Hand, January 1, 1973	\$ 1,747.63	
Dividends Received	<u>142.11</u>	
Balance, Water Dept. Savings Account, June 30, 1974		<u>1,889.74</u>
Total Water Department Funds, June 30, 1974		\$ <u><u>1,982.45</u></u>

VI. WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT (NEW)

Receipts:		
Water Construction Bonds, Advance Payment	\$ 50,000.00	
Interest on Bond Advance Proceeds	<u>102.08</u>	
Total Receipts		\$ 50,102.08
Paid Out on Selectmen's Order		<u>36,069.67</u>
Balance, Water Construction Account, June 30, 1974		\$ <u><u>14,032.41</u></u>

James W. Christensen

James W. Christensen, Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

Parcels of Property - 1,560

RECEIPTS

Property Taxes - 1974	\$ 511.80
Property Taxes - 1973	1,547,427.28
Property Taxes - 1972	112,765.93
Interest	6,448.00
Resident Taxes - 1973	21,820.00
Resident Taxes - 1972	3,150.00
Penalties	668.00
Sewer Entrance Fees - 1974	105.00
Sewer Entrance Fees - 1973	1,467.50
Sewer Entrance Fees - 1972	165.00
Sewer Maintenance Charges - 1974	9,913.99
Sewer Maintenance Charges - 1973	26,901.75
Sewer Maintenance Charges - 1972	1,522.80
Sewer Interest	30.70
Yield Taxes - 1974	2,139.48
Yield Taxes - 1973	24.00
Yield Taxes - 1972	215.04
Interest on Yield Taxes	18.31
National Bank Stock Taxes - 1974	123.40
National Bank Stock Taxes - 1973	244.62
Tax Sales Redeemed	2,987.47
Interest on Tax Sales Redeemed	292.88
Excess Funds	246.72

Total Receipts

\$1,739,189.67

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Resident Taxes - 1973	\$ 1,770.00
Property Taxes - 1973	46,508.56
Property Taxes - 1973-1974 (Unbilled)	163,034.06
Yield Taxes - 1974	21.36
National Bank Stock Taxes - 1974	224.22

Total Uncollected 6/30/74

\$211,558.20

Linda L. Ekdahl

Tax Collector

Town Clerk

Motor Vehicle Permits - 1974	\$ 45,761.34	6,681 Cars Registered
Motor Vehicle Permits - 1973	59,232.28	
Motor Vehicle Permits - 1972	1,199.78	896 Dogs Registered
Certificate of Title Fees	1,602.00	
Marriage Licenses	205.00	
Copies of Vital Statistics	206.00	
U.C.C. Recording Fees	167.00	
U.C.C. Discharge Fees	13.00	
Dog Licenses	2,178.50	
Miscellaneous	133.00	

Total Receipts

\$110,697.90

Linda L. Ekdahl
Town Clerk

Comparative Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation

Year Percent of Valuation	1969 100	1970 100	1971 92	1972 92	1973-74 81	1974-75 81
Land and Buildings	\$30,327,100	\$31,763,550	\$33,057,020	\$34,309,830	\$36,256,535	\$37,360,625
Electric Property	852,150	888,150	889,950	889,950	960,850	999,250
Cows	17,600	0	0	0	0	0
Fowls	3,450	0	0	0	0	0
Portable Mills--Road Machinery	16,880	0	0	0	0	0
Boats and Launches	10,475	10,950	9,600	13,575	13,900	18,250
Wood and Lumber	1,320	0	0	0	0	0
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	10,500	0	0	0	0	0
Stock-in-Trade	522,150	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	\$31,761,625	\$32,662,650	\$33,956,570	\$35,213,355	\$37,231,285	\$38,378,125
Elderly and Blind Exemptions	6,350	50,000	61,800	71,000	61,750	58,600
Total for Taxation	\$31,755,275	\$32,612,650	\$33,894,770	\$35,142,355	\$37,169,535	\$38,319,525

Tax Rate

	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
Town	8.70	10.70	7.50	9.40	8.80 (a)	10.70 (b)	12.70 (c)
School	28.00	31.10	35.40	33.50	32.40	33.40	(d)
County	1.70	1.90	2.30	2.30	2.20	2.30	(d)
Total	38.40	43.70	45.20	45.20	43.40	46.40	

(a) 2/3 of 1973-74 18-Mo. Tax Rate
 (b) 1/3 of 1973-74 18-Mo. Tax Rate (4.40)
 (c) 2/3 of 1974-75 18-Mo. Tax Rate
 (d) To be determined in 1975

1/3 of 1974-75 18-Mo. Tax Rate (6.30)

Statement of

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ISSUED</u>	<u>TOTAL ISSUE</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>TERMINAL DATE</u>
Sewer Bonds	9/1/64	1,000,000.00	3.0%	9/1/84
Incinerator & Site Notes	5/8/67	86,000.00	4.0%	12/1/77
Incinerator Equipment Notes	12/1/72	31,000.00	3.5%	12/1/76
College Brook Interceptor Notes	12/30/68	150,000.00	4.0%	12/1/83
Town Office Facilities Notes	4/3/72	32,000.00	3.5%	12/1/76
Grease Handling Facilities Notes	12/29/72	83,000.00	4.0%	12/1/86

As of December 31, 1974



Crommet Creek Reconditioning Completed

Bonded Debt

PRINCIPAL			INTEREST		TOTAL BALANCE PAYABLE ON ISSUE
PAID IN 1974	DUE IN 1975	BALANCE DUE	PAID IN 1974	DUE IN 1975	
50,000.00	50,000.00	450,000.00	16,500.00	15,000.00	68,000.00
8,600.00	8,600.00	17,200.00	1,376.00	1,032.00	1,032.00
6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	651.00	434.00	217.00
10,000.00	10,000.00	80,000.00	4,000.00	3,600.00	14,400.00
6,400.00	6,400.00	6,400.00	672.00	448.00	224.00
5,533.34	5,533.33	60,866.67	2,877.33	2,656.00	14,608.00



New Drainage for Bay View Road

Public Works Advisory Committee

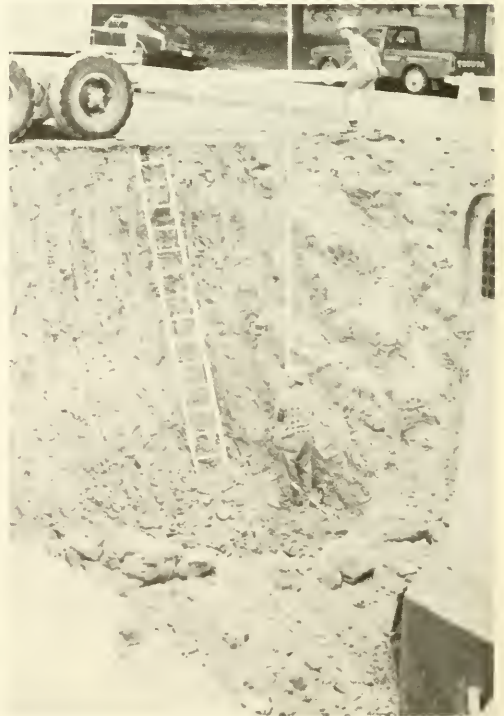
The Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of Public Works have consulted with the Public Works Advisory Committee extensively during the past year on matters involving the operation of the Public Works Department, the acquisition of major pieces of equipment and the development of priorities for the maintenance and reconstruction of town facilities including roads, sewers, and water. This Committee participated on the development of specifications for two new dump trucks and was involved in the selection and recommendation to the Selectmen of the final award of the contract for two GMC dump trucks. We were involved extensively in planning for a new maintenance yard and with the needed developments of the present yard.

The Public Works Advisory Committee assisted with the development of a format for the presentation of the public works program to the Board of Selectmen and has reviewed and recommended to the Selectmen a Public Works Program for submission to the 1975 Town Meeting.

Malcolm J. Chase
Richard S. Davis, Chairman
Norman W. Stiles



Public Works Director George Crombie
Inspects Properly Constructed Manhole



Excavation for the new 10,000 gallon
Gas Tank presently in use



Reconstruction of Thompson Lane

Public Works Department

The Durham Highway Department continued through 1974 to upgrade the Department to provide the citizens of Durham with a good functional and accountable program.

The Department had some significant improvements to equipment during 1974. A Massey Ferguson backhoe was purchased, and this will provide a tool for all trench excavation for water, sewer and drainage work. Two new dump trucks were added to the fleet. Careful consideration went into writing specifications to purchase trucks best suited for the type of work being done. Other new purchases were a cement mixer, steam cleaner, and sidewalk sander. Maintenance during the winter consisted of painting all of our trucks OSHA yellow for high visibility. The hoods were painted a dull black to cut the eyestrain of the drivers. At this time, the equipment is in very good condition.

A number of construction projects were completed this past summer. Eight miles of roads were shimmed and sealed. One thousand feet of roadway on Thompson Lane was reconstructed through TRA funds. Dame Road was widened, with removal of a significant amount of ledge. Bay View Road received new underdrainage and a pavement overlay. The bridge at Crommet Creek was sandblasted, patched and painted. Both approaches to the bridge were rock rip-rapped. Three hundred feet of sidewalk was reconstructed on Madbury Road. The radii along Pettee Brook Lane were widened and drainage installed. Mr. Niemi displayed his talent once again in providing the Town with another 280 feet of beautiful stone wall along Pettee Brook Lane. The Highway Department loaned men and equipment to the Water Department, installing 2,000 feet of water pipe on Emerson Road, Maple Street and Meadow Road. Other projects were the installation of a new 10,000 gallon gasoline tank, catch basins on Pinecrest Lane, and paving of sidewalks on sections of Mill Road and Strafford Avenue.

Constant functions of the Department consisted of weekly patching, snow removal, refuse collection, equipment maintenance and cleaning, street sweeping, sand screening, and crosswalk painting.

Major improvements this past year to the program included the reduction of the refuse collection personnel from three to two men, improvement of the snow removal program and a further cutback in salting, installation of a preventive maintenance program on all equipment, upgrading of our safety program, and installation of a cost analysis system on all projects and equipment in order to better evaluate our total cost.

It is the goal of the Highway Department to provide the best possible program within available funds, and to provide an accountable program to all citizens in the Town of Durham.



Rudy Niemi Loading Holes in Preparation for a Blast

INCINERATOR

Over the past year there were a number of improvements and modifications made in operation and maintenance of the Incinerator, with both the Town and University contributing substantially.

After a careful look at the maintenance the conclusion was that a great deal of this work could be done by the Operator of the plant. Until this time the University did all maintenance while the Town was responsible for the operation of the plant. It was determined that a majority of the daily maintenance could be done by the Operator of the plant with the University providing specialty skills when needed. Through a joint effort, plant shutdowns are being scheduled with Town-University coordination to maintain the plant. Maintenance included new duct work on the I.D. fan, sandblasting and painting of scrubber and the I.D. fan, modifications to the ash ram and pumps to cut down cycling, new stoker plates in the furnace, and repair of brickwork in the furnace, along with a number of other maintenance items. A new storage facility for parts was also built.

There has been considerable improvement in the overall operation of the Incinerator. A new man was added for six months through a federally funded program, and this has relieved the Operator to do more maintenance and operate the plant more efficiently. All employees were trained not only in plant operation but also in understanding its capacity and the functions that regulate good burning practices. We have been able to make a significant decrease in propane gas used, better projections of time needed to burn certain materials, and have decreased maintenance that resulted from overloading of the plant.

In this day when many small towns are receiving notices to discontinue open burning and give up dump sites for new areas, the Town of Durham is in a very good position. Through a joint effort over the years, the Town and University have developed a very sound way to eliminate solid waste. In 1975 we may be recycling metal material, and we will define our goals and consider the possibility of enlarging our facilities in the future. It is the feeling of all concerned that the problems and resulting modifications made to the plant in the past have been worthwhile as we find we are on the right track in disposal of solid waste.



Vandalism at Incinerator

Water Department

A number of major projects were completed and others started during 1974. Construction began on the new four million gallon standpipe. The construction should be completed by the summer of 1975. This new standpipe will improve fire flow as well as hold pressure fairly constant throughout the system. Along with this project, a new 12 inch main was constructed from the new tank to the Oyster River Bridge on Mill Road. It is planned to continue this 12 inch line up Mill Road in stages and replace the existing six inch line in order to improve the fire flow throughout the Downtown area.

A new 8 inch water main on Emerson Road was installed between Edgewood Extension and Madbury Road. This extension has improved fire flow and resulted in improved constant water pressure through this area of Town. A new 8 inch main was also constructed on Maple and Meadow Roads to replace an old 1-1/2 inch galvanized line. All water users were tied into the new system, thus substantially increasing the flow, and further added a new hydrant for fire protection in this area.

Improvements scheduled for this year include Stage I of the Mill Road project to McDaniel Drive, and looping in of Main Street and Ballard Street.

We began doing most of our water works maintenance "in house" this year rather than hiring the work out, as we have in the past. Along with his sign work, Mr. Fogg has taken over the job of most of the water maintenance. Some of our 1975 projects include raising all hydrants to standard height, and establishing a 15-year meter program. Currently, we have approximately twelve different types of meters in the system. We would like to standardize all meters. We have also begun an inventory of all repair products, along with a tapping machine for house services, and hope to place all valves and house services on a permanent map at the Town Office in the near future.

Town Beautification

During the past year a great deal of time went into work on the 50 or more Town cemeteries. This work consisted of trimming brush, restoring stones, fixing fences, cutting grass and brush. The other areas of work were at the Town Landing, Oyster River Park, the Tot Lot, and small grass areas in the Downtown area. Some 750 manhours went into this program.

As for this year, the Durham Public Works Department is planning a very strong program in the area of Town Beautification. The consensus of the Board of Selectmen is that priorities be shifted and a beautification program for the Downtown area be implemented in the spring of 1975. The Town has engaged the part-time services of a student from the Thompson School of Applied Sciences to incorporate a planting scheme in the Downtown area. As a result, the Town will be able to look forward to many annual flower plantings as well as to the upgrading of existing parks. Mr. Douglas Routley, Tree Warden, is also cooperating with the Town in a tree planting program.

It is hoped that we will see a display of colorful plantings in the Downtown area this spring.

Durham Public Library

	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>
Volumes in University Library	636,445	677,777
Number of Periodicals	5,008	5,195
DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY		
Children's Books added	529	666
Youth Books added	13	202
Adult Books added	28	140
Discards	-435	-447
Total Collection	<u>13,358</u>	<u>13,919</u>
Circulation		
Children's Books	33,079	27,355
Youth Books	5,314	5,013
Total	<u>38,393</u>	<u>32,368</u>
Registration		
Resident Adults	1,488	1,659
ORSD Children	1,546	1,568
Total	<u>3,034</u>	<u>3,227</u>

Donald E. Vincent
Donald E. Vincent, Librarian



BROWSING AND CHILDREN'S ROOMS

A growing collection and numerous and varied activities have continued to improve and enliven the Children's Room.

The number of cassettes is increasing; they are much-used and enjoyed by the children. We have added some cassettes which have been reproduced, with library equipment, from newly purchased recordings. In this way, we are able to increase the number of cassettes at a reduced cost. The paper-back collection has been increased approximately threefold, and is being heavily used.

We have exchanged ideas and discussed new books and various aspects of working with children in meetings with Oyster River school librarians and with children's and young adult librarians in the New England region.

Several Oyster River classes visit the Children's Room regularly for stories and library research. In addition, a number of other groups, such as day care centers, make occasional use of the library. After school, on weekends and during vacations, the library is heavily used by Durham children for recreational reading and school work.

Our story hours and film programs continue to be well-attended. We have used our free film sources for so long that it is difficult to find something new; funds for renting films would infuse new life into the program.

Beginning in September, the children's librarians assumed the responsibility of selecting books for and improving the organization of the Browsing Room. To help patrons find books easily, labels are being attached to certain types of books, such as mysteries and science fiction; shelves are being labeled to show which subjects are included in each section. Books of special appeal to young adults are being added to the Browsing Collection; Youth fiction books have been moved from the Children's Room to the Browsing Room. Patrons are encouraged to make suggestions for the purchase of new books.

Jeanne Sawyer joined the staff in May, 1974, replacing Bonnie Roelof, who has moved to Maryland.

Margaret Chasteen
Margaret Chasteen, Children's Librarian

Jeanne Sawyer
Jeanne Sawyer, Children's Librarian



Durham District Court

REPORT OF THE DURHAM DISTRICT COURT January 1 to December 31, 1974

TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS	2270	
Misdemeanors and violations	2245	
Felonies	<u>25</u>	
	<u>2270</u>	
Motor vehicle - violation of town ordinances		40
Motor vehicle - violation of state statutes		1851
D.W.I.		124
Possession of narcotics in motor vehicle		1
Loaded pistol in motor vehicle		1
Failure to answer summons		11
Concealment of merchandise		26
Drug violations		27
Intoxication		14
Possession of alcohol		4
License required		1
Contributing to delinquency of minor		8
Sales to minor		1
Assault		18
Aggravated assault		4
Disorderly conduct		28
Criminal mischief		13
Criminal trespass		14
Criminal threatening		4
Malicious mischief		1
Theft by unauthorized taking		20
Regulation of dogs		25
Indecent exposure		4
Resisting arrest		4
False public alarm		1
Failure to identify		1
Unauthorized use of motor vehicle		2
Fish and game violations		4
Declaring woodlands closed		1
Littering		1
Theft		8
Theft of services		1
Theft by deception		2
Burglary		3
Operation of motor vehicle by habitual offender		1
Receiving stolen property		1

In addition to the above cases, there were 18 cases entered but not yet heard.

There were also 29 small claims cases and 9 civil cases.

DISPOSITION OF CASES

Plead guilty	1478	Found guilty	2005
Plead nolo	359	Found not guilty	35
Plead not guilty	252	Dismissed	14
No plea entered	14	Placed on file	17
		Default	77
		Nol pros	91
		Appealed	75
		Failed to perfect appeal	13
Probable cause found - transferred to Superior Court			15

Balance on hand, January 1, 1974	\$ 100.00
RECEIPTS 1974	
Fines	53,960.00
Small claims fees	72.50
Civil writ entry fees	35.00
Civil writ forms	25.60
	<u>\$54,193.10</u>

DISBURSEMENTS 1974	
Town of Durham	\$20,774.32
Department of Safety	22,951.91
Fish and Game Department	48.00
Public Utilities Commission	4.00
Witness and breathalyzer fees	4,279.02
Court expenses	6,035.85
	<u>\$54,093.10</u>
Cash on hand January 1, 1975	100.00
	<u>\$54,193.10</u>

JUDITH JOHNSON, CLERK
DURHAM DISTRICT COURT

Police Department

The year, 1974, produced a number of changes for the Police Department. The early months started off with the active participation of the department in the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council educational programs held at the New Hampshire Technical College, Concord, New Hampshire, and the Portsmouth Vocational-Technical School, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

During the month of February, we were able to send three officers to the Criminal Investigation Seminars; and in March and April, four special officers attended the Special Officers' Part-Time Officer's Training Seminar. In the latter part of April, five of our officers attended the Organized Crime Seminar. During May and June, four officers attended the Traffic Investigation and Drunk Driver Seminar. June was also a very busy academic month, with officers able to attend the Advanced Officers' School - Class #4, Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Seminar, and the two-week Accident Investigation School, conducted by the staff of the Northwestern University. Upon the conclusion of this school for 1974, this department now has four graduates; namely, Lt. Robert C. Hollis, Jr., Lt. Leslie Jewell, Sr., and Officers Albert Gilbert and Arthur Hendrickson.

July and August activities slowed down with vacations and the summer duty programs, but, in September, the fall academic year started and a number of the officers participated in the St. Anselm's College Associate Science Degree Program offered at the Dover High School, Dover, New Hampshire.

At the writing of this report, officers are now enrolled in the second semester to commence January 15, 1975, to April 17, 1975. Courses to be presented are Administration of Justice, Criminal Investigation, American History, and State and Local Government.

1974 saw Chief Ray Burrows become the President of the New Hampshire Chiefs of Police Association for the 1974-1975 year; Lt. Ronald E. McGowen left the department to become Chief of Police for the University of New Hampshire; Sgt. Robert C. Hollis, Jr. and Sgt. Leslie Jewell, Sr. were both promoted to Lieutenants (Lt. Jewell being appointed Lieutenant-Juvenile Officer); and Kenneth Laderbush was promoted to Sergeant.

Officer William Ennis was hired as a new patrolman. Officer Ennis is a Certified Police Officer, and was previously employed by the City of Rochester Police Department.

1974 produced 1,029 moving motor vehicle violations, of which 37.7%, 388 violators, were arrested for speeding; 62.3%, 641 violators, were arrested for "other" moving violations; and 11.6%, 119 violators, were arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. The year also produced 140 accidents, of which 37.9%, 53 people, sustained personal injuries and 2.2%, 3 people, died on our roads.

The Department purchased a new "moving radar" and put it into full use in August, 1974. The 388 speeding violation arrests made for 1974 shows that 277 arrests were made with the new radar unit on patrol - a 71.4% increase over the previous seven months.

It is a fact that speeding violations are directly related to accidents. It is strongly felt that, by our determination to reduce speeding cases by apprehension and court action, we have also reduced the potential accident hazard, including the number of people injured and killed, therefore making our roads safer for travel.

The Durham Police Department looks forward in 1975 to serving our community with the most efficient organization that we can produce. We have an open-door policy and we ask your support and understanding as 1975 progresses.

1974 ACTIVITY REPORT

	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>
Parking Violations	6832	3817
Buildings Checked	696	789
Traffic Investigations	1215	779
Defective Equipment Tags	185	129
Aid Rendered to Citizens	3644	4280
Accidents Covered	163	140
Motor Vehicle Arrests Made	100	97
Criminal Arrests Made	200	157
Summonses to Court Issued	768	870
Motor Vehicle Warnings Issued	264	258
Citizen Complaints Answered	796	863
Aid Rendered to Other Agencies	1124	1100
Criminal Investigations Conducted	443	639
Animals Destroyed on Highways	6	3
Miscellaneous Calls	<u>253</u>	<u>118</u>
	16689	14039

1974 ACCIDENTS COVERED

1974 CRIMINAL ARRESTS

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
One Car	55	Concealment of Merchandise	27
Two Car	72	Shoplifting - Juveniles	12
Three Car	4	Assault	9
Motorcycle	2	Operating Under Influence of Drugs	1
Other	<u>7</u>	Disorderly Conduct	15
	140	Intoxication	5
Injuries	53	Possession of Stolen Property	4
Deaths	3	Taking Without Authority	1
		Default	6
		Criminal Mischief	10
		Disorderly Conduct - Juveniles	1
		Burglary - Juveniles	3
		Aggravated Assault	3
		Contributing to Delinquency of Minor	1
		Theft by Unauthorized Taking	7
		Criminal Mischief - Juveniles	3
		Truancy - Juveniles	3
		Failure to Identify Oneself	1
		Resisting Arrest	2
		Possession of a Controlled Drug	4
		Selling Beer Without a License	1
		Indecent Exposure	1
		Criminal Trespass	2
		Theft by Deception	2
		Drinking in Public	1
		Criminal Trespass - Juveniles	4
		Criminal Threatening	4
		Conduct After an Accident	1
		Harrassment - Juveniles	6
		Motor Vehicle Violations - Juveniles	5
		Sales to a Minor - Alcohol	1
		Theft - Juveniles	5
		Accessory to Crime - Juvenile	1
		Drunk and Disorderly	1
		Derisive Words	1

1974 MOTOR VEHICLE ARRESTS

Driving While Intoxicated	61
Operating After Suspension	2
Operating After Revocation	6
Leaving Accident Scene	1
Failure to Keep Right	3
Failure to Yield to Traffic	1
Improper Turning	2
Operating Without a License	3
Unregistered Motor Vehicle	1
Misuse of Plates	1
Reckless Operation	2
Failure to Reduce Speed on a Curve	2
Possession of Controlled Drug	1
Operating Motor Vehicle Under Drugs	1
Operating Motorcycle without Baffles	1
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way	2
Town Parking Regulations	1
Failure to Answer Summons	1
Allowing Unlicensed Person to Operate	1
Transportation of Narcotic Drugs	1
Passing a School Bus	1
Unsafe Tires	1
Turning on a Hill	<u>1</u>

(Continued) 1974 CRIMINAL ARRESTS

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Issuing Bad Checks	1
Wayward Child - Juvenile	<u>1</u>
	157

1974 SUMMONSES ISSUED

Non-Inspection	203
Speed	396
Stop Sign	25
Unattended Motor Vehicle	18
One-Way Street - Motor Vehicles	40
Operating After Revocation	3
Unregistered Motor Vehicle	56
Operating Without a License	14
Restricted Night Parking	2
Driving on the Sidewalk	3
Unsafe Tires	12
Solid Line	11
Intoxication	5
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way	1
Regulation of Dogs	20
Town Parking Regulations	6
Misuse of Plates	8
One-Way Street - Bicycles	5
Operating Without Glasses	2
Operating Without Motorcycle License	6
Operating Without Headlights	3
Allowing Unregistered Motor Vehicle to be Operated	1
Failure to Yield to Traffic	1
Towing Unregistered Motor Vehicle	1
Operating Motorcycle Without Protective Lenses	1
Drinking in Public	2
Illegal Possession of Alcohol	2
Derisive Words	1
Passing on the Right	1
Disturbance	3
Other Moving Violations	<u>18</u>
	870

1974 COMPLAINTS ANSWERED

Miscellaneous Complaints	73
Motor Vehicle Violations	46
Criminal Mischief	130
Burglary	25
Grand Larceny	4
Disorderly Conduct	9
Disturbances	102
Animal Complaints	52
Assault	11
Fraudulent Checks	16
Harrassment	1
Theft by Unauthorized Taking	95
Annoying Phone Calls	14

(Continued) 1974 COMPLAINTS ANSWERED

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>
Intoxication	5
Possible Burglary	10
Drugs	4
Lost or Stolen Plates	5
Stolen Motor Vehicles	7
Concealment of Merchandise	7
Mentally Disturbed Person	8
Family Problems	13
Prowlers or Suspicious Persons	52
Indecent Exposure and Lewdness	5
Runaway - Juveniles	2
Disorderly Person	5
Missing Persons	12
Abandoned Vehicles	8
Suspicious Vehicles	12
Criminal Trespass	11
Derisive Words	2
Lost Personal Property	6
Shoplifters - Juveniles	2
Defrauding an Innkeeper	1
Attempted Larceny	4
Juvenile Problems	4
Civil Matters	4
Recovered Property	19
Stolen Bicycles	11
Disobeying a Police Officer	1
Criminal Mischief - Juveniles	1
Truancy	1
Request for Medical Aid	4
Theft of Services	1
Bomb Threats	4
Alarm Sounding	12
Mini-Bikes	4
Criminal Threatening	2
Passing School Bus	2
Mail Vandalism	1
Hit & Run Accidents	3
Hunting Complaints	3
Health Hazard	1
Possible Arson of Motor Vehicle	1
Dumping Refuse on Property	3
Discharging Shotgun	1
Drug Overdose	1
Nuisance Complaints	16
Attempted Breaking and Entering	<u>2</u>
	863

1974 JUVENILE REPORT

The Juvenile Annual Report relates only those crimes where the juvenile offender was known, apprehended, and processed, and does not include unsolved crimes where juveniles were involved.

A number of juvenile cases involved warnings, with parents being notified, warnings after hearings with parents, and juveniles released in the custody of parents for disciplinary action. The Juvenile Court was used only after other remedies had been exhausted.

Juvenile Offenses	123
Juveniles Involved	117
Juvenile Court Hearings	15
Juvenile Court Delinquent Cases	85
Juvenile Court Neglected Cases	0
Juvenile Cases Referred to Other Authorities	15
Juveniles Referred to the Youth Development Center	1

Breakdown of Juvenile Cases

Disorderly Conduct	32
Malicious Damage	14
Alcohol Violations	13
Runaways	13
Larceny	10
Shoplifting	9
Trespassing	5
Drug Violations	4
Motor Vehicle Violations	4
Truancy from School	4
Violation of Probation	3
Burglaries	3
Assaults	2
Using Motor Vehicle Without Authority	2
Illegal Possession of Firearms	2
Morals Violations and Victims	1
Suspicious Activities	1
Accidental Shooting	1
	<u>123</u>

Breakdown of Juvenile Offenses

- (1) W/M, 14 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (2) W/M, 13 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (3) W/F, 17 years - violation of probation - Turned Over to Other Authorities.
- (4) W/F, 14 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Warned.
- (5) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Warned - Conference - Returned to Parents.
- (6) W/M, 15 years - alcohol violations - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (7) W/M, 16 years - alcohol violations - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (8) W/F, 17 years - delinquent - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (9) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Warned - Conference - Returned to Parents.

- (10) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (11) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (12) W/F, 16 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Warned.
- (13) W/F, 12 years - malicious damage - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (14) W/F, 14 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Warned.
- (15) W/F, 15 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Warned.
- (16) W/F, 15 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Warned.
- (17) W/M, 17 years - alcohol violation - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (18) W/M, 9 years - malicious damage - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Conference - Warned.
- (19) W/M, 16 years - alcohol violation - Warned - Conference - Returned to Parents.
- (20) W/M, 17 years - runaway - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (21) W/M, 17 years - alcohol violation - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (22) W/M, 15 years - suspicious activities - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (23) W/F, 14 years - runaway - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (24) W/F, 14 years - runaway - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (25) W/M, 15 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Conference - Warned.
- (26) W/M, 17 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Conference - Warned.
- (27) W/F, 14 years - runaway - Turned Over to Other Authorities - Conference - Warned.
- (28) W/M, 16 years - malicious damage - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (29) W/M, 14 years - malicious damage - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (30) W/M, 15 years - malicious damage - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (31) W/F, 16 years - drug violation - Conference - Warned - Turned Over to Other Authorities.
- (32) W/F, 16 years - drug violation - Conference - Warned - Turned Over to Other Authorities.
- (33) W/M, 16 years - alcohol violation - Returned to Parents - Turned Over to Other Authorities.
- (34) W/M, 14 years - larceny - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (35) W/M, 16 years - alcohol violation - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (36) W/M, 17 years - alcohol violation - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (37) W/M, 11 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.

- (38) W/M, 8 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (39) W/M, 13 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (40) W/M, 9 years - assault - Returned to Parents - Warned - Counselling.
- (41) W/M, 13 years - Truancy from School - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (42) W/M, 12 years - accidental shooting.
- (43) W/F, 14 years - truancy from school - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (44) W/F, 17 years - truancy from school - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (45) W/F, 15 years - truancy from school - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (46) W/M, 15 years - alcohol violation - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (47) W/M, 16 years - alcohol violation - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (48) W/M, 15 years - larceny - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (49) W/M, 17 years - alcohol violation - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (50) W/F, 15 years - runaway - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
assault -
- (51) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (52) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (53) W/M, 15 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (54) W/M, 15 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (55) W/M, 17 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (56) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (57) W/M, 16 years - Trespassing - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (58) W/M, 10 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (59) W/M, 13 years - larceny - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (60) W/M, 14 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (61) W/M, 13 years - malicious damage - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (62) W/M, 14 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (63) W/M, 17 years - drug violation - Court - Probation.
- (64) W/M, 12 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
burglary -
- (65) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (66) W/M, 14 years - disorderly conduct - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.

- (67) W/M, 13 years - burglary - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
- (68) W/M, 14 years - trespassing - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
larceny -
- (69) W/M, 13 years - trespassing - Conference - Warned - Returned to Parents.
larceny -
- (70) W/M, 16 years - probation hearing - Turned Over to Other Authorities.
- (71) W/F, 17 years - probation hearing - Turned Over to Other Authorities.
- (72) W/M, 16 years - alcohol violation - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (73) W/F, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (74) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (75) W/F, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (76) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (77) W/F, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (78) W/M, 15 years - larceny - Released to Other Authorities - Warned - Conference.
concealed weapon -
- (79) W/M, 15 years - larceny - Released to Other Authorities - Warned - Conference.
- (80) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Youth Develop-
ment Center - Counselling - Probation.
- (81) W/F, 16 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (82) W/M, 11 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (83) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (84) W/M, 11 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (85) W/M, 14 years - morals violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (86) W/F, 11 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (87) W/F, 9 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (88) W/M, 16 years - larceny - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (89) W/M, 17 years - larceny - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Probation.
- (90) W/F, 11 years - runaway - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (91) W/M, 16 years - motor vehicle violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (92) W/M, 16 years - motor vehicle violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (93) W/M, 16 years - trespassing - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (94) W/M, 17 years - trespassing - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.

- (95) W/F, 14 years - drug violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (96) W/F, 12 years - disorderly conduct - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Counselling - Probation.
- (97) W/M, 15 years - motor vehicle violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (98) W/M, 15 years - motor vehicle violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (99) W/M, 16 years - firearms violation - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (100) W/M, 17 years - malicious damage - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (101) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (102) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (103) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (104) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (105) W/M, 16 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (106) W/F, 13 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (107) W/F, 14 years - shoplifting - Juvenile Court - 1 Hearing - Probation.
uncontrolled child -
- (108) W/M, 11 years - burglary - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (109) W/M, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (110) W/M, 12 years - shoplifting - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Counselling - Probation.
- (111) W/M, 7 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (112) W/M, 15 years - uncontrolled child - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings - Counselling - Probation.
- (113) W/M, 16 years - using motor vehicle without authority - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings- Probation.
- (114) W/M, 16 years - using motor vehicle without authority - Juvenile Court - 2 Hearings- Probation - Counselling.
- (115) W/F, 15 years - disorderly conduct - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (116) W/M, 15 years - runaway - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference.
- (117) W/F, 16 years - shoplifting - Returned to Parents - Warned - Conference - Counselling.

Births Registered in the Town of Durham for the year ending December 31, 1974

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1973					
March 23	Dover	Mary Joanna	F	Donald Malcolm Magee	Nancy Ann Esch
November 27	Dover	Dylan Dean	M	James Alexander Zoller	Donna Dean
1974					
January 21	Laconia	Thomas Joshua	M	Frank Newton Hurt	Doris Ann Robke
January 21	Rochester	Richard Alexander	M	Keith Bainbridge Osgood	Linda Yvonne Davis
February 7	Dover	Alan Hsiang-Yun	M	Ben-Dau Tseng	Chieh-Mai Wang
February 10	Dover	Anna Priscilla	F	Chris Gus Dematatis	Jaye Laurel Hamilton
March 6	Dover	Kristin Anne	F	Michael John Burlage	Winifred Walsh
March 14	Exeter	Dean Frank	M	Nelson Forbes Kennedy	Deborah Day Minot
March 17	Durham	Timothy Alan	M	Harvey Jack Myers	Carole Anne York
March 19	Dover	Travis	M	Harold Bruce Stevens	Lang True
March 20	Exeter	Aaron Chalm	M	Francis Sylvanus Birch	Carol Jean Black
March 28	Dover	Kristen Anastasia	F	Christian Frederick Mumme	Gail Regiene
April 19	Dover	Tyrin Heather	F	David Richard Converse	Anne Tallafiero Voehringer
May 5	Dover	Jesse Lee	M	David Joseph Bodell	Judith Marie Russell
May 7	Portsmouth	Ross David	M	William Howard Lenbarth	Jane Hilary Levett
June 12	Portsmouth	James Alan	M	Dennis John Waskiewicz	Joyce Ann Magoon
June 30	Dover	David Alan	M	Richard Alan DeLude	Dawn Lind McDonough
July 3	Dover	Steven Douglas	M	Edward Lyle Squires	Brenda Joyce Burkett
July 11	Exeter	Seth Pendexter	M	Alan Edward Wall	Janet Grace Kelley
July 19	Hanover	Aparna	F	Chaman Lal Maul	Sarla Bradoo
September 1	Portsmouth	Stefany Amber	F	William Henry Shaheen	Cynthia Jeanne Bowers
September 7	Dover	Donald Malcolm	M	Donald Malcolm Magee	Nancy Ann Esch
September 9	Dover	David Alden	M	Roger Alden Jaques	Mary Margaret Ninde
September 10	Dover	Glenn Warren	M	Brandon Arthur Buttrick	Heidi Elizabeth Andrews
September 12	Dover	Jason Grant	M	Philip Walker Sidmore	Evelyn Elizabeth Knight
September 16	Dover	Alexandra Elizabeth	F	John Edward Limbar	Elizabeth Ann Erskine
October 15	Dover	Aaron Joseph	M	Joseph Andrew Hadam	Nancy Jane Mooney
October 15	Exeter	Patricia Iaila	F	Bahjat Basim Khleif	Nawal Warwar
October 18	Dover	Jennifer Lynn	F	James Ronald Swinney	Gail Evan Berry
October 25	Dover	Torissa Fang	F	Chung Jen Tsai	Betty Chang
November 16	Dover	Brendan Kelly	M	Donald Robert Levesque	Jo-Ann Mary Kelly
November 20	Dover	Jill Amy	F	Howard Martin Shapiro	Shelley Carol Miller
November 23	Dover	Jean Marie	F	Robert Arthur Croker	Mary Ann Casey
November 25	Dover	Beth Anne	F	Kenneth Vasken Kaloustian	Sharon Gale White

Marrriages Registered in the Town of Durham for the year ending December 31, 1974

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Bride and Groom	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Name and Designation of Officiant
January 7	Laconia	Donald Wayne Chambers Wendy Elizabeth Oleson	Laconia Durham	George W. Stafford Justice of the Peace
January 10	Durham	Peter Raymond Cegelka Florence Irene Pigott	South Berwick, Me. South Berwick, Me.	Joseph Desmond Priest
January 11	Rochester	William Joseph Meagher Carol Mae Schuster	Dover Durham	Rev. Wayne L. Fuller Luth. Pastor
January 26	Pease AFB	Richard Harris Weeks II Barbara Jean Fraser	Dover Durham	Chaplain Major Robert L. Matthews
April 1	Durham	Edward Thomas Hamilton Jennifer Linwood Wheeler	Meadville, Penna. Meadville, Penna.	Donald C. Babcock Clergyman
April 20	Glastonbury, Conn.	Ernest Cutter, Jr. Barbara Comstock Boring	Durham Dover	Franklin R. Hayward Minister
April 20	Durham	Raymond Thomas Morgan Phyllis Mary Long	Denver, Colo. Durham	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin R. C. Priest
May 4	Durham	William Francis Clifford Lee Jane Chandler	Durham Durham	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin R. C. Priest
May 4	Lebanon	Brian D. Stillson Catherine A. Mahoney	Newmarket Durham	W. Timothy Thibeault Priest
May 11	Lee	Richard Allen Dirting Margaret Ann Morse	Edinburg, Va. Durham	James G. Vakalis Justice of the Peace
May 25	Durham	Arthur Paul Riaz Carolyn Wrobel Maciejowski	Magnolia, Mass. Ipswich, Mass.	Edward W. Neury Pastor
May 27	Durham	Charles Frederick Harrison Helen Ann Blackman	Durham W. Hempstead, N. Y.	Richard A. Kay Justice of the Peace
June 1	Keene	Susan Ann Sonnenschein Frank Holland Hampshire	Durham Durham	Fay L. Gemnell Ordained Clergyman
June 8	New Canaan	Patricia Jeanne McCannon William Joseph Bonyal	New Canaan, Conn. Durham	Rev. Francis X. Malinowski Priest
June 15	Durham	Cassy Deane Pollack Janet Dewing	Durham Andover, Mass	L. H. Rouillard & J. Desmond Episcopal & R. C. Priests
June 15	Durham	David Manville Johnson John William Kelley	Durham Madbury	Rev. Albert W. Snow Priest
June 15	Portsmouth	Ruth Claire Norris John McLain Malek	Durham Derry	Rev. John S. MacPhee Clergyman
June 22	Durham	Janice Ellen Hutton Michael Kenneth Pollard	Derry Storrs, Conn.	Rev. Albert W. Snow Priest
June 22	Durham	Julie Jean Wochholz	Durham	Harold Creswell, Jr. Pastor

June 28	Portsmouth	Wilfred Frank Schulte	Dover	William T. Jenkins
June 29	Lee	June Marie MacFarland	Durham	Baptist Minister
June 29	Hollis	Clinton Charles Ellison, Jr.	Durham	James G. Vaktalis
July 14	Durham	Ruby Laura Frank	South Berwick, Me.	Justice of the Peace
July 27	Rollinsford	Donald Edison Stearns	Durham	George G. Faul
August 3	Durham	Kathleen Kolbe O'Shaughnessy	Hollis	Pastor
August 10	Durham	John Erling Rines	Wolfeboro	Winthrop F. Poffer, Jr.
August 10	Durham	Charlotte Janice Cowan	Durham	Minister
August 12	Durham	Stephen Douglas Griney	Durham	Linda L. Ekdahl
August 12	Durham	Denise Louise St. Jean	Durham	Justice of the Peace
August 12	Durham	Eric Georg Winslow	Deerfield	Edward W. Meury
August 12	Durham	Marilyn Anne Clark	Durham	Pastor
August 14	Durham	Michael Joseph Robinette	Gilford	Rev. Albert W. Snow
August 14	Durham	Muriel Ann Steenstra	Gilmanton	Priest
August 17	Durham	Gary Marc Tanquay	Somersworth	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin
August 17	Durham	Marilynn Ann Sakowski	Durham	R. C. Priest
August 17	Durham	Donald James Feltner	W. Columbia, S. C.	Ralph H. Helverson
August 17	Durham	Virginia Jenkins	Durham	Minister
August 17	Durham	John Emil Foret	Eliot, Maine	Bruce K. Johnson
August 17	Durham	Claudia Jean Darling	Eliot, Maine	Justice of the Peace
August 17	Durham	Ferer Mesidor Paris	Dorchester, Mass.	Linda L. Ekdahl
August 17	Durham	Shirley Emelda Marks	Dorchester, Mass.	Justice of the Peace
August 17	Durham	Larry Ellis Cook	Manchester	Charles N. Gross
August 17	Durham	Valerie Jane Smith	Durham	Minister
August 25	Durham	Kandasamy Gounder Krishnan	Durham	Joseph E. Michael, Jr.
August 25	Durham	Judith Ann Johnson	Durham	Justice of the Peace
August 30	Hampton	Stephen A. Mattin	Durham	Rev. Richard J. Kelley
August 31	Durham	Claire I. Bosse	Newmarket	Priest
August 31	Durham	Thomas Martin Schwartz	Newburyport, Mass.	Edward W. Meury
August 31	Hampton	Johanna Hatch	Durham	Pastor
August 31	Hampton	Gordon M. West	Durham	Herbert N. Lovemore
September 9	Hampstead	Linda H. Howard	North Hampton	Minister
September 9	Durham	William Charles Cote	Derry	Rev. Richard L. Provencher
September 14	Durham	Cynthia Ellen Coviello	Durham	R. C. Priest
September 14	Durham	Roger Allan Prince	Corvallis, Oregon	Charles N. Gross
September 18	Durham	Margaret Sandra Whaley	Corvallis, Oregon	Minister
September 18	Durham	Warren Gerald Fray	Auburn, Mass.	Linda L. Ekdahl
September 21	Durham	Beverly Ann Zenaro	Worcester, Mass.	Justice of the Peace
September 21	Durham	David Corliss Potter	Falmouth, Mass.	Charles N. Gross
September 28	Durham	Christina Ursula Hoene	Durham	Minister
September 28	Durham	Paul Everett Milbury, Jr.	Durham	Lawrence H. Roulillard
October 5	Durham	Carol May Wirth	Quincy, Mass.	Episcopal Priest
October 5	Durham	Charles Norvell Gross	Durham	Edward W. Meury
October 5	Durham	Kathleen Anne Keesey	Durham	Pastor

October 5	Durham	Donald Francis Persett	Syracuse, N. Y.	Rev. Albert W. Snow
October 12	Durham	Susan Alice Hugus	Durham	Priest
October 15	Plaistow	Lewis Burleigh Sheen	Westwood, Mass.	Joseph L. Michael, Jr.
October 19	Durham	Frieda Adele Robinson	Westwood, Mass.	Justice of the Peace
October 26	Durham	Paul Fred Jones	Haverhill, Mass	Clara B. Shaw
October 27	Portsmouth	Barbara Jean LaMothe	Durham	Justice of the Peace
November 9	Exeter	David Opasik	San Francisco, Calif.	Edward W. Meury
November 23	Pease AFB	Susan Wilder Hinckley	Durham	Pastor
November 30	West Campton	Mark Moomaw Jackson	Westfield, Mass.	Joseph Desmond
November 30	Durham	Karen Anne Wakefield	Westfield, Mass.	Priest
December 14	Durham	Stephen Charles LeShane	Quincy, Mass.	Edward W. Meury
December 21	Durham	Paula Jean Lawson	Quincy, Mass.	Pastor
		Dan Jacob Swift	Upper Montclair, N. J.	Edward W. Meury
		Stephanie Bradley Ackerman	Durham	Pastor
		Douglas Eugene White	Hanover	Rev. Charles P. Calcagni
		Maria Amor Irwin	Durham	Pastor
		Stephen Michael Lefebvre	Durham	Chaplain Major
		Deborah Ann Boyd	Lee	Robert L. Matthews
		Josiah Howe Vose Fisher, Jr.	Meredith	Rev. Randolph K. Vales
		Deborah Frankel	Durham	Priest
		James Edward Mirakian	Bristol, Conn.	Edward W. Meury
		Catherine Loire Menge	Durham	Pastor
		George Alvin Crowell, Jr.	Framingham, Mass.	Edward W. Meury
		Penny Arlene Dettmer	Framingham, Mass.	Pastor
		James Joseph Mahoney, Jr.	Barrington	Rev. Leon P. Gaulin
		Cheryl Lynn Follansbee	Durham	R. C. Priest

Deaths Registered in the Town of Durham for the year ending December 31, 1974

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Sex	Color	Status	State of Birth	Occupation
January 1	Dover	Beulah W. Weeks	88	F	W	W	New York	At Home
January 3	Dover	Edward Thomas Donovan	74	M	W	M	Illinois	Professor Emeritus
February 13	Dover	Charles J. Manuel	84	M	W	M	Vermont	Mechanical Engineer
February 26	Dover	Lewis Avery Robinson	80	M	W	M	New Hampshire	School Teacher
February 27	Dover	Annie Esther Partridge	72	F	W	M	Maine	Teacher
March 25	Exeter	Joseph Wilson Fisk	77	M	W	M	New Hampshire	Laborer
March 29	Manchester	Charles Field Scott	83	M	W	M	New Hampshire	Teacher
April 26	Dover	Catherine M. Close	88	F	W	W	Ireland	Domestic Worker
May 12	Dover	Vella M. Smart	89	F	W	W	New Hampshire	Housewife
May 20	Durham	Mabel Agnes Bourgoin	78	F	W	W	Massachusetts	Housewife
May 24	Exeter	Bessie Klesper	90	F	W	W	New York	Freelance Artist
May 27	Portland, Me.	Daniel Emerson Langley	12	M	W	S	Rhode Island	Student
May 29	Dover	Alphonse Beliveau	72	M	W	S	New Hampshire	Weaver
June 6	Hanover	Pindar Roraback	69	M	W	M	New York	Retired Banker
June 9	Durham	Stanley George Malek	61	M	W	M	New Hampshire	Plumber
August 1	Durham	Robert Justin Whitney	24	M	W	D	New Hampshire	Sand Blaster
August 31	Dover	Gratia T. Huggins	89	F	W	W	New Hampshire	Housewife
September 1	Exeter	Timothy A. Bangs	1 hr.	M	W	S	New Hampshire	Infant
September 15	Manchester	Richard Ralph Clarke	64	M	W	S	Massachusetts	Library Assistant
October 1	Hartford, Conn.	Herbert Charles Moore	74	M	W	W	Indiana	Associate Professor
October 21	Dover	Ralph Hugh Mason	83	M	W	M	Massachusetts	Steam Engineer
November 15	Dover	Sylvia A. Ford	94	F	W	W	Nova Scotia	Housewife
November 23	Durham	Edward P. Seperson	7	M	W	S	New York	Student
December 2	Dover	Mabel Hanau Neuhoff	85	F	W	W	New York	Housewife
December 9	Dover	Edith Angelina Wheeler	75	F	W	M	New Hampshire	Housewife
December 26	Lawrence, Mass.	Ruth B. Manton	74	F	W	W	Virginia	Gardener

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LINDA L. EKDAHL, Durham Town Clerk

Fire Commissioners

As we approach the 1975 Town Meeting, the Fire Commissioners can look back on a busy, interesting and constructive year. Much has been accomplished and much remains to be done in the critical areas of personnel, equipment, housing and funding.

Mr. Owen B. Durgin was appointed as the Town member on the Board of Fire Commissioners, replacing Commissioner L. Franklin Heald, whose term expired March 5, 1974.

Following extensive seek and search procedures, Paul G. Long, an experienced and highly regarded professional fire chief was appointed June 1, 1974 as Chief of Department. Chief Long's covering memorandum is an integral part of his annual report to the Fire Commissioners and is published in its entirety at the end of the Commissioners report.

The Board of Fire Commissioners are pleased to submit the following report of the activities of the Durham-UNH Fire Department for the 1974 year.

PERMANENT PERSONNEL

Fire Department	15
Dispatch Center	4
Call Firefighters	30

TRAINING BUREAU

The Training Bureau has conducted training programs totaling in excess of 1,000 contact hours. This includes daily training for members of the permanent department, semi-monthly drills for callmen, training for University employees, Residence Assistants, day care center personnel, and the general public. Notable formal programs presented have been courses on Arson Investigation, Radiological Monitoring, Forest Fire Control, Red Cross First Aid and courses offered by the New Hampshire Fire Service Training and Research, a State agency.

Daily in-service training includes instruction on such subjects as: knots and ropes, first aid, sprinkler systems, street and hydrant familiarization, fire alarm systems, fire attack procedures, hose and ladder evolutions, self-contained breathing apparatus, pumps and hydraulics, ice and electrical rescue, motor vehicle rescue and extrication, hydrant operation, ammonia and chlorine incidents, driver training, salvage, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and pre-fire planning.

Many department members have attended the several regional, annual and special fire schools, seminars and conferences throughout New Hampshire, Vermont, and Massachusetts. Subjects studied include: Hi-Rise buildings, Officer Training, Hazardous Materials Handling and Transportation Accidents, Special Fire Ground Problems, CPR, Oil Spill Seminar, Fire Administration to name only a few. This department furnished instructors to teach at several fire schools in the state.

Five condemned buildings were burned in 1974 as a training exercise where much valuable experience was gained. This department participated in mutual aid drills with neighboring departments where new concepts were tested which involve large quantities of water by both tanker shuttle and large diameter hose for rural fire suppression.

This department evaluated many new pieces of fire equipment, several new foams and water additives; new evolutions were tested and developed unique to this department.

Each department member has been issued a training notebook filled with pertinent fire-matic data for study and reference. More than a dozen new volumes were added to the Fire Department library. Good use was made of video tape, 8mm movies and still photography in developing training audio-visual material.

All poor or nonswimmers in the permanent department were enrolled in a semester long basic swimming course at the UNH indoor pool. Four department members are currently enrolled in the Fire Science Association Degree Program at the Portsmouth Vo-Tech College.

They attended courses on their own time but are reimbursed tuition costs upon successful completion of the course. Officers from this department have served throughout the state on oral examining boards for candidates seeking promotions within their department.

In April, a 30 hour Basic Firefighting course was given by the Training Officer to over a dozen members of this department. In October when four new men were hired, they were given a two week Rookie School here before being assigned to a shift. These men went on to attend a three day fire school at the Topsfield, Massachusetts Rescue Academy and attended specialty courses at the Brentwood, New Hampshire Drill Yard.

This department participated in mutual aid disaster training drills held by the State Health Department, Division of Emergency Medical Services.

The Durham-UNH Fire Department has been approved by the State Department of Education as a Veteran's On-The-Job Training Agency. This allows us to attract well qualified veterans into the fire service and pay them a competitive wage with industry until they complete a year's OJT and receive the pay of a fully trained firefighter. Federal funds are used to compensate the veteran while undergoing training to supplement his probationary salary.

The Training Bureau also assists in dispatcher training and is developing a presentation for police on Police/Fire Operations.

Physical exams are now required of all new department members, both call and permanent. Physical exam requirements will soon be brought into line with standards recently adopted by the N.F.P.A.

Durham residents are fortunate to have an additional service provided by this department that many towns lack; fire department medical aid response. On reported heart or respiratory distress cases, reports of serious bleeding or other life threatening injury, the dispatcher immediately sends an on duty fire crew in a rescue pumper or van to size up, treat and stabilize the victim and assist the ambulance crew. This prompt response has been instrumental in saving more than one life in the past year. Some people are dismayed when they call for an ambulance and a fire truck arrives, yet they seldom realize that the ambulance corps is a volunteer organization on call from their homes or places of business and that the Fire Department is manned at all times and can respond at once saving many critical minutes. Each shift has at least one Emergency Medical Technician on it and others are undergoing the 81 hours of training required to qualify for the EMT rating.

The Durham-UNH Fire Department has the most rigorous qualification program in the state for callmen who want to qualify to work part-time on vacant shifts. This program includes their demonstrating knowledge of department procedures, New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Laws, location of streets, hydrants, fraternities and sororities, businesses and public buildings, pumper and aerial ladder procedures. Location and use of all apparatus contents; it tests driving ability both in traffic and on a skill course and includes several written, practical and oral exams.

Recently, this department has begun to sponsor one day fire oriented seminars open to all members of the fire service in New Hampshire featuring expert guest speakers.

The roles of the Prevention Officer and Training Officer have meshed nicely and good cooperation has been the rule in developing overlapping programs such as Fire Prevention Week, pre-fire planning, classes on inservice inspections, oil burner inspections and classes preparing firefighters to work as fire watch at places of public assembly.

DISPATCH CENTER

The Durham-UNH Dispatch Center serves as a central communications center for the emergency services of the Durham-UNH community and surrounding area.

The agencies utilizing the Dispatch Center are as follows:

Durham-UNH Fire Department
Durham Police Department
Durham Ambulance Corps
UNH Police Department

UNH Work Control Center
UNH Safety Department
Lee Police Department

The Center is also responsible for coordinating communications for the Barrington, Lee, Madbury, Newmarket, and Nottingham Fire Departments for fire mutual aid as needed.

The four permanent dispatchers and four substitute Dispatch personnel are responsible for coordinating calls from fourteen incoming telephone lines and three primary radio frequencies.

The Dispatch Center has been enlarged and two modern communication consoles are being installed to more effectively coordinate communications on receipt of emergency calls.

1974 saw an increase of 33,558 in the volume of calls handled through the Dispatch Center with approximately 165,353 radio and phone calls being dispatched. Continued expansion of the Center to include the necessary recording and radio equipment will assist in increasing the efficiency of the Center.

The personnel and facilities of the Dispatch Center are ready to assist the residents and guests of our community in dispatching the appropriate personnel and equipment to provide a quality emergency response.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

The purpose of fire prevention is to lessen the physical, occupational, and moral hazards which contribute to the occurrence and spread of fire. The fire prevention activities of the Durham-UNH Fire Department are coordinated on a part-time basis by a lieutenant. These activities include building inspections, special hazard inspections, review and approval of building plans, fire code interpretation and enforcement, supervising and scheduling special events, firefighter details, investigation of fires, supervision of fire drills, and presentation of programs to the public in fire extinguisher use and general fire safety.

In-service inspections by regular firefighting personnel continued to improve life safety conditions in public buildings, apartments, dormitories, and places of business, and also increased firefighter familiarization with the inherent hazards and characteristics of those buildings. With the assistance of the Training Officer, all permanent personnel and several callmen were instructed in the basic techniques of fire inspection and use of fire codes.

Formal fire safety programs were developed for presentation to various groups such as boy scouts, girl scouts, dormitory residential staff, and town and University employees. During fire prevention week, younger age groups in the elementary school were treated to a talk on home fire inspection and an outdoor firefighting demonstration. These programs, as well as classes in the proper use of fire extinguishers, are available on request, to any group in the community.

Night-time fire safety inspections were conducted in restaurants, bars, and other places of assembly during their peak business periods. The purpose of these inspections is to monitor compliance with emergency lighting and exit requirements and capacity limits.

In cooperation with the building inspector, all requests for building permits are now reviewed by the Fire Prevention Bureau to ensure compliance with applicable codes and standards. The same procedure has been adopted by the University Office of Physical Plant Development.

New standards have been adopted for the installation and maintenance of fire alarm systems and fire drills are conducted in schools, apartment buildings, and dormitories.

The UNH Office of Residential Life, Department of Safety, and the Durham-UNH Fire Department have combined forces to improve life safety conditions in dormitory facilities. An intensive room inspection program has proved to be very successful in eliminating common hazards and educating students in the dangers of poor wiring, storage of flammable liquids, and the excess accumulation of combustibles, to name just a few.

With the cooperation of the UNH Department of Safety, a program to supervise the proper disposal of hazardous wastes is being instituted in laboratory buildings.

The Training Officer and Prevention Officer have set up a special events training program for those firefighters who are on standby duty at large athletic events and public gatherings. Firefighters are instructed in crowd control, public courtesy, building familiarization, and procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency. Of course, they must also be proficient in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and use of fire extinguishers.

The efforts of the Durham-UNH Fire Department in the above have truly shown the need for a full time prevention officer who does not have the additional responsibility of supervising a regular fire shift. Hopefully, in the coming year, more time can be devoted to re-inspections, special hazards, and educational programs in the public schools. One of the top priorities will be an emphasis on improving the life safety conditions of apartment buildings in Durham. Another important role of the Prevention Officer will be to gather information in the field that will be valuable in setting up "pre-fire plans" for the fire suppression force.

IN-SERVICE INSPECTIONS BY ON-DUTY SHIFT	100		
INSPECTIONS BY FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU	157		
OIL BURNER INSPECTIONS	10		
PERMITS ISSUED:			
Place of Assembly	16		
Oil Burner Installation	9		
Oil Burner Operation	5		
Blasting	3		
SUPERVISED FIRE DRILLS	78		
FIRE SAFETY PRESENTATIONS	24	AUDIENCE	730
FIRE EXTINGUISHER CLASSES	15	AUDIENCE	270
APPARATUS DEMONSTRATIONS FOR PUBLIC	7	AUDIENCE	400
SPECIAL EVENTS DETAILS	157	1512 MAN HOURS	

Fire Department responses for the 1974 year numbered 734, an increase of 165 over the 1973 year. Only 12 of these calls were bell alarms. This record indicates excellent cooperation from the members of both the Town and University communities in containing small fires and in reporting them promptly. This record also speaks well for the Durham-UNH Fire Department who, in its quick response, was able to prevent major losses and serious damage.

SUMMARY OF ALARMS

Bell Alarms	12
Still Alarms	586
Engineers	8
Service	<u>128</u>
Total:	<u>734</u>

ALARMS RECEIVED BY:

Telephone	579
Automatic Alarms	74
Police Departments	25
Radio	31
Verbal(walk in)	<u>25</u>
Total:	<u>734</u>

CLASSIFICATION OF ALARMS

Building Fires	37
Brush - Grass	25
Motor Vehicles	12

Dump	15
Chimney	5
Domestic Heating Units	8
Electrical	85
Highway Accidents	20
Mutual Aid Out Of Town	17
Gasoline Spills	33
Malicious False Alarms	97
Alarms, No Fires	133
Assist to Public	58
Medical Aid	73
Miscellaneous	75
Accidental Alarms	<u>41</u>
Total:	734

NOTE OF THANKS

The Board of Fire Commissioners takes this opportunity to express to retiring Commissioner L. Franklin Heald, our sincere thanks and appreciation for his many years of dedicated service to the Durham-UNH Fire Department. We are most grateful for his important contributions to the fire defenses of our joint communities.

The Commissioners wish to thank our officers and firefighters, both callmen and regular, for their loyal and dedicated service to the Durham-UNH Fire Department. These dedicated and professional public servants lay their lives on the line every time they enter a burning building. They do this to save the lives of others. They have earned the motto "Live and Help Live".

Lastly, our sincere thanks to Chief Paul G. Long for the exemplary discharge of his duties during his first seven months in office. He has accepted and managed a budget he did not prepare and has with competence and equanimity faced the exigencies of an unfamiliar department, as well as our many demands.

Owen B. Durgin
David A. Flanders
Norman W. Stiles, Chairman
Board of Fire Commissioners



DATE: January 15, 1975

TO: Mr. Norman W. Stiles, Chairman, Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM: Paul G. Long, Chief of Department

On June 1, 1974, my appointment as Chief of the Durham-UNH Fire Department became effective.

Any change of administration within a department usually requires a period of adjustment and the fire department is no exception to this policy. During the past six months I have attempted to re-define and set in motion certain goals that we must reach in order to provide the fire protection which I feel has been mandated by the people in our community in the 1973 Town Report. This report will not detail the myriad of problems which were first encountered, nor will it reflect the many achievements that have been accomplished as the result of the understanding and cooperation of the Fire Commissioners during our regular meetings of the past six months.

I do feel it is important to mention, however, that specific programs are now in effect in the areas of fire prevention, fire suppression training (tactics and procedures), apparatus maintenance, building maintenance, etc. Rules and regulations have been adopted and salary schedules have been approved. Personnel policies have been established that are compatible with the University system. The Dispatch Center, which is regulated by the Fire Department, has received a major portion of the equipment authorized at the Town Meeting, and should be operating more efficiently in the near future.

If the spirit of cooperation continues in the same manner as it is reflected at the present time, there is no doubt in my mind that our department will be able to provide whatever level of emergency service our community desires.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the officials of the Town and University, to the people of the community, and to the officers and firefighters of the permanent and call department for their cooperation and understanding during this transition period.

I will continue to exert my efforts to provide the highest degree of fire protection for our community.



Town Meeting Insert

Warrant Articles

1975



1975 TOWN WARRANT

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River Cooperative High School Cafeteria, Durham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, the fourth day of March, 1975, A.D., at 8:00 A.M. (D.S.T.) to act on the following ballot articles:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10.

As provided by law, there can be no discussion on these articles prior to balloting.

POLLS WILL CLOSE AND ACTION BY BALLOTING on the articles referred to above and listed below will cease at 7:00 P.M. The ballots will then be counted and the results announced.

Further, in compliance with action approved by the Town Meeting on March 7, 1972 (Article 2), you are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River Cooperative High School Gymnasium at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 5, 1975, to act on all other articles in this warrant.

ARTICLE 1. To choose two (2) Selectmen for a term of three (3) years; a Town Clerk for a term of three (3) years; a Tax Collector for a term of three (3) years; a Treasurer for a term of three (3) years; four (4) members of the Budget Committee for a term of three (3) years; a Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years, and all elective officers for the ensuing year. OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Conservation Commission as follows: The Wetland Conservation Overlay District is hereby determined to be those areas identified as poorly drained or very poorly drained soils, defined in the publication "Soil Survey of Strafford County, New Hampshire" issued March 1973. The Wetland Conservation District as herein defined is shown on a map or maps designated as the Town of Durham Wetland Conservation Overlay District Map and is a supplement to the Zoning Map of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire. In the interest of wise land use, public health, safety, and welfare, the regulations of this district are intended to guide the use of areas of land with extended periods of high water tables. Such proposed amendments are on file with the Town Clerk and on display to the voters at the polling place. (Recommended by the Planning Board) OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Conservation Commission as follows: Shoreland Conservation Zone: The Shoreland Conservation Zone shall be all land within fifty feet of the shores of Great and Little Bays and of the shore of year round natural flowing streams as designated by a qualified hydrologist. For the purpose of this ordinance shore shall be defined as the mean high water line of the said bodies of water at the water's edge; also included are permitted uses within this zone. Such proposed amendments are on file with the Town Clerk and on display to the voters at the polling place. (Recommended by the Planning Board) OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Revise Section 1.40
 Definition of "Condominium"

K. Condominium means a multiple dwelling building or group of buildings having a total of five or more dwelling units, the dwelling units of which are intended for, used or occupied under separate ownership, and which comply with all requirements of the "unit ownership of real property" statute, RSA 479-A, but excluding leasing of dwelling units as provided for in RSA 479-A.

Revise Section 1.40

Dwelling Unit Table by adding:

	<u>Sleeping</u>	<u>Dining/ Cooking</u>	<u>Sanitary</u>	<u>Social</u>	<u>Max. No. Unrelated Occupants</u>
Condominium	H	H	H	H	1.5

Add to Section 4.21

J. Condominiums, provided they comply with all requirements of this ordinance and state statute, RSA 479-A (excluding leased unit ownership), and provided they receive site review approval under Section 10.30. See site review regulations, Section 2.2G.

Add to Section 4.28 - Table of Permitted Uses by Zoning Districts:

	<u>RA</u>	<u>RB</u>	<u>RC</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>BA</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>CR</u>
O. Condominiums				X(4)	X			X

Add to Section 5.18 - Table of Dimensional Controls by Zoning Districts

Note 16. The minimum sized lot requirement for condominium so allowable will provide at least 2,000 sq. ft. per dwelling unit of which at least 1,000 must be habitable floor area.

Add: Note 16 under heading Minimum Lot Area in Table of Dimensional Controls by Zoning Districts (5.18).

(4) Only where central water and municipally operated central sewer systems are connected for use. (Recommended by the Planning Board)
 OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Durham Historic District Study Committee as follows: An ordinance proposed for the following purposes and intent: To safeguard the heritage of the Town as it is represented in structures of historical and architectural value; to preserve a District in the Town which reflects elements of its cultural, social, economic, and political history; to foster civic beauty; to promote the use of an Historic District for the education, pleasure, and welfare of the citizens of Durham. Such proposed amendments are on file with the Town Clerk and on display to the voters at the polling place. (Recommended by the Planning Board)
 OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Residential Town Houses.

Add under Residential Uses - Section 4.28 Table of Permitted Uses by Zoning District.

p. Townhouses

with an X to be placed under Districts BA and CR and an X (4) under R.

Note 4 to read: Only where central water and municipally operated central sewer systems are connected for use.

Revise Section 1.40 of the Durham Zoning Ordinance by adding the following to item j.

Each Townhouse structure as a whole, shall conform to the dimensional controls of this ordinance. (Recommended by the Planning Board)
OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Add to section 4.28 Table of Permitted Uses by Zoning District under Residential Uses new item O Townhouses with an X to be placed under districts R, BA, and CR and with note 2 under R.
(Recommended by the Planning Board) OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Add an X under OR in Section 4.28g - Retail and Personal Uses

(This would permit Offices for Professional or Personal Services in the OR zone.) (Recommended by the Planning Board) OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Durham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Residential Uses, Accessory Rooming in the CR Zone.

CHANGES TO SECTION 4.28 DURHAM ZONING ORDINANCE

Add an X under CR in Section 4.2812 - Residential Uses

(This would permit accessory rooming in the CR Zone. Accessory apartments and boarding are already allowed in the CR Zone)
(Recommended by the Planning Board) OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by petition of 10 or more legal voters of Durham:

Zoning District boundary change: To enlarge the BA Zone in the Mill Pond Shop & Save area on Mill Road to include all land within the stone wall as it extends in an easterly direction approximately 260° northerly from and parallel with Faculty Road, to its intersection with a stone wall at the Red Tower Development, so called, and extending therefrom to Main Street; with appropriate revision of the Town of Durham zoning map dated March, 1969, as revised March, 1971 (map available at Town Office).

(Petitioned by 25 legal voters as follows: Rebecca B. Schuyler, Robert Schuyler, Linda Dugas, Doris Irwin, M. R. Irwin, Richard L. Mills, Kathryn I. Mills, Philip E. Rogers, Marjorie S. Rogers, Eleanor A. Johnson,

Chester W. Johnson, Don Thompson, Joan Thompson, Kevin V. Dugas, Nancy Hess, Irvin T. Hess, Marilyn E. Lawton, Kay Chaltas, John H. Chaltas, Beverly L. Pfanner, Jeanette D. Watson, Richard H. Watson, Richard R. Proulx, Kathryn R. Proulx, Connie Jan Cheney, Walter W. Cheney.
(Not recommended by the Planning Board) OFFICIAL BALLOT.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply, negotiate and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State, or other assistance as may be available for the report for, design of, and construction of a sewage disposal system, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$45,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications on sewerage and sewage treatment facilities which are requirements contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq. 6 Stat. §16 et seq.) and will qualify the Town for Federal funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds or Notes not to exceed \$45,000 under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (N.H.R.S.A. 33 1 et seq., as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham and to allow the Selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal Government under the Financial Assistance Program of the Construction Grants section of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq., 6 Stat. §16 et seq.) and pass any vote relating thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee -- will not affect 1975 Tax Rate).

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Durham, for the purchase of a pumper truck for the Durham-UNH Fire Department. (The sum of \$50,000 was appropriated by the 1974 Town Meeting for this purpose. This article authorizes borrowing for that appropriation.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee - funds in 1974-75 budget).

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not exceeding \$20,000 for the purpose of making improvements to the following Class V roads within the Town:

#70 Bagdad Road, 0+00 - 14+30, 0.27 mi.

Such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 241, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, as amended, and to authorize the Selectmen to determine the date and place of payment of such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other steps as may be necessary to negotiate such bonds or notes as shall be to the best interests of the Town of Durham. (Recommended by the Budget Committee -- will not affect the 1975 Tax Rate).

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to allocate \$1,000 from present Federal Revenue Sharing funds to the Newmarket Health Center, or take any action relative thereto. (Petitioned by 10 legal voters, as follows: Carol S. Rouillard, Margery A. Clark, Lawrence H. Rouillard, Lori J. Tomsic, William F. Henry, Robin D. Willits, Anne D. Dubois, Marjorie E. Moore, Barbara C. Clark, Elizabeth Marsh). (Submitted without recommendation of the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to allocate the sum of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) from undesignated Federal Revenue Sharing Funds to the Seacoast Bicentennial Arts Committee to enable it to act as regional coordinator for the celebration of the 1976 Bicentennial, or take any action relative thereto. (Petitioned by 10 legal voters as follows: Paul R. Jones, Alexander R. Amell, Kenneth K. Andersen, Frederick G. Hochgraf, Charles W. Owens, John W. Hatch, Joseph D. Batcheller, Winifred C. Shaw, Meredyth Jones, George F. Griewank). (Submitted without recommendation of the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to abate the real estate taxes of the Durham Housing Association for the tax years 1975 and 1976 in order to provide for the receipt of income from rents before becoming liable for real estate taxes. (Petitioned by 79 legal voters as follows: Arthur S. Adams, Rebecca B. W. Frost, Richard M. Brayton, O. B. Durgin, Malcolm J. Chase, Lawrence W. O'Connell, Alden L. Winn, James C. Chamberlin, Jean W. Potter, Priscilla Phenix, Charles E. McLean, Rae Borrer, Samuel Hoitt, Gwen Hoitt, Lillian Lurvey, Alice Stevens, Blanche M. Foulkrod, Donald W. Chapman, Aida V. Chapman, Nicholas F. Colovos, C. J. Rouman, L. V. Tirrell, J. B. Eastman, Elizabeth H. Larson, Alice A. Johnson, Reid Johnson, Thelma Brackett, Eleanor D. Towle, Elizabeth L. Towle, Helen D. Abbott, Margaret Owen, Winnie Welch, Sylvia Higgins, Alice Bassett, Clara Bartley, Carroll M. Degler, Edna Cronk, Isabelle Meyers, Ralph Meyers, Donald F. Hill, Edith M. Hill, NESTA L. Williams, Gertrude Holz, Cornelia Wadleigh, Charles A. Herrick, Henry B. Stevens, Esther P. Herrick, Arthur Stewart, Sherburne F. Fogg, Dorothy Wilcox, Ruth Degler, Bernice Fogg, Walter W. Cheney, Lucile C. Dawson, Sheldon Prescott, John B. Cochrane, Malcolm C. Neuhoff, Richard Morrison, Donald Melvin, Charles T. Burley, Jr., Dorothy P. Day, Evelyn G. Marshall, Thomas O. Marshall, Ann Snyder, Elizabeth M. Hepler, John S. Walsh, Matilda R. Walsh, Edna H. Hersey, Marion M. Sweet, Viola H. Skelton, Russell R. Skelton, Luella M. Donovan, Betty Robinson, Betty Craig, Harriet Scarpulla, Barbara Merrick, Ruth M. Brayton, Alice M. Winn, Helen Kichline.)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate a property transfer as follows: A parcel of land 95' x 165' x 209' opposite Mill Pond Road, adjacent to Newmarket Road, presently owned by the Town of Durham, to be deeded by the Town to George Sawyer, Jr., in exchange for a parcel of land adjacent to Old Landing Road (Tax Map No. 5-6-6) already deeded to the Town by George F. Sawyer, Jr., and to be used to enlarge the existing Town Park. (Recommended by the Conservation Commission).

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of already appropriated welfare funds for support of day care services in Durham. These funds may be used to earn three-to-one matching funds through the Division of Welfare of the State of New Hampshire.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to rescind all prior actions relating to the membership of the Parks and Recreation Committee, and empower the Selectmen to appoint a five (5) person committee, with terms of three (3) years, except for initial appointments which will be as follows: Three appointees will serve two (2) year terms and two (2) appointees shall serve for three (3) year terms.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board to make appropriate plans for the construction of bicycle paths on future Town roads and construct wherever feasible on existing Town roads. Further, to direct the Selectmen to request the State Department of Public Works and Highways to construct bicycle paths between Durham and Newmarket on Route 108, and between Durham and Dover on Madbury Road and Route 155.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town of Durham, for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, will adopt that certain code known as the Fire Prevention Code recommended by the American Insurance Association, being particularly the 1970 edition thereof.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will adopt the following resolution: WHEREAS, that there continues to exist within the state a serious shortage of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations at rents which elderly and low income persons can afford, and that such persons are forced to occupy substandard dwelling accommodations; and WHEREAS, the General Court of the State of New Hampshire has enacted Chapter 204-A of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated establishing the New Hampshire Housing Commission; and WHEREAS, Section 9 of that Act provides that in a municipality where there is no local housing authority operating, the Commission shall not operate without the consent of the governing body of a municipality; and WHEREAS, said Section 9 provides that consent of the governing body must be given for each project; and WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 8 of the U. S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, the United States of America, acting through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, is authorized to enter into annual contributions contracts with public housing agencies pursuant to which such agencies may enter into contracts to make assistance payments to owners; NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town Meeting of the Town of Durham as follows:
That the New Hampshire Housing Commission be and is authorized to operate in the Town of Durham.
That said New Hampshire Housing Commission is authorized to sponsor a project, under Section 8 of the U. S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, for any of the following dwelling accommodations or a combination thereof: (a) existing standard housing; (b) rehabilitated housing; (c) newly constructed housing; the total amount of the foregoing not to exceed fifteen (15) dwelling units.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following resolution:
WHEREAS, the Town of Durham has adopted and is enforcing its Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Regulations, and other Town Ordinances, and, WHEREAS, Section(s) 5.10, Subdivision Regulations, also, 10.14 Zoning Ordinance of the aforesaid prohibits any person, firm or corporation from erecting, constructing, enlarging, altering, repairing, improving, moving or demolishing any building or structure without first obtaining a separate building permit for each building or structure from the Building Inspector, and WHEREAS, the Building Inspector must examine all plans and specifications for the proposed construction when application is made to him for a building permit.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IN ENACTED by the Town Meeting of Durham, as follows:
1. The Town Meeting recommends that the Planning Board amend their regulations pertaining to the flood hazard area to assure that (i) all proposals are consistent with the need to minimize flood damage, (ii) all public utilities and facilities, such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems are located, elevated, and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage, and (iii) adequate drainage is provided so as to reduce exposure to flood hazards; and
2. The Town Meeting recommends that the Planning Board amend their regulations pertaining to the flood hazard area to require new or replacement water supply systems and/or sanitary sewage systems to be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters, and require on-site waste disposal systems to be located so as to avoid impairment of them or contamination from them during flooding, pursuant to N. H. RSA 36:21.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Durham-UNH Fire Department to go to the aid of another city, town, village or fire district within the State for the purpose of extinguishing fires therein, as provided by State Statute Chapter 154, section 24 through 30.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to permit the Board of Selectmen to seek, make application for, and accept Federal Funds in connection with the Community Development Act of 1974, and to sign any agreements required for the completion of the application.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate, and do all other things necessary to accept funds from the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency of the State of New Hampshire for salary and operating costs of the Durham District Court Probation Officer, and for such other programs of that Commission as may be in the interest of the Town of Durham.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of approximately eighty-nine thousand, three hundred sixteen dollars (\$89,316.00) to defray its share of the cost of Strafford County Government.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen under authority of R.S.A. 80:42 to sell and transfer the tax lien and/or the title to real estate acquired by the Town at a tax collector's sale for nonpayment of taxes, in default of redemption for such tax sale within the time limited by law, by deed or otherwise upon such terms as the Selectmen shall deem to be in the best interests of the Town.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow necessary money in anticipation of taxes by issuing short term notes.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate, and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State or other assistance as may be available for public works or other projects.

ARTICLE 32. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 17th day of February in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Five.

A True Copy, Attest:

Owen B. Durgin, Chairman
Malcolm J. Chase
James C. Chamberlin
Lawrence W. O'Connell
Alden L. Winn

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

WATER DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1974

ACCOUNT	EXPENDED
	7/1/74 -
	<u>12/31/74</u>
Labor (Town)	970.60
Labor (Other)	438.50
Equipment Rentals	.00
Office & Administration	1,356.76
Distribution Materials	1,304.28
Meters	1,559.92
Water Purchased	3,525.82
Other	.00
Labor (Town)	8,449.97
Labor (Other)	488.13
Materials	5,666.90
Contracts	.00
Meters	304.20
Storage Tank	300.00
Equipment Rental	2,160.59
Debt Service	.00
Acquisition	.00
Transfer of Funds	.00
Fish & Game Contra	<u>740.67</u>
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS	\$ 27,266.34

1975 WATER OPERATING BUDGET

OPERATIONAL:

Water Purchases	9,000.00
Fluoride	1,860.00
Meters:	
Purchases	2,000.00
Labor	850.00
Reading	510.00
Water Breaks:	
Labor	768.00
Materials	1,519.15
Hydrants:	
Labor	960.00
Materials	1,675.00
Distribution System:	
Labor	1,664.00
Materials	1,122.10
Office	4,401.33
Supt. of Public Works	1,526.66
Selectmen	<u>500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 28,356.24

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

Water Bond	15,000.00 (Est.)
Mill Road	22,250.00
Ballard Street	<u>4,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 41,250.00

ASSETS:

Interest on Bond	14,000.00 (Est.)	
Hydrant Rental	9,466.66	
Checking Account	13,642.84	
Dover Federal Savings	1,800.00	
Trust Funds		20,000.00
1974 Accounts Receivable	1,757.00	
1975 Accounts Receivable	<u>65,346.60</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 106,013.10	

Sewer Maintenance Budget and Comparative Statement

		Budget 7/1/74 - <u>7/1/75</u>	Expended Through <u>12/31/74</u>	Proposed 7/1/75 - <u>12/31/75</u>
100	Salary, Payroll and Allowances			
101	Supt. of Public Works (25% UNH, 75% Town)	3,173.89	1,586.95	1,666.29
102	Plant & Pumping Station			
	102-1 Operator	*10,714.00	5,356.00	5,623.85
	102-2 Crew, full time	*14,606.15	7,303.08	7,667.73
	102-3 Other Labor	* 2,000.00	155.00	
103	Main Lines and Laterals			
	103-1 Shared lines (Force Main, College Brook Main, Pettee Brook Main)	* 1,000.00		
	103-2 Town Mains and Laterals	1,500.00	708.75	6,426.00
	103-3 Inflow		452.50	1,000.00
104	Office (20% UNH, 80% Town)	2,426.80	1,213.40	1,274.07
105	Treasurer	115.50	57.75	60.63
106	FICA	* 1,877.00	938.50	777.56
107	Short courses, dues, meetings	* <u>300.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u> </u>
	TOTAL, all 100 accounts	37,713.34	17,789.93	24,496.13
	<u>Expenses of Operation, other</u>			
200	Disposal Plant & Grounds			
	201 Electricity	* 2,100.00	1,154.34	1,327.49
	202 Heating Oil	* 1,360.00	681.08	783.24
	203 Chemicals	* 7,250.00	5,383.86	7,418.50
	204 Supplies, Operation & Maintenance	* 7,000.00	3,560.34	3,560.34
	205 Telephone & Alarm System	* 600.00	364.66	493.98
	206 Water	* 300.00	256.20	530.55
	207 Insurance	* <u>700.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>
	TOTAL, all 200 accounts	19,310.00	11,750.48	14,464.10
300	Pumping Stations			
	301 Dover Road			
	301-1 Electricity	* 4,000.00	1,841.88	2,118.16
	301-2 Repairs & Replacement	* 1,200.00	2,064.46	1,464.46
	301-3 Water	* 300.00	673.05	1,538.55
	302 Oyster River Road			
	302-1 Electricity	225.00	59.67	68.62
	302-2 Parts & Repairs	250.00		
	303 Ejector Station - Ritzman			
	303-1 Electricity	* 125.00	39.67	45.62
	303-2 Parts & Repairs	* <u>250.00</u>	<u>136.70</u>	<u>136.70</u>
	TOTAL, all 300 accounts	6,350.00	4,815.43	5,372.11

	Budget 7/1/74 - <u>7/1/75</u>	Expended Through <u>12/31/74</u>	Proposed 7/1/75 - <u>12/31/75</u>
400 Vehicle Operation & Expense	* 900.00	406.26	1,115.66
500 Office Expenses Printing, Postage & Supplies	125.00	127.83	102.83
600 Special Items	*12,950.00	480.15	2,500.00
700 Grease Facilities (100% Increase)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>200.00</u>
TOTAL - 400 through 700 accounts	13,975.00	1,014.24	3,918.49
GRAND TOTAL - NUMBERED ITEMS	\$ <u>77,348.34</u>	\$ <u>35,370.08</u>	\$ <u>48,250.83</u>

Items marked * Town Sewer Department share, One-third
UNH share, Two-thirds

TOWN ACCOUNTS EXPENDED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1974

	BUDGET 7/1/74 - 12/31/75	EXPENDED 7/1/74 - 12/31/74	UNEXPENDED As of 12/31/74
Town Officers Salary	106,751.73	36,052.03	70,699.70
Town Office Operating Expenses	42,770.00	15,719.85	27,050.15
Election & Registration	700.00	253.34	446.66
District Court	15,453.33	6,795.00	8,658.33
Town Office Building Expenses	7,150.00	2,221.33	4,928.67
Police Department	255,471.89	78,468.48	177,003.41
Fire Department	145,422.41	6,675.88 (1)	138,746.53
Dispatch Center	26,278.35	1,698.24 (1)	24,580.11
Public Works Department	239,898.27	97,553.59	142,344.68
New Construction & Maintenance	130,200.17	40,592.78	89,607.39
New Equipment	53,923.00	43,460.25	10,462.75
Miscellaneous Accounts	170,765.00	31,303.34	139,461.66
Trash Collection	18,310.42	4,041.88	14,268.54
Incinerator Operation	69,227.60	24,660.82	44,566.78
Water Bond Fund	515,000.00	-0-	515,000.00
Insurance	60,070.56	12,656.65	47,413.91
Indebtedness Payments	259,755.18	137,139.88	122,615.30
Overlay	-0-	455.24	(455.24)
Assistance	11,625.00	2,393.13	9,231.87
Contra Payroll Accounts	45,218.35	45,991.50 (2)	(773.15)
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GRAND TOTAL - General Accounts	\$ 2,173,991.26	\$ 588,133.21	\$ 1,585,858.05

Note: The amount of \$67,341.31 was carried forward from previous budget period.

1974-75 Budget:	\$2,106,649.95
Carried Forward:	<u>67,341.31</u>

FINAL GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS: \$2,173,991.26

- (1) In January 1975, a payment of \$27,763.18 was made to U.N.H. for Fire Protection Service from July 1, 1974 through November 22, 1974: Fire Department: \$22,415.52, Dispatch Center: \$5,347.66.
- (2) Contra Payroll accounts balance to zero at the end of the budget year.

Dispatch Center

The Durham-UNH Dispatch Center has completed its fifth year of operation. The Center handled 164,497 calls during the past calendar year.

The yearly totals have been as follows:	1971	47,691
	1972	71,318
	1973	131,795
	1974	164,497

The agencies utilizing the Durham-UNH Dispatch Center on daily basis include the:

Durham-UNH Fire Department	UNH Police Department
Durham Police Department	UNH Work Control
Durham Ambulance Corps	Lee Police Department

During 1974 there were additional services made available to the area departments. In August the Dispatch Center began 24 hour dispatching service for the UNH Police Department and acquired the tone capability of alerting members of the Lee Fire Department with radio monitors.

In September construction was begun on expanding the Dispatch Center to accommodate the Motorola dual position consoles. The installation of modern communications equipment will allow the Dispatcher to coordinate emergency traffic with a greater degree of efficiency. The console will also provide the capability of conducting radio work on one or more frequencies simultaneously.

During the past year there has been a constant turnover of Dispatch personnel. I hope that this problem has been resolved with the recent hiring of two new dispatchers. The Communications Bureau will now be at full strength with four permanent dispatchers and four regular substitute dispatch personnel.

Looking ahead to the coming year, I would like to see more cooperation between our various agencies, more efficiency in our operations. An essential part of a modern communications network is an effective recording system for both telephone and radio calls. The value of a tape system has been illustrated on numerous occasions in the past two and one half years by using the single channel tape recorder presently in the Dispatch Center. The use of three radio frequencies with the addition of four more frequencies and the present fourteen (14) phone lines necessitates the use of a quality multi-track tape recording system. The proper recording of in-coming and out-going radio transmission, telephoned bomb threats, police calls, fire and ambulance calls is essential.

Continued cooperation, additional equipment, added personnel and the comprehensive training of the Dispatchers will allow the Dispatch Center to attain a higher level of proficiency in providing quality communications for the safety and law enforcement agencies of Durham, UNH and the surrounding area.

I wish to express my appreciation to the UNH Fire Alarm Technicians, and the Fire Department officers for their invaluable assistance in assisting the personnel of the Durham-UNH Dispatch Center in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

William H. Wood
Senior Dispatcher

DURHAM-UNH DISPATCH CENTER
 RADIO & TELEPHONE CALLS HANDLED BY DISPATCH
 1/1/74 - 12/31/74

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
Fire Dept.	NE 121 483	99 646	122 883	131 1018	71 806	33 554	52 803	77 790	219 915	206 1123	259 1398	225 1286
Ambulance Corp	NE 19 R 206	50 359	43 517	55 537	47 521	34 413	40 442	34 390	38 392	41 416	71 673	68 637
Durham P.D.	NE 191 R 3081	248 2471	307 3374	262 2822	372 2012	371 1732	323 1784	280 2080	550 2025	522 2325	566 2525	570 2811
Durham P.D. Misc. Calls	NE 416	598	543	648	696	661	805	760	722	578	507	428
Durham P.D. M. Aid	NE 10	25	27	25	24	23	21	16	29	16	8	26
Lee P.D.	NE 97 R 547	112 441	93 422	91 693	136 978	194 1043	173 919	200 1180	215 1605	284 1397	260 482	212 506
UNH P.D.	NE 234 R 2402	363 2444	537 3083	608 3104	614 2812	394 2183	524 2513	600 2600	1350 2755	1496 2950	1623 3702	1497 3552
UNH Work Control	NE 139 R 378	291 462	312 353	293 425	264 384	164 332	152 283	220 280	240 395	213 297	516 425	572 437
UNH Misc.	NE 308	491	506	627	616	423	564	610	563	518	717	708
UNH Safety	NE1516 R 334	1673 243	1414 314	1454 89	1366 172	1302 104	1342 70	1270 90	1375 283	1460 276	1698 336	1773 382
Durham Public Works	NE 37 R 0	14 0	12 0	16 0	6 0	9 0	0 0	10 0	8 0	0 0	15 0	31 0
TOTALS:	NE3038 R 7431 10519	3964 7066 11030	3916 8946 12862	4210 8688 12898	4212 7685 11897	3608 6361 9969	3996 6814 10810	4077 7410 11487	5309 8370 13679	4254 8784 13038	6240 9539 15779	5910 9665 15575

DURHAM-UNH DISPATCH CENTER

1974

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>TELEPHONE CALLS</u>	<u>RADIO CALLS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Durham-UNH Fire Dept.	1,165	10,705	11,870
Durham Ambulance Corps	540	5,503	6,043
Durham Police Department*	12,174	29,042	41,216
Lee Police Department*	2,067	10,213	12,280
UNH Police Department	16,491	34,100	50,591
UNH Work Control*	3,376	4,451	7,827
UNH Safety Department*	17,643	2,693	20,336
Durham Public Works*	<u>158</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>158</u>
	53,614	96,707	150,321
Miscellaneous Calls (10%)			<u>15,032</u>
			165,353

*Dispatch coordinates communications : week nights 4:00 PM - 8:00 AM
weekends
holidays



Planning Board

The Planning Board continued its schedule of weekly meetings throughout the year. The first meeting of each month was used to receive applications for site reviews or subdivisions, or to hear from citizens who had specific proposals for consideration. The third meeting of each month was used for public hearings for site reviews or subdivisions.

There were no major subdivisions, several limited subdivisions, three major site reviews, plus a few small site reviews done this year. Central Durham has a new bank building in process now, a Housing for Older Persons complex about to be started, and an addition to the Shop and Save Market almost completed. Special thanks is here extended to the Hannaford Bros. Corp. and Messrs. Tamposi and Lehoulier for the Town Bulletin Board located on the westerly side of the newly constructed Shop and Save building.

The second, fourth and sometimes fifth meetings of each month were work sessions. The subdivision regulations were revised, sent to public hearings, adopted and reprinted. Information gathering work regarding a building code, a pipeline code, design and specifications for bicycle paths, federal flood hazard area, Town services space needs, and improvements for downtown Durham was done by the Planning Board and/or Mr. Rankin.

A Shoreland Conservation Zone, a Wetlands Conservation District, changes in the Durham Zoning Ordinance to allow condominiums and townhouses in certain zones, offices for professional and personal services in one zone, an Historic District and a petitioned article to enlarge the business zone are all to be voted upon in March 1975. The Planning Board continued the practice of spacing the public hearings regarding zoning changes so as to allow for constructive public participation.

The preparation of a Capital Expansion Program is in process. A model to be used to analyze costs of subdivisions and other kinds of development is being completed this spring by the Strafford Regional Planning Commission, The questionnaire requested by the 1974 Town Meeting was done and is being reported separately.

Two Planning Board members, Mr. Malcolm Neuhoff and Mr. John Cochrane are completing their terms. Their good work has been much appreciated.

Charles Burley, Secretary
John Cochrane
Alden Winn, rep. Selectmen
Rebecca B. W. Frost
Malcolm Neuhoff
Donald Melvin
M. Rae Borrer, Chairman

Questionnaire Report

The 1974 Town Meeting voted to ask a committee to assess the attitudes of the townspeople on growth issues. Rae Borrer, John Cochrane, and Rebecca Frost of the Planning Board, Maryanna Hatch and Jane Pokoski representing the citizens of the town, and Owen Durgin and Lawrence O'Connell of the Board of Selectmen were appointed to the committee.

After discussions with the petitioners and other citizens, it was decided to use the small appropriation for this project for a sampling of the attitudes of the householders of Durham. A sample of 100 persons was randomly selected according to standard practice to insure that all segments of the town would be represented.

The results presented interesting findings about the population characteristics of Durham, and the attitudes of its residents. There was general satisfaction for "things as they are" with interest in protecting what were seen as community assets, and suggestions for more positive action to pursue certain goals.

Durham has less than half as many pre-school children as the state average, and only half as many people over 65 as would be expected based on state figures. Of those sampled, two thirds own their own homes, and slightly more than two thirds work in Durham. The median length of residence was five and one half years, but thirty per cent of the respondents had lived in town for over 15 years. It seems clear that there is a high degree of mobility among the younger residents of the community. In summary, Durham families are mobile, small, professional, middle-aged and home owners according to our survey.

There was substantial agreement on a number of issues about which the respondents were asked to comment. For example, the indications for Durham Point are to reject any zoning change and to pursue efforts for recreation and conservation with emphasis on allowing the public more use of the land. Only two per cent thought there should be any town effort to provide trails for snow mobiles and other all terrain vehicles, while seventy per cent wanted bicycle paths built. Public transportation was seen as a positive opportunity, with citizen interest indicated in transportation systems linking Durham with Dover and Portsmouth. On the negative side, mobile home parks, high rise commercial development, and land acquisition for industrial and commercial uses were disapproved by the respondents.

There was substantial support for development of parks and recreation facilities, historic sites or zones, pollution control, standard subdivisions, town beautification, increased areas zoned for professional office buildings, and open space for public use.

Views were mixed on federally subsidized low income housing, light industrial development and zoning for multi-family units. The response almost exactly split even for or against either zoning more land for multi-unit use or the town's acquiring more land for multi-unit use. Half of those who wanted more land for this purpose wanted it within walking distance to UNH. (Historically the townspeople have resisted utilizing the residential center of town for privately owned apartments. The result has been a small Commercial Residential Zone which is nearly fully utilized and a variety of new university dormitories.)

Overall, those interviewed said in effect "The goals expressed in the Comprehensive Plan done 6 years ago have not changed substantially and the town should pursue the implementation of them adding bicycle paths as a high priority item". The committee notes that during the last several years town boards and committees have pursued many of the goals

which were supported by the respondents to the 1969 survey. For example, the town has acquired Spruce Hole and the Jackson land; it has undertaken the building of a skating rink, and it is still negotiating to build outdoor tennis courts; it has cooperated with the development of a UNH-Town Boat House for a rowing facility; and it has supported the Home Health Association and most recently, the Oyster River Youth Association.

At the 1975 Town Meeting, the citizens will have an opportunity to support or reject further implementation of some of the goals which were favored by the respondents to both the 1969 and 1974 studies.

Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission, over the years, has grown into a very active committee of the Town. This year the Commission met twice a month in order to meet its project goals.

The following are among the accomplishments of the Conservation Commission during the past year:

1. Acquisition of Spruce Hole

After lengthy negotiations, Mr. Norman Morgan of Lee, N.H. donated about 7.5 acres of land (Spruce Hole itself) to the Town of Durham and the Commission purchased an additional 5 acres around Spruce Hole. The Commission is currently arranging for the fencing of the southwest side of the property.

2. Acquisition of river-front property

The Commission arranged an exchange of a small parcel of land (60' X 60') from G.F. Sawyer, Jr. to complete the Town's ownership of the Old Landing Road property abutting Rt. 108 beside the Oyster River Bridge. This is a gracious exchange for a small parcel of town-owned land bordering the Sawyer property at the entrance of the driveway on Rt. 108. This transaction will only become final with a favorable vote of the 1975 Town Meeting. The Commission urges your support of this article. (see the 1975 Town Warrant)

3. Wetlands Conservation District

At the request of the 1974 Town Meeting, a proposal was drafted to establish a Wetland Conservation District and protect this critical area of our environment. (see the 1975 Town Warrant)

4. Shorelands Conservation Zone

A proposal was drafted to create a Shorelands Conservation Zone which will serve to protect our shoreline and the overall quality of our waterways. (see the 1975 Town Warrant)

5. Pettee Brook Easement

A conservation and walkway easement at the end of Bay View Road was granted by Walter Cheney, Inc. The Commission is working to obtain additional easements in that area.

6. Crommet Creek Easements

Following discussions and meetings, a proposed easement was drafted for all the land along Crommet Creek. To date, no commitments have been made.

7. Limited Use Roadways

All of the Class 6 roadways were mapped as part of a UNH class project in conjunction with the Commission. These are now being studied by the Parks and Recreation Committee as to their potential for recreational uses.

8. Open Space

The Commission worked with the Durham Planning Board in retaining open space in conjunction with subdivisions.

9. Dredge and Fill Permits

All Dredge and Fill applications submitted during the past year were reviewed by the Commission.

The Commission is also actively engaged in a number of ongoing projects related to its long-range goal of protecting the quality of our environment to the benefit of the Town and all of its citizens.

Walter W. Cheney, Chairman
Richard Strout, Treasurer
Oliver P. Wallace, Secretary
Lawrence W. O'Connell
Nancy Sandberg
Donald Melvin
Herbert Jackson
John W. Hatch



Construction of New Four Million Gallon
Water Tank - Foundation

Durham Ambulance Corps

1974 was an exceptionally busy year for the Durham Ambulance Corps. The total of 484 runs shows an increase of 25% over 1973 in services provided to the area communities. The Corps was founded in 1968 in memory of Dr. George C. MacBregor, Durham's well-known family physician, and provides free emergency medical care and ambulance service to residents of Durham, Lee, and Madbury, and to University students and employees.

The volunteer members of the Corps made themselves available for over 15,000 man-hours of "on-call" standby duty. When a member is "on-call", he or she carries a pocket size paging unit which can be activated by the Durham-UNH Dispatch Center. Corps members can then quickly respond to the fire station, whether they are at work, in class, at home, or even out shopping. The use of these pagers has proved to be very effective in reducing the response time of the ambulance by eliminating the need to notify crews by telephone.

One of the most important activities of the Corps is a continuous, up-to-date training program. Members are skilled in such areas as cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, automobile rescue and extrication, bleeding, fractures, poisonings and overdoses, head injuries, spinal injuries, emergency childbirth, and dealing with unruly or psychologically disturbed patients. Practice sessions are held every month, and most members have graduated from the State's 81-hour Emergency Medical Technician-Ambulance (EMT-A) Training Program. In fact, the Corps is proud to have several EMT-A instructors as members. All members are licensed as ambulance attendants by the State of New Hampshire.

Several mutual aid training sessions with area ambulance services, police and fire departments were held throughout the year. In particular, Corps members worked extensively with the Dover Police Department's Hurst Rescue Tool. The Hurst Tool is a hydraulically operated "jaw" that can pry open a crushed car in minutes. This cooperative training effort paid off dramatically last summer when a well-known University professor was rescued from a head-on collision on US Route 4. The Corps trains jointly with the Durham-UNH Fire Department in ice rescue and woods search and rescue techniques, and frequently assists at fire scenes. Members also presented several training sessions and demonstrations of automobile extrication techniques to a number of communities throughout the state.

Several important pieces of equipment were purchased this year with Corps funds. A portable multi-channel two-way radio has enabled us to increase our capabilities at major accidents where it is necessary to communicate with fire, police, and hospital agencies. The radio is also used on calls when the crew must go some distance from the ambulance, such as in high-rise buildings or wooded areas. An electronic pulse monitor was acquired for use with critically injured or heart attack patients.

During New Hampshire Ambulance Week, the Corps co-hosted the New Hampshire Ambulance Association's displays and demonstrations at the Dover Armory. Throughout the year, presentations on first aid and ambulance work were made before Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and other community groups on request.

The MacBregor Memorial Ambulance presently operated by the Corps is a 1972 Cadillac. Based on the increasing needs of the community, we are looking into the possibility of purchasing an additional or replacement vehicle. Hopefully, Federal funds will again be available for this purpose.

Because the Durham Ambulance Corps is a volunteer service, we are able to provide top quality emergency care at nearly one-quarter of the cost of a fully salaried municipal service. A recent national survey revealed that it costs nearly \$45,000 to operate a one ambulance municipal service. This is a tremendous figure when compared to the \$12,000 total budget within which we presently operate.

In order for us to continue with our present level of service, we need to recruit more full time residents and members. Many of our members are UNH students, and therefore we are often quite short-handed during school vacations and the summer months. All that is required is 48-hours per month of on-call availability, and a desire to learn and help others. We will train you, and the work is extremely rewarding.

The Durham Ambulance Corps would like to express its sincere appreciation to the many residents who have given very generous donations to the Corps, and to the Durham-UNH Fire Department for providing housing facilities and dispatching services, even though the fire station is sorely inadequate for its own equipment.

SUMMARY OF CALLS

Durham	168 (37)	35%
UNH	211	43%
Lee	53 (19)	11%
Madbury	10 (4)	2%
Barrington	32 (4)	7%
Nottingham	8 (4)	2%
Newmarket	1	
Northwood	1	
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TOTAL	484 (68)	100%
() indicates automobile accident		

Respectfully submitted,

Donald P. Bliss
President

Leigh G. Hansen
Secretary

Robert P. Wood
First Vice-President

L. Franklin Heald
Treasurer

Martin F. Smith
Second Vice-President

William H. Wood, III
Training Officer

Building Inspector

Total Permits	111
Denied	<u>1</u>
Net Permits	110
Residential Construction	18
Residential Greenhouse	1
Residential Additions & Renovations (garages and fences)	58
Commercial Construction	12
Commercial Signs	8
Miscellaneous:	
Driveways,	
Septic systems, demolitions, etc.	11
Swimming Pools	1
Non taxable Construction	<u>1</u>
Total Permits Issued	110
Fees: 1974 Permit Fees	\$1,899.41
1974 Sewer Entry Fees	3,639.00
1974 Septic System Fees	315.00

1974 Residential Construction Totaled 18 single family units and no new apartment units.

Total new permit valuation: \$1,552,954.00

Sheldon Prescott
Durham Building Inspector

Welfare Officer

Fifteen households or a total of 45 persons received assistance in 1974. The cost to the Town was \$5,560., less \$1,000. repaid to the Town by one recipient.

For Durham as elsewhere in the State, the year 1974 was one where the cost of living and unemployment continued to rise. The words unemployment, unemployment benefits, unemployment rate and food stamps became very familiar. Those of us who did not lose our own jobs knew people who did. We learned something of the helplessness and despair that unexpected joblessness brings. At the end of 1974 the unemployment rate in the Dover area rose to 7.3%.

The State of New Hampshire became the last of the 50 states to replace the federal donated or surplus foods program with the federal food stamp program. Food stamps were sold at the Durham Town Office beginning in October. There were 394 transactions of which about two thirds were with Durham residents.

Food stamps are coupons which eligible persons buy and use like money to purchase food in grocery stores. The less income you have the less you pay for food stamps. All households of the same size get the same amount of food stamps. Purchases may be made twice a month.

The food stamp program is a federal program run by the New Hampshire Department of Welfare. A Durham resident wishing to apply for food stamps must go to the Dover office of the state welfare department for an application and an interview. Certification takes about a month. Many more people are eligible for food stamps than were eligible for donated foods. If you think you qualify call 749-2210 for information.

At this time last year Durham families participating in the Aid to Mothers with Dependent Children state welfare program were faced with the possibility of a flat grant welfare system. Fortunately this did not happen. Those families eligible for state assistance are receiving consolidated grants which are a combination of a flat grant with consideration for special needs.

In my 1973 report I spoke optimistically about the federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program which was designed to provide a guaranteed minimum income of \$130. per month to all those 65 and over. I regret to report that that program has been marred by delays, confusion and bitter disappointment.

The purpose of local welfare assistance is to provide temporary financial help to persons and families ineligible for county, state and or federal assistance. I also have information about other agencies and sources of help including the new Rockingham/ Strafford County Manpower program which is a federally funded job program for the unemployed. Call the Town Office for information.

Ursula Bowring

Oyster River Home Health Association

The Oyster River Home Health Association is a Visiting Nurse Association incorporated February 12, 1967, to serve the towns of Durham, Lee, Madbury and Newmarket. The Board of Directors consists of five residents from each of the towns; standing committees include representatives from related professional fields.

In the past year we have enlarged our staff to include a second full time nurse. At the present time we have an Administrative Nurse, one full time nurse, one part time nurse and a Physical Therapist who works on a contract basis. We will continue to add working hours to our staff as the patient load demands.

We have had four State Contracts continued in the past year: Dover Family Planning, Bureau of Communicable Disease Control, Aftercare Program, and Maternal and Child Health Program.

Under the Dover Family Planning Contract we make a visit to a referred patient in our area both before and after the birth of her child. This past year we had two patients under this contract and one of them has continued to use our services through the Well Child Conference.

Our contract with the Bureau of Communicable Disease Control deals directly with TB patients. We made approximately 55 skilled nursing visits to these patients who are referred to us by the Bureau. Most of these visits are monthly visits to patients who are on controlled medication and we also do Tine testing in households where TB may be present.

The Aftercare Program involves the visiting of patients referred to our Agency after they have been discharged from the State Hospital. It also involves regular conferences with specialists reviewing cases, etc. 81 hours were spent in this program this year by all the nurses in the Agency.

Our Maternal and Child Health Program continues to grow each year with more services to the children of the area. Our Well Child Conference, held the third Monday of each month at the Newmarket Fire Station, serves the pre-school children of the four towns. At this clinic the children are examined by a physician and they receive the prescribed inoculations and are closely followed until they enter school. There is much clerical work involved in the program both before and after the clinic, including many follow up visits. Before a patient is accepted by the Clinic, a complete history must be taken by one of our nurses. This involves a home visit. Each new mother in the four towns receives a free nursing visit following her return from the hospital. We receive these referrals direct from the local hospitals. We have become involved in the Newmarket Day Care Center. We are helping them to set up a good health program by revising records, health teaching, seeing that more children attend the Well Child Conference for immunizations and medical problems and we are making referrals to other state agencies for specific medical problems.

Along with the above services, we continue to visit any patients referred to us by a physician. The working day for our Administrative and full time nurses is 8:00 - 4:00. The phone (868-5055) will always be answered between 8:00 and 9:30 am. It is also possible to reach the nurses after noon providing they do not have meetings or educational functions to attend. Our Physical Therapist is available on doctor's orders. Statistics on our visits and nursing hours follows this report.

The Association is supported by tax deductible contributions from organizations and individuals, by memorial gifts, memberships, nursing fees,

and funds voted by the four towns. In addition, we have received grants from the State and Federal Governments for specific programs for specific periods of time. Continued support from the towns at the 1974 Town Meetings is anticipated.

<u>Executive Committee</u>		<u>Nursing Staff</u>	
Pres.	Mrs. Russell Harmon	Administrative Nurse	Linda Gill, RN
Vice Pres.	Mrs. Irving Brown	Full Time Nurse	Pam Murray, RN
Secretary	Mrs. H. H. Wooster	Part Time Nurse	Sue Griffith, RN
Treasurer	Dr. Everett Sackett	Physical Therapist	Lillian
Rep. to Ex. Comm.	Mrs. Eleanore Evans	Bookkeeper-Sec.	Charron, RPT Gail Childs

Statistics July 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974

Town	Health Promo- tion Visits	Disease Con- trol Visits	Physical Therapy Visits	Patients Not Found
Durham	118	523	179	36
Lee	59	155	64	5
Madbury	34	27	31	11
Newmarket	133	483	99½	70
Totals	344	1188	373	122

A grand total of 2,101 visits was made by the Agency in the 1973-74 fiscal year. A total of 3,678½ hours was spent by the nurses on the job. 67% of this time was spent visiting referred patients, recording charts, phone calls with physicians regarding patients. The other 33% of the time was devoted to Clinics, Staff Development and In-Service Education, Community projects, etc.

47% of our patients during the past year were over 65. This continues to be our largest area of service. Most patients are referred to the Agency by the physician or by the hospital coordinator. Due to the fact that we have such a large group over 65, Medicare covers much of the visiting. However, we refuse service to no patient. Fees are scaled according to the ability of the patient to pay.

Complete statistics are kept by the Agency on all patients. This is a requirement of the State and must be submitted bi-annually to them. They in turn compile the figures from all the Agencies over the state and make a master report.

Financial Statement

	Actual '72-'73	Actual '73-'74	Budget '74-'75
INCOME			
Patient Services	\$ 7,696.90	\$13,872.00	\$13,500.00
MCH, Aftercare, Dover FP	1,800.00	3,870.00	2,500.00
Medicare & Title XIX	1,579.00	1,731.00	- - - -
Town Grants	5,574.00	5,675.00	6,125.00
Donations and Memberships	1,499.50	1,164.00	1,200.00
Interest & Miscellaneous	561.60	577.75	500.00
Totals	\$18,711.00	\$26,889.75	\$23,825.00
EXPENDITURES			
Salaries	\$15,850.90	\$17,320.71	\$19,000.00
FICA Taxes	865.86	1,007.64	1,100.00
Travel (Mileage)	967.84	1,022.78	1,280.00
Legal and Accounting	276.00	35.00	100.00
Insurance	208.85	208.04	300.00
Operating Expenses	1,695.28	1,298.44	1,995.00
Miscellaneous	8.76	- - -	50.00
Totals	\$19,873.49	\$20,892.61	\$23,825.00
Profit or Loss	(\$1,162.49)	+\$5,997.14	?? ??

Parks and Recreation Committee

The Parks and Recreation Committee meets once a month and invites interested persons to attend the meetings. The past year has seen a mixture of frustration and some achievement.

A Durham-UNH Rowing Club should be in full swing this summer with development of a facility at Jackson Landing. The Club is to be open to Durham residents and to members of the University on an equal dues basis. A shed has been constructed for shell storage and a launching ramp and float are to be placed off the existing dock. Plantings are planned to partially shield the shed from view.

This marks the first year that the ORYA fund drive has been supplanted by tax revenue from the three towns, and it appears to be working well. Previously a great deal of time and energy was expended to raise a relatively small amount of money, and the present arrangement frees a number of people to spend more time on youth programs and less time trying to raise money.

As of this writing the skating rink is getting good use between all too frequent January thaws and snowstorms. A warming hut has been a useful addition, kindly built by Frank Malone for cost of materials only.

To date progress on the tennis courts has been disappointingly slow to say the least. The holdup has been in the state's processing the town's application for matching funds. Recent events suggest some progress may be forthcoming. Meanwhile another summer fast approaches and construction costs rise.

We are currently looking into possible land acquisition for baseball field development, however we are rapidly discovering that suitable land within reasonable distance from town is at a premium and perhaps simply not available. Suggestions re:possible land acquisition sites are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Barth, Chairman

Minutes of Town Meeting

The meeting was called to order March 5, 1974, at 8 a.m. at the Oyster River High School Cafeteria by Moderator Joseph Michael, who read Articles 1 through 11. It was moved by Alden Winn, seconded by Malcolm Chase, that action on Articles 1 and 3 through 11 begin immediately and that the polls close at 7 p.m. and action on Articles 2 and 12 through 40 be postponed until 7 p.m. March 6, 1974, at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium. Motion carried. All election officials having been sworn, the polls were declared open at 8:20 a.m., and the Moderator continued with the reading of the warrant.

The results of the balloting on Articles 1 and 3 through 11:

Article 1. (Town Officers)

Selectman	Jane P. Pokoski	527
	Alden L. Winn	915
Trustee of Trust Funds	Samuel W. Hoitt	1,258
Budget Committee (To Choose Four)	Kathleen Irene Fleming	1,076
	Rebecca B. W. Frost	1,159
	William F. Robinson, Jr.	1,158
	Katherine Wheeler	1,158
Budget Committee (To Choose Two)	William S. Connell	1,108
	Monica Smith	1,043

Article 3. (Constitutional Convention)

Ursula Bowring	329	T. Willard Hunter	121
Nell E. Chamberlin	917	William L. Prince	360
Peter J. Donahue	304	Samuel R. Reid	531
Geraldine H. Fogarty	87	Francis E. Robinson	679
Bernard K. Gordon	268	Lawrence H. Rouillard	351
Ruth D. Greenwood	116	Everett B. Sackett	445
George M. Haslerud	287	Donn E. Springer	121
James O. Horrigan	453		

Article 4. (Homeowner's Exemption) YES 455 NO 982

Article 5. (Zoning) YES 894 NO 518

Article 6. (Zoning) YES 1,005 NO 367

Article 7. (Zoning) YES 1,080 NO 254

Article 8. (Zoning) YES 1,128 NO 242

Article 9. (Zoning) YES 1,119 NO 255

Article 10. (Zoning) YES 648 NO 721

Article 11. (Zoning) YES 241 NO 1,149

Total ballots cast: 1,489

Balloting was suspended at 7 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.

Due to the size of the crowd being checked into the room, the meeting did not reconvene until 7:48 p.m. March 6, 1974, at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium. Moderator Michael read the results of the election and thanked those people who had helped count votes until midnight the previous night. Mr. Michael then thanked Edmund Dickerman for serving meals to the election officials during the balloting on Tuesday and L. Franklin Heald for acting as Assistant Moderator during the Town Meeting.

Mr. Michael then told the meeting that he had been approached by various members of the news media who asked if they could record the events of that night's Town Meeting session. Mr. Michael had told them it would be up to the voters. The questions were individually voted on by the meeting, and permission was granted for the use of film cameras, radio equipment, and still cameras.

Next Mr. Michael read a letter from Governor Thomson asking that the voters consider the question of an oil refinery for the State of New Hampshire. The Moderator then read a section of R.S.A. 40 which gives the moderator special power during a debate. Mr. Michael then introduced Major Pierce and Captain Griswold from Pease Air Force Base. They presented a news release of March 6, 1974, which stated that the Base has not received a request to put a pipeline through a portion of the air base. They have been informed that the Olympic Oil Company's plans might require an easement through for the pipeline. Olympic has been told they should explore other sites for the pipeline before asking for permission to construct it through the base.

It was moved by Alden Winn, seconded by Malcolm Chase, that consideration of Articles 2, 12 and 13 be postponed until after consideration of Article 14. Motion carried. It was moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded by Owen Durgin, that the vote on Article 14 be by written ballot. Motion carried. James Chamberlin moved that in as much as all voters obtained a voting I.D. card when they entered the hall and their names were checked off the list, this card should be accepted as identification to receive a ballot when voting. Seconded by Owen Durgin. Motion carried.

Article 14. Moved by James Chamberlin, seconded by Lawrence O'Connell, that the Town vote in favor of amending the Durham Zoning Ordinance to permit an oil refinery. The Moderator asked that no one speak on this article twice until everyone has had a chance to speak once, and that no one speak more than two minutes. He also asked that anyone wishing to speak come up on the stage and use the microphone. Mr. Michael said he had a request that the question be called immediately. As this would shut off all discussion, he asked that this not be done so that everyone could have their chance to speak.

Hans Heilbronner moved that discussion on Article 14 be restricted to no more than one hour and that speakers limit themselves to no more than two minutes. Seconded. Mr. Michael then said that using his power as Moderator, he would set a limit of one hour for the discussion, and the motion was withdrawn.

Nancy Sandberg said that the people of Durham had been listening to plans for a refinery and discussions on the subject for months, and she urged that the Town vote against Article 14. She said that that night Durham's voice would be heard. Murell Thompson said that Olympic Oil had presented plans to the cities and towns of the State for a clean, safe refinery on Durham Point; the international reputation of the various consultants is well known. The results of the studies have been documented and made available for everyone to see. He said that the refinery would be built in a manner that would safe guard the environment, and he urged that the people vote on the basis of known facts rather than emotion and hysteria.

Jane Forste, President of the Durham League of Women Voters, said she supports the concept of town planning as presented in Durham's Comprehensive Plan adopted in 1969. It recommends that no industry be advised for the area of Durham Point and that light industry be allowed only after permission is granted by the Planning Board of the Town. This clearly prohibits a refinery, and the League urges voting against a refinery and thereby allow the Town to determine its own future.

Lawrence O'Connell, speaking for the Board of Selectmen, stated that the position of the Board was read at Sunday's meeting. It said that the Board would insist on the right of this community to make decisions regarding its own future. Mr. O'Connell said that last fall he had stated his personal opposition to the refinery and he urged that the people vote no on Article 14.

Freeman Bowley said that as a person who is concerned with the plight of the elderly and blind in Durham, he urged that Article 14 be adopted so that some tax relief might be granted that would help these people. John Miller said that no alternate sites have been considered by Olympic, and the decision to build a refinery in Durham is an arbitrary one and has not been justified.

Sidney Eder said that the real issue was whether or not the Town would have a right to determine its own destiny. John Barrett said that the article was poorly drafted in legal terms. He felt that to pass Article 14 would be to allow "Spot Zoning," which is in violation of New Hampshire law. If this article is passed, it could be amended at some future date to allow creation of an industrial zone. He urged that the article be defeated.

John Pokoski said that he wanted to speak to those people who have not yet made up their minds how they would vote. As an engineer he has some experience in this area. Some of the techniques being proposed have not been tested and too short a time has been given for such an important study. He feels that the burden of proof should be on the people giving the report. Bart Jordan said that he agreed with Murell Thompson, who had said that the consultants were cool under fire, but he was concerned that the manner in which they had gotten onto the platform to speak was less than honest. Mr. Jordan suggested that Olympic put forth a set sum of money based on the amount they would spend. The Town could use this money to get its own consultants by which to check their facts.

Joseph Hadam said that the experts had neglected the social aspects of this problem; they have not addressed themselves to the question of how the lives of the people of Durham would be changed. He said he had left New Jersey because of the social conditions there, and he would not like to have to flee Durham for the same reason. He said that the taxes would be increased to serve the needs of the refinery not lowered as the experts say.

Evelyn Browne said that her property would be closer to the refinery than any one elses. Miss Browne said that the Olympic model was very inaccurate as to recreational facilities with regard to bridle trails, parks, etc. She feels that the Town should be left alone to develop its own facilities on Durham Point and along Crommet Creek. Galen Jones said that the oil supplies would be gone by the year 2,000 and the remaining crude oil would be used up within a decade or two. We have polluted the eastern coast (New Jersey and Massachusetts); did we want to ruin the New Hampshire seacoast and damage the tourist industry of this state? He urged that the State be preserved for future generations.

William Caiazza spoke next and said that he has been in Durham one year and lived in the house closest to the refinery site. He said he and his family had a choice of living anywhere in New England, but they had chosen Durham. He hopes that the people realize what they have and that they preserve it.

Mary Bowley said that she knows life would be different in Durham if we had a refinery, but she asked that everyone think about the number of people in the area who would be helped by new jobs that would develop. James Horrigan said he is opposed to the refinery, but he also is opposed to the company that would build it. He knows only that the company Olympic Maritime is incorporated in Monaco and is owned by Aristotle Onassis; no other information is available.

Lawrence Rouillard suggested a regional resolution on a refinery in New England, and he urged the defeat of Article 14. James Staigers said he had served 28 years in the army and he was not a resident of New Hampshire then. When he retired from the service he had the whole world to choose from, and he chose New Hampshire. He said

he was disturbed that some of the people in the State feel that we are concerned only about Durham. He urged that foreign economic interests not be allowed to spoil the State.

Bradford Kingman said his family has lived on Durham Point for generations. He is very concerned about the way in which Olympic procured their land options. Olympic now promises no present plans for petrochemical plants and satellite industry to result from the refinery. He questions their credibility. Mr. Kingman said he is opposed to the refinery and to Mr. Onassis and his operation.

Ursula Bowring urged the voters to defeat the article. She said we should not have to sacrifice our air and land and water for the sake of jobs. She suggested making the New Hampshire coast the world center of marine biology. Edmond Roelof said that Aristotile Onassis was indicted in 1953. Surplus ships could not be sold by the United States to companies owned by other than U.S. citizens; Onassis had misrepresented his company's financial operations in order to obtain some of these ships. As a result, he agreed to pay \$7,000,000 in penalties for the fraud.

Mr. Roelof said his father had taught him to always know with whom you are doing business, and he does not care to do business with Mr. Onassis.

Dudley Dudley said that at this point Durham was like the Titanic - we could only see the tip of the iceberg. Mrs. Dudley said that many of Olympic's facts have changed in recent weeks, such as the number of jobs that would be available from a refinery, the oil supply that has been promised to the State of New Hampshire but cannot now be given to us because of the ruling of the Federal Energy Office, possible Arab ownership of the plant to obtain crude oil, the promise of Olympic last fall not to force the refinery on the town, etc. She urged the defeat of the article to send a message to the Governor in the strongest voice we can that we want to hold on to our local options in determining how our town will grow. When she finished speaking, the meeting gave her a standing ovation for the work she has done in the past few months in drafting legislation that would give every town and city in the State the right to decide whether or not a refinery should be built in their municipality.

Alden Winn said that he was more concerned with the technical details of the refinery than with the vote tonight, except for what it symbolized. He said he was also concerned with the vote the next day in the Legislature which would affect Durham's right to decide on a refinery. He urged everyone to write or telephone their legislators and tell them how important tomorrow's vote is to each of us.

To clarify the article, Mr. Michael said that if you wish to vote in favor of the refinery, you should vote Yes; if you are opposed to the concept of a refinery, you should vote No. As it would take some time for everyone to vote and for the votes to be tabulated, and it was already 9:25, Mr. Michael asked the voters if they wished to close the meeting after the voting and adjourn at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday morning. The meeting approved the suggestion. The polls were opened at 9:30 p.m. and were closed at 10:32 p.m. There were 1,398 votes cast. The results were as follows: Yes 144, No 1,254. The article was defeated.

It was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the meeting stand adjourned until 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 9, 1974, in the Oyster River High School Gymnasium. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:35 a.m., March 9, 1974, at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium.

Article 2. Moved by Owen Durgin, seconded, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$130,000.00, or any other sum, in addition to the \$385,000.00 appropriated under Article 1 at the November 15, 1973, Special Town Meeting, for capital improvements to the Town's water system, including construction of a new storage tank, acquisition of easements, and laying new water mains; and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Durgin then moved to amend the article by deleting the words "or any other sum." Seconded. Mr. Durgin explained that the reason for the deletion was to conform to bond counsel's requirements as to the specificity of the sum voted by the Town Meeting.

Mr. Durgin said that requests for bids were sent out following the November Town Meeting, and when the bids were opened in January of this year, the cost of the tank itself was \$447,000.00, substantially in excess of the amount that had been anticipated. The remaining bids were about as they had been expected. The large increase in the cost of the tank was due to the increased cost of steel since last fall. The Selectmen considered breaking this down into some other kind of bidding package to get a better price. They were told that if they did not accept the bids they had, they would end up having bids turned in with an escalator clause in them (meaning that the bids would automatically go up with the price of steel). In reviewing the bids, it appeared that an additional \$130,000.00 would mean that the Board could meet the cost of the tank and the additional costs that they know will exist. The whole project would cost \$515,000.00. The vote was then taken on the amendment, and it passed.

Dwight Ladd asked if we would have any problems in getting bonds approved because this was voted at an adjourned session of the meeting. Mr. Michael said that he thought there would be no problem with this vote. David Larson asked if the cost of this additional money would be carried by the water users. Mr. Durgin said that it would, as no previous agreements had been changed. The Moderator reminded everyone that this article required a 2/3 vote to pass and that the polls had to remain open for at least two hours. The polls were opened at 9:55 a.m. The meeting went on with its business, and the polls were closed at 12:07 p.m. There were 524 ballots cast: Yes 462, No 61, and one blank. The Moderator declared the article adopted.

Article 12. Moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the Town vote to adopt the provisions of "An Act Permitting the Town of Durham to Revert to a Calendar Year Accounting Period and Providing for an Appropriate Transitional Budget," enacted by the 1973 session of the General Court. (HB 952) (RSA 406) Mr. Chamberlin said that the Board of Selectmen was unanimous in its support of this article and that there were very few advantages in going to the July to June fiscal year. Henry Davis reported that the Budget Committee had voted to support reverting back to the calendar year. Lawrence O'Connell said that a year ago he had favored the change to a fiscal year, but after a year as a Selectman, he felt that the change back to the calendar year would be best. Alden Winn said that if the Town voted to adopt this article, there would be no need for the additional tax bill in June, and the tax bill in December would be a regular size bill. After further discussion, a vote was taken, and the article was adopted.

Article 13. Moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that Article 13 be tabled, as with the passage of Article 12 there was no longer any need for this article. Motion carried.

Article 15. Moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to lease a portion of Strafford Avenue to the University of New Hampshire subject to the conditions as outlined in the warrant article. Mr. Chase said that last year the Selectmen were authorized to accept funds to improve the parking and the roadway on Strafford Avenue. He said the Town has benefited from these improvements. This article was requested by the University to help them control the parking in that area. The University hopes to construct off-street parking for the New England Center. Mr. Chase said that the Town would remain in control of the road and would plow and maintain it.

William Lockhardt asked if the University was using this as a wedge against the Town; would they take away the parking lot next to Newsky's which is leased to us if we don't approve this article? Mr. Chase said that the two matters were not related. Virginia Snively moved to amend the article by adding the word "not" under Section (c) so the article would read "...which shall not include the right to erect parking meters" and delete the rest of that sentence. Seconded by Robin Willits. Hans Heilbronner asked who would patrol this area and who would collect the money from

the meters. Eugene Leaver, speaking for the University, said that the University would use the money from the parking meters to pay for the maintenance of the parking area, and therefore, if this amendment passed, the University would not be interested in the lease. Alden Winn said that Strafford Avenue is used almost totally for parking by patrons of the New England Center, and if the University does not get the lease and put in parking meters, the Town might have to meter Strafford Avenue. This would mean extra police to patrol the meters. By granting the lease, the University would be responsible for the patrolling and maintenance of the parking area and the meters. After further discussion, the vote was taken on the amendment. The amendment was defeated. The vote was then taken on the article as originally proposed, and the motion carried.

Article 16. Moved by Alexander Amell, seconded by Lawrence O'Connell, that the Town vote to accept from Walter W. Cheney, Inc., a donation of Lots #79, 80, 81, 82, and 83 in Woodridge Subdivision to be used as part of the Town's matching share of Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation Funds in the construction of tennis courts thereon, and other recreational purposes. Mr. Amell said that last year the Town voted to spend money for the construction of a skating rink and/or tennis courts. Some of this money was used to hire a consultant. Mr. Cheney has offered these five lots to the Town if they are used for recreational purposes and if the Town applies to the State for Bureau of Outdoor Recreation funds. Mr. Barnaby, the consultant, recommended that these courts be constructed on these lots. At the public hearing on this matter held by the Parks and Recreation Committee, it was recommended that only the tennis courts be constructed on the lots and that the rest of the land be left in its present state for conservation purposes. Mr. Cheney has agreed with this. The lots have been appraised for \$38,000. The Town would be able to use this appraised value of the lots to apply for \$38,000 in matching funds from BOR.

Robert Harter said that he felt the lots would be difficult to drain. We would probably have to resurface the tennis courts every spring due to frost heaves. He asked what the procedure would be in constructing the courts to do away with this maintenance every spring. Lawrence O'Connell read a letter from the Soil Conservation Service to Henry LeClair stating that they felt the drainage would be better after the courts have been constructed, but it would take a survey to know for certain. Hugh Mulligan asked what the cost would be to drain the land and construct the courts. Mr. Amell said it was \$50,000. Bernard Gordon said that he felt the opportunity to obtain the tennis courts with matching BOR funds was a good one, and he urged that the article be supported. Marie Polk said that this site was not selected just because it was a free gift; many sites had been looked at closely. The University courts are now full and the general public must get special permission to use them.

After some discussion, Richard Dewey moved to amend the article by adding to the last line after "and" the word "/or." Seconded. Mr. Dewey said that this would be dependent on the engineering study as to whether this land could really be used for the courts. Mr. Amell said he opposed the amendment. James Horrigan asked if the land would be given to the Conservation Commission if the tennis courts are not constructed. Mr. Amell said that it would; the Parks and Recreation Committee wants this land for tennis courts and nothing else. Mr. Dewey then withdrew his amendment. Michael Kole moved to delete the rest of the article after the word "thereon" and add "contingent upon the approval of the Soil Conservation Service and the State Special Board to insure that construction will not affect adversely surface water patterns in the area." Seconded. Mr. Mulligan then moved to amend the amendment by limiting the number of tennis courts to four. Seconded. Mr. Amell said that if the Town voted to limit the number to four, the Parks and Recreation Committee might reconsider this project in the light of the fact that there can be no future expansion to allow more courts. Mr. Gordon said that he felt the amendment proposed by Mr. Kole would protect the abutters. Keith Polk said that sometimes you can get five courts for the price of ofur, and therefore would not like to see the number limited.

A vote was then taken on the Mulligan amendment, and it was defeated. The vote was then taken on Mr. Kole's amendment, and it passed. The vote was then taken on the article as amended: Yes 336, No 146. Article adopted.

Article 17. Moved by Alexander Amell, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,000 for the construction of tennis courts, with Town costs estimated at \$11,000, and to authorize the Selectmen to apply to the Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation for construction funds on a matching basis, with the Town's matching funds to include the value of the donated lots on which the tennis courts are to be located, and that such appropriation, if authorized, be added to the Parks and Recreation budget. It was then moved and seconded that the article be postponed until after the budget has been considered. The vote was Yes 239, No 182. Motion carried.

Michael Kole moved to consider Article 36 (budget) immediately. Seconded. Mr. Chamberlin said that if we voted on the budget now, no articles concerning money could be taken up later in the meeting. Oliver Wallace moved that the motion be tabled. Seconded. Motion carried. The Moderator then declared the polls closed at 12:07 p.m. for voting on the water bond issue.

Article 18. Moved by James Ramsay, seconded, that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer or deed a reduction in an existing pass way easement across the property of Philip Trimble and Patricia Trimble, Lot 91 Frost Drive, from sixteen feet to eight feet and to change the path of the easement as described in the warrant. Owen Durgin moved to strike the words "transfer or deed a reduction" and substitute the words "execute a modification" and add following the words "G. L. Davis & Associates" the words "All costs associated with this modification should be born by the owners of Lot 91." Seconded. Glen Gerhard said that the Planning Board had no objections. The amendment was approved. The vote was then taken on the article as amended, and it was adopted.

Article 19. Moved by Nell Chamberlin, seconded, that the Town vote to return to two-way traffic on Main Street and Madbury Road, with traffic to be controlled by the installation of traffic lights or some other method of safe and efficient control. Mrs. Chamberlin then spoke to the article and urged that it be adopted. Joseph Murdoch, speaking for the Oyster River School Board, said that the bus coordinator favors the present pattern over the previous one. Mr. Murdoch said there are some problems with the one-way system, but the Board recommended that the one-way system be retained and that the problems be solved by way of some changes.

Anita Gordon moved to amend the article by deleting everything following "Main Street and Madbury Road." Seconded. The amendment was defeated. Lt. Ronald McGowen, speaking for the Durham Police Department, said that the one-way system should continue. He said that the safety of people and the reduction of congestion must be considered; some people are concerned about the speed of cars traveling through the traffic pattern, and that is being investigated. But since the one-way system was started, there have been no major accidents, no serious injuries, and the much of the congestion has been eliminated in the center of Town.

Bernard Gordon moved to amend the article by adding after the words "traffic to be controlled" the words "at peak traffic periods only." Seconded. Amendment was defeated. The vote was then taken on the original motion, and it was defeated.

At 12:45 p.m. it was moved and seconded that the meeting break for lunch until 1:15 p.m. Motion carried. The meeting reconvened at 1:35 p.m.

Article 20. Moved by Ralph B. Craig, Jr., seconded, that the Town direct the Selectmen to establish a capital expansion program directed at prevention of premature subdivision of land. The program to be presented to the voters at the 1975 Town Meeting. Mr. Craig said that three years ago it was determined that the cost of Town services to newly constructed homes was greater than the money raised by taxes from these properties. The Growth Committee has been working and studying the growth of Durham, Lee and Madbury. Article 20 directs the Selectmen to establish a capital expansion program to control this growth; Article 21 deals with the premature subdivision of land; Article 22 is concerned with central water and sewer systems; and Article 23 deals with a conservation district. All of these articles were submitted as a result of the studies made by the Growth Committee.

Glen Gerhard said the Article 20 embraces the philosophy of the Planning Board; however, the zoning is a balance between the rights of the individual and the rights of the Town. He said the Planning Board would support Article 20. After some discussion, the vote was taken, and the article was adopted.

Article 21. Moved by Ralph Craig, Jr., seconded, that the voters of the Town require the preparation of cost/benefit studies for every site review or subdivision except those relating to the items listed in the warrant, and that the cost/benefit studies evaluate such things as school population, tax revenue, water, sewer, fire and police protection, road maintenance, etc. In the event that the studies indicate a deficiency in one of the above areas, the project shall be classified as premature. This requirement shall become a part of the Town subdivision regulations and site review regulations.

Mr. Craig moved to add the words "or more" following the words "indicate a deficiency in one." Seconded. Motion carried. After some discussion, Murell Thompson moved to table the article. Motion lost. Alden Winn moved to substitute for the last complete sentence on Page W3 the words "The Planning Board shall consider such cost/benefit studies in making its determination as to whether or not such project shall be classified as premature." Seconded. Malcolm Chase said that he felt the Planning Board should make a recommendation on the article. After further discussion, Alexander Amell moved to refer Article 21 to the Planning Board for recommendations to be made at next year's Town Meeting. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 22. Moved by Joseph Batcheller, seconded, that the article be referred to the Planning Board as the previous one had been. Motion carried.

Article 23. Moved by Ralph Craig, Jr., seconded, that the voters of the Town direct the Conservation Commission to study the establishment of a Conservation District Zone(s) in accordance with the comprehensive plan and to require the commission to initiate proposals in time to be voted on at the regular Town Meeting in 1975, or at any special Town Meeting, whichever occurs first. Richard Strout, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, said he was concerned about the time element involved. Mr. Strout said that he didn't think the Commission could make the deadline, especially if there is a special Town Meeting before the next annual meeting. He moved to amend the article by adding after the word "proposals" the words "to be voted on no later than the Town Meeting in 1976" and delete the rest of the article. Seconded. Joseph Murdoch moved to amend the motion by ending the article after "1975" as originally stated in the warrant. Seconded. Carried. The vote on the Strout amendment as amended was in the affirmative. The article was then adopted as amended.

Article 24. Moved by Bernard Gordon, seconded, that the Town request a Special or existing Committee to examine alternative land uses, property tax policies, and possible purchase of land areas by the Town, including but not limited to Durham Point, and to make recommendations to the Town at the 1975 Town Meeting. After some discussion, Jane Pokoski moved to change the words "Special or existing Committee" to "Planning Board or a special committee appointed by the Selectmen," and to add at the end of the article "and that the Town increase the budget of the Planning Board by \$500.00 for expenses of the project." Seconded. Owen Durgin said he felt this article was a vehicle to request an up-date of the Durham Comprehensive Plan and that this amendment would give the committee the money that was needed for this work. The amendment was passed, and the article was adopted as amended.

Article 25. Moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that the Town vote to extend Chesley Drive from its present terminus, in a westerly direction to join with Mill Road near the present entrance of the shopping center, and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and construct same with the use of local, State, and Federal funding under the Urban Road System. Mr. Winn said that if this article is adopted, Chesley Drive will extend through to Mill Road. Also, he said this was a good time to do this as there was a house lot at the end of Chesley Drive, and the Town should get this land before anyone builds on it. Dwight Ladd, who lives on Chesley Drive, asked if the Planning Board had considered the fact that the Comprehensive Plan does not recommend this. Glen Gerhard said that the Planning Board has discussed the matter

of the road extension, but not as it related to the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Gerhard said that the Planning Board would ask Tamposi and Lehoullier for the right-of-way along the brook. Mr. Ladd said that with the double "S" curve on Chesley Drive, he doesn't think it is possible to use the road for the amount of traffic that would result in an extension of the street.

Malcolm Chase said that he felt strongly that this would be a major improvement to the people in Town in making a connection with the business center. The Federal Highway Act of 1973 provides for aid for roads in an urban system. The State has allocated \$50,000 to be matched by about \$20,000. We would have a total of \$70,000 for the coming year. The State would handle the entire engineering and layout work. They also plan to do sidewalks and landscaping on Mill Road.

After more discussion, Hans Heilbronner moved to amend the article by adding after the words "Chesley Drive" the words "in the form of a foot and bicycle path" with the rest of the article remaining the same. Seconded. Mr. Winn said that he did think Tamposi and Lehoullier would be willing to give up their right-of-way for a foot or bicycle path. The vote was then taken on the amendment, and it passed. The article was then adopted as amended.

Article 26. Moved by Philip Wilcox, seconded by Lathrop Merrick, that the Town approve the appointment of a committee to consider the general recommendation of the Town Comprehensive Plan for establishing an Historic District. There was no discussion, and the article was adopted.

Article 27. Moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to enact an ordinance for the purpose of installing parking meters in the Town parking lot (North lot), and establish reasonable hours and charges for parking in connection with the installation of these meters. Mr. Chase said that the Selectmen are still convinced that the Town needs better control of the parking area in the North lot. This does not mean meters in the lot on Madbury Road. Mr. Chamberlin said that the lot has 65 parking stalls, and the lot has been used entirely by students, staff, and faculty of the University which leaves the Town no control and no parking for anyone in the center of the business district. The Selectmen are considering using a four-hour meter. The Planning Board has suggested posting signs for one and two-hour parking and leaving the lot behind ATO for stores, etc., due to the grandfather clause. The Planning Board does not wish to have meters. The vote was taken on the article: Yes 150, No 122. Article adopted.

Article 28. Moved by Glen Gerhard, seconded, that the Town authorize the Planning Board to charge site review application fees proportionate to the estimated value of proposed projects for the purpose of evaluation of those projects, but such fees shall not exceed the actual cost of evaluation. In the event the fee exceeds the cost, refund to the applicant shall be made. Mr. Gerhard said that the \$10.00 fee the Planning Board has been charging does not begin to cover the costs incurred in handling site reviews. Attorney Millimet recommended that this article be submitted as a result of our recent experience with Olympic. The article was adopted.

Article 29. Moved by Glen Gerhard, seconded by Hugh Pritchard, that the Town appropriate a sum of money to secure technical services for the evaluation of proposals for changes in zoning to permit heavy industry. Mr. Gerhard then offered a substitute motion as follows: "Moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to secure technical services for the evaluation of the impact of heavy industry in Durham and adjacent towns on the orderly development of the Town of Durham." Seconded. Mr. Gerhard said that it falls on the Planning Board to hold public hearings before any zoning changes are made or before any site reviews are granted. The Board does not have the expertise to evaluate the plans of someone like Olympic. He said he did not think we were through with Olympic yet; they may pursue their plans in Durham, or they may go to Newmarket. The Planning Board doesn't know whether or not it will need to spend this money; they will only spend it if the need arises. In the event that the Board was asked to evaluate something like the Olympic plans, there would not be time to have a special Town Meeting to obtain the funds for such an evaluation.

David Larson moved to amend the article by requiring that the proposer for the revision in the zoning ordinance to permit light or heavy industry shall bear all research and technical costs. Seconded. Mr. Larson said that anyone coming to the Town with these proposals should be willing to bear the costs of the changes.

Francis Robinson said that he felt the Town should be willing to pay to get the facts to defend itself, and the funds should be ready in advance of any projects. After more than an hour of discussion, Kenneth Paddock moved to adjourn the meeting after the conclusion of Article 29 to Tuesday, March 12, 1974, at 7 p.m. Seconded. Lydia Willits moved to amend the motion to reconvene that night (3/9/74) at 7:30 p.m. Seconded. The vote was taken on the Willits amendment and it was defeated.

Lawrence Rouillard moved that we meet the next day (3/10/74) from 1 p.m. to the conclusion of the business. Seconded. The motion was defeated. The vote was then taken on Mr. Paddock's motion to adjourn to Tuesday night upon conclusion of Article 29, and it passed. James Chamberlin then moved that the meeting stand adjourned and that we begin our business Tuesday night with Article 29. Seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

The meeting reconvened March 12, 1974, at 7:10 p.m. at the Oyster River High School Gymnasium.

Article 29. (Continued) The discussion began with the Larson amendment made the previous Saturday that the person or company requesting a revision of the zoning ordinance to permit light or heavy industry bear the costs of this revision. Francis Robinson said that the people of Durham should have an opportunity to obtain an independent judgement for any proposals which are put before them. He thinks that the Town should budget for this so that any consultants hired would be completely independent, rather than have the people making the proposal pay for it.

Mr. Larson said that he has investigated and found that there would be no legal problem with his amendment as some other organizations have the applicant pay although the organization selects the consultants. Hans Heilbronner said that the amendment doesn't meet the problem of investigating the impact of light or heavy industry in neighboring towns. Alden Winn said that an application for a change in zoning must be made by the people of the Town, nor a company seeking to come in; therefore, the people in Town will eventually have to pay for it. He feels that the amendment is unwise and should be defeated.

Mr. Gerhard said that he hoped to establish a \$15,000 contingency fund to be under the control of the Selectmen. The vote was taken on the Larson amendment, and it was defeated.

Mr. Gerhard then moved to amend his substitute motion to read: "That the Town appropriate \$15,000 to a contingency fund under the control of the Selectmen to be used in a manner determined by them in the face of proposals that would interrupt the orderly growth of Durham." Seconded. Henry Davis, Chairman of the Budget Committee, asked if this money would be in addition to the Planning Board budget. Mr. Gerhard said it would. After more discussion, Maryanna Hatch moved to increase the amount of money to read \$25,000. Seconded. The vote was taken on the Hatch amendment, and it was defeated. Alden Winn moved to amend Mr. Gerhard's amendment by reducing the sum from \$15,000 to \$5,000. Seconded. Motion carried. Vote on Mr. Gerhard's substitute motion as amended was in the affirmative, and the article was adopted.

Rae Borrer moved to reconsider Article 21. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 21. Moved by Rae Borrer, seconded, that Article 21 be amended by substituting the word "may" for the word "will" in the first line of the article and leaving the rest of the article as is. Then add the words "at any time within the next year after appropriate public notice(s) and public hearing(s) initiated by the Planning Board" at the end of the last sentence. Mrs. Borrer said that the Planning Board could not make changes in the site review and subdivision regulations if the article remains as it was passed. By approving the amendment, the Town could shorten the time frame and make the necessary changes before next Town Meeting.

Charles Jellison pointed out that a motion to reconsider must come from someone who voted against the motion which has carried on Article 21. Mrs. Borrer said she had abstained. Malcolm Sandberg then moved to reconsider Article 21. Seconded. Motion carried by 2/3 vote. Darrett Rutman then made the motion as stated by

Mrs. Borrer above to amend the article. Seconded. The vote was taken on the amendment, and it passed. Since the vote had not been taken on Mr. Winn's motion on Article 21 last Saturday before the article was referred to the Planning Board, it was necessary that action be taken on the amendment. Mr. Winn's motion was to substitute for the last complete sentence on Page W3 the words "The Planning Board shall consider such cost/benefit studies in making its determination as to whether or not such project shall be classified as premature." The motion had been seconded. The vote was taken and the motion passed. Article 21 was then voted on as amended, and it was adopted.

Malcolm Sandberg than moved to reconsider Article 22. Seconded. Motion passed.

Article 22. Mrs. Borrer moved to amend the article by striking the words "containing five or more units" and substitute "wherever in Town it is reasonable in relationship to the Town of Durham's overall capital expansion program, or where the number of units makes a central sewer highly desirable, or where soil characteristics make central sewer system highly desirable, regardless of the source of water for any of the above" and add at the end of the article "after appropriate public notice(s) and public hearing(s) by the Planning Board within the next year." Seconded. Joseph Murdoch asked what was meant by central sewer: central to the subdivision or always back to a central Town system? He also asked who would be on the system, especially in the light of the Town's vote on the water system. He felt that the Selectmen, not the Planning Board, should be concerned with this. Mr. Michael said that at last Saturday's session of the meeting central sewer was defined as central to the subdivision itself. Owen Durgin explained that the Planning Board already had the power to change the Subdivision Regulations, but rather than reporting back to the next annual meeting as previously voted, they will move the time up so that they may act if necessary before next year. He also said that we cannot be sure what the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission will say in regard to the Town's plans in this area. Malcolm Chase said that he was concerned that these articles were being written on the floor of the meeting rather than being studied by the Planning Board first. The vote was then taken on Mrs. Borrer's amendment, and it passed. The article was then voted as amended.

Article 30. Moved by Owen Durgin, seconded by Alden Winn, that the Town vote to join the Strafford-Rockingham Regional Planning Council and authorize the Town's representation to the Strafford Regional Planning Commission to act as delegates to that Council. Rebecca Frost said that it is becoming necessary to plan by region rather than just by counties, and the State Office of Comprehensive Planning will be available to talk with regional planning groups throughout the state to help them with their work. She urged that the article be adopted so that the Town will have a say in the writing of the bylaws of the regional council. Article was adopted.

Article 31. Moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded by Elizabeth Robinson, that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend a sum not to exceed \$8,250.00 as included in the budget, for the purpose of matching Federal funds for the construction of a fish ladder at the Oyster River Dam, said ladder to be constructed in conjunction with the repair of the dam, as approved by the Town at the 1973 Town Meeting. It is understood that the aforesaid appropriation will not be expended in the event that State Fish and Game funds can be made available to match Federal funds for the fish ladder construction. Mr. Chase said that the Fish and Game Department budget was not passed last year, so the dam could not be repaired as voted at last year's meeting. Also, the State crews were pulled out of this area to work in the northern part of the State to help in reconstruction of some of the flood-damaged areas. At this point, there is no way of knowing whether or not there will be State funds available to match Federal funds, so the article is written so that if State funds are granted to us, the Town will not have to spend this money. Owen Durgin said that the fish ladder is now planned for the right side of the dam; and since there is off-street parking on that side, there would be plenty of room to get the cars off the road. The Board of Selectmen will do everything it can to prevent dislocation of traffic in that area.

John Beckett asked what were the advantages of having this ladder. Mr. Chase said that the Fish and Game Department feels that before another ladder is put up further, they recommended this one that would give food fish, salmon, etc. Mr. Beckett asked if there would be any damage done to the fish in the Mill Pond.

Mr. Chase felt it would improve the condition of the fish in the pond. Richard Strout said that the fish ladder has been proposed for many years, and he urged that the article be adopted. He asked Mr. Chase if the State crews would be available to repair the dam even if we did not approve the fish ladder. Mr. Chase said that he thought the crews would still do the work on the dam. Eugene Leaver said he was not concerned about the first ladder, but was about a second one. He said he questioned how a second ladder would affect the water supply. Mr. Chase said there are no plans for further construction upstream. The vote was then taken on the article, and it was adopted.

Article 32. Moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that action on Article 32 be postponed until after we have completed action on Article 26. Motion carried.

Article 33. Moved by Henry Davis, seconded, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to formally close out the balance remaining in the 1964 Sewer Construction Bond Issue Fund by transfer of the balance of \$1,266.90 to the 1968 College Brook Interceptor Renewal Project account. Further, to accept the final accounting of the College Brook Interceptor Renewal Project as reported in the 1973 Town Report and give credit as shown in the table accompanying said accounting for the years 1970-1983 inclusive, subject to audit. Mr. Davis said that this was recommended by the Budget Committee and was brought about to clean up the funds left in these various accounts. The auditor felt that Town action was necessary to take care of this matter. Motion carried.

Article 34. Moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded by Alden Winn, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply, negotiate, and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State, or other assistance as may be available for the report for, design of, and construction of a sewage disposal system, and pass any vote relating thereto. Mr. Chase said that this was essentially a housekeeping article. The Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission recommended this action to give us an opportunity to negotiate for Federal funds. There is no money involved. Rebecca Frost asked if this could be used for the watershed bill 208. Mr. Chase said he did not think so. Motion carried.

Article 35. Moved by Malcolm Chase, seconded by Alden Winn, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for, and accept aid relative to disasters. Mr. Chase said that the purpose of this article is to correct something that happened last year. Many of the towns that suffered flood damage last year found that they could not accept disaster aid because the town meetings had not authorized them to do so. Therefore, this article is just protection for the Town of Durham in case we should ever need to apply for funds such as these. There is no money involved in the article. Motion carried.

It was moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, to reconsider Article 17. Motion carried.

Article 17. Moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that action taken last Saturday be amended to read "The discussion on the financing of the tennis courts be considered as part of the budget." Motion carried.

Article 36. Moved by Henry Davis, seconded, to adopt the budget in the amount of \$2,060,416.47, with \$675,535.37 to be raised by taxes. Mr. Davis said there were some error in the Police Department budget on Page W8. The Uniform Allowance should be \$4,575.00 rather than \$8,125.00; the Retirement Fund should be \$10,073.56 rather than \$10,295.00; and the Crossing Guards should be \$6,075.00 rather than \$6,570.00; making a total for the Police Department of \$255,471.89, rather than \$259,738.41. This changes the total on Page W15, so Mr. Davis moved to adopt the budget as amended in the amount of \$2,056,149.95 with \$671,268.85 to be raised by taxes. Seconded. Mr. Davis then moved to amend the budget as previously voted in Article 24 by adding \$500 to the Planning Board budget for a new total of \$15,775, and adding \$5,000 to the contingency fund for a new total of \$14,966. Seconded. Motion carried.

James Chamberlin said that with the increased town, school, and county budgets this year, the tax rate per \$1,000 valuation could go up \$5.97; but with a surplus and new construction in Town the rate would probably be reduced by \$3.90, leaving a net increase in the rate of \$2.07. These are the best estimated that the Selectmen can provide at the moment.

David Larson moved that the following items be deleted from the 18-month budget for the period July 1, 1974, to December 31, 1975: (1) Chief's Cruiser \$3,400.00; (2) Gas and Oil \$2,000.00; (3) Equipment Maintenance \$2,000.00; (4) Truck \$15,000.00; (5) Backhoe \$17,000.00; (6) Capital Reserve \$5,000.00; (7) Town Garage \$15,000.00; (8) Planning Board \$5,275.00; (9) Conservation Commission \$10,000.00; (10) Welfare \$4,000.00; for a total reduction of \$78,675.00. Seconded. Jane Pokoski asked why Mr. Larson had chosen these particular items. Mr. Larson said they were all non-personnel items and would not reduce the services these departments involved would provide.

Alden Winn said he understood the feelings of Mr. Larson and those people he represents, but the budget is complicated and difficult to put together, and therefore, it is difficult to take it apart item by item in this manner. Some of the things Mr. Larson wants to cut such as gas and oil cannot be cut without putting Town vehicles in the garage and out of service. Equipment maintenance is the same situation. He feels that not to replace equipment badly in need of maintenance is rather foolish. Mr. Winn asked if the Selectmen could speak individually for the departments they represent.

Mr. Chase, who serves on the Public Works Advisory Committee, said that about five years ago the Committee recommended that the Town buy better, heavier trucks which would need less maintenance. The capital reserve fund set up for this purpose has proved very effective over the last five years. Mr. LeClair and Mr. Chase felt that the \$30,000 left in the fund for the garage, plus this \$15,000, would put them in good shape as far as the garage construction went.

Arthur Borrer said that he felt these budget cuts should have been considered when the departments came before the Budget Committee in preparation for the budget, and therefore, urged that the amendment be defeated.

Norman Stiles, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, said that the original estimate they had received for a chief's cruiser with all the necessary equipment was \$4,850; but after discussions with the Selectmen and various other people, they were able to get the price down to \$3,400. The chief now has to use his private car; he is on call 24 hours a day for 365 days a year, and he has to use his own vehicle to attend meetings.

Richard Strout, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, said that the elimination of his funds would virtually stop all land acquisition during the coming year. For several years they have been trying to obtain Spruce Hole, and they are now close to getting it. Since the Town has indicated that we must act now to retain land for conservation purposes, he feels the deletion of these funds would not be in the best interest of the Town. After further discussion, the vote was taken and the amendment was defeated.

Alexander Amell moved to amend the Parks and Recreation Committee budget by adding \$11,000 to construct the tennis courts. Seconded. Mr. Amell said this was the amount of money stated in Article 17, which was postponed from last Saturday. The \$11,000 and the value of the land obtained from Mr. Cheney would be matched by Bureau of Outdoor Recreation funds for a total value of \$60,000 made available to the Town. Mr. Winn said that the full amount of money needed for the project must be contained in the motion, not just the eventual Town cost. He then moved to amend the budget by adding to the Parks and Recreation budget \$45,000 and to add as income for the purpose of constructing the tennis courts the sum of \$41,500, and he further moved that the expenditures be conditional upon the receipt of the income, and that the purpose of this motion is to construct four tennis courts. Seconded. Lyman Mower asked why the number of courts was being limited to four when they had been told on Saturday that it might be possible to get more than four for the same price. Mr. Winn said that the Selectmen felt that they could not get more than four for that price, and they thought the voters seemed to want the number limited. After some discussion, Mr. Winn deleted the word "four" from his motion. The amendment was then approved.

Donald Masi moved that the amount of money to be raised by taxes be reduced by \$77,000.00, with the Budget Committee and the Selectmen to take this amount from any items they wished. Seconded by David Larson. The amendment was defeated.

Irene Fleming asked why the Hydrant Rental budget item had been increased from \$7,100 last year to \$14,200 this year. Mr. Winn explained that since the rental is paid in December, and there are two Decembers in the 18-month fiscal period coming up, the fee must be paid twice and shown that way in the budget. Mr. Winn then reminded everyone that the budget approved at this meeting will be in effect until March 1976, so there will be no budget to be considered next year. If the need for additional funds arises and the Selectmen must come before the meeting to request more money, the amount voted by the meeting cannot be more than 10% of the budget approved now. This is under the terms of the Municipal Finance Act which Durham adopted several years ago.

Donald Masi asked about the sidewalk budget and whether or not sidewalks would be built in Wedgewood Development. Mr. Winn said that the Selectmen do intend to continue with sidewalks on Durham Point Road through the Urban Highway Program. The Durham Point Road-Route 108 corner was to have been done last year, but the State ran out of money.

Karen Mower moved to amend the budget by increasing the salary of the Welfare Officer by \$600.00 for the 18-month budget period. Seconded. Mrs. Mower said that the present salary works out to about \$.54 a day. Edward Durnall said that the voters had just been admonished that they should not be discussing individual items on the floor of the meeting, that these cuts should have been considered during the time the Budget Committee was working on the budget; he felt the same should apply to adding to the amounts in the budget. Amendment defeated.

Joseph Murdoch asked if in the amount of money on Page W8 they had planned on three crossing guards for the 18-month period. Mr. Winn said that the budget figure was for four guards - three full time and one alternate.

The budget was then voted on as amended in the amount of \$2,106,649.95, with \$680,268.85 to be raised by taxes. The article was adopted.

Article 32. Moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to receive and deposit in the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund, Federal revenues allocated to the Town by the Federal Government under provisions of the 1972 Acts of Congress establishing the State and Local Assistance Act, and to authorize withdrawal from this fund for budgeted appropriations in the approximate amounts listed in the article in the warrant. Mr. Winn said that this article does not appropriate any money, but it is required by law to be voted on by the Town Meeting. These items have been included in the budget on both the revenue and expenditure sides. Mr. Winn then moved to amend the article by reducing the amount under item #5 (Reduction of 1972 Notes) from \$12,600.00 to \$7,600.00 and adding item #10 for a Fire Alarm System the amount of \$5,000.00. Seconded. This leaves the total amount of the article unchanged. The amendment passed. After some discussion, the article was adopted.

Article 37. Moved by James Chamberlin, seconded, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of approximately \$94,000.00 to defray its share of the cost of Stafford County Government. Mr. Chamberlin said that we really did not have any say in this matter as we simply receive a bill from the county for the amount they assess us as our share of the county budget, but we can at least make our feelings known. He moved to reduce the amount to \$88,000.00. Seconded. Motion carried. The article was then adopted as amended.

Article 38. Moved by Alden Winn, seconded, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow necessary money in anticipation of taxes by issuing short term notes. Motion carried.

Article 39. Moved by Owen Durgin, seconded, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to dispose of property acquired at a tax collector's sale in the best interest of the Town. Motion carried.

Article 40. Moved by George Haslerud, seconded, that the following resolution be passed by the Town:

RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that the 1974 Town Meeting of Durham expresses gratitude to those who turned back the mortal threat of Olympic Oil to the Town:

SOS (Save Our Shores) for mobilizing thousands of citizens in Durham and surrounding towns;

The newspaper, Publick Occurrences, for investigative journalism:

The Durham Selectmen for manning the zoning and home rule defenses;

Channel 11 ETV for televising to the entire state the Selectmen's two four-hour hearings for the refinery proponents and their questioning by citizens;

And to the Town's three St. Joans, who during the battle provided inspired leadership - Evelyn Browne, Dudley Dudley, and Nancy Sandberg;

And that a copy of this resolution signed by the Town Clerk be sent to the named institutions and individuals.

It was passed unanimously.

It was moved by Charles Blount that the Town issue a vote of thanks to Joseph Michael and Alden Winn for their professional attitude during the public meetings and the Town Meeting. It was seconded, and the motion carried with applause.

John Harrison moved, seconded, that the Town vote to instruct the chairman of the Budget Committee to prepare a letter outlining the goals of the Committee, the pertinent data developed, and the strategy of the Committee in preparing the budget; this letter and the preliminary budget figures to be available at the Town Hall a week prior to the budget hearings. Motion carried.

Alden Winn announced that the Selectmen would be making appointments to the various Town committees in the coming weeks, and they would appreciate it if anyone interested in serving on a committee would leave their name at the Town Office.

Rebecca Frost moved that the following resolution be adopted by the Town:

RESOLUTION

Because oil refineries, their ports, pipelines, supply, distribution, and secondary developments are clearly interdependent parts of a large and complex system which extends far beyond New Hampshire borders, and

Because New Hampshire lacks the protective measures adopted by neighboring states, and

Because New Hampshire is being pressured into a quick decision with irreversible effects,

Be it resolved, therefore, that this Town Meeting go on record in favor of deferring the development of oil facilities in New Hampshire until:

1. Our energy needs and supplies and sites for oil development have been studied and planned on a New England regional basis, and until
2. The New Hampshire legislature has defined and provided economic and environmental safeguards.

The motion was seconded. John Beckett moved to amend the resolution by adding "That the message be communicated to the Governor, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives." Seconded. Amendment adopted. Robert Sandberg said that he hoped the motion would be withdrawn since we had campaigned for the right of home rule for all towns and cities. The vote was then taken on the motion, and the resolution was adopted as amended.

John Harrison moved that the Town vote to instruct the Budget Committee to develop a revised format for the presentation of the Town budget and offer both the present and an alternative format at the next budget hearing for Town reactions. The thrust of any new format should be to remove Capital Expenditures from the operating part of the budget. Seconded. Motion defeated.

There being no further business, it was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:09 p.m.

Linda L. Ekdahl

Town Clerk



Minutes of Special Town Meeting

The meeting was called to order August 5, 1974, at 7:33 p.m. by Moderator Joseph Michael, who read the article to be considered.

It was moved by Francis Robinson, seconded, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to grant such easements to the State of New Hampshire Fish and Game Department as are necessary for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a fish ladder at the Mill Pond Dam, so-called, on the Oyster River at Durham, New Hampshire.

Owen Durgin then explained that the money for this project was voted at the March 1974 Town Meeting. However, the Federal Government will not make funds available for this project until an easement on the water rights has been obtained by the Fish and Game Department to insure that the ladder will have sufficient water to permit the fish to go upstream.

There being no further discussion, a vote was taken, and the Moderator declared the article adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Linda A. Ekbladh

Town Clerk



Report on The Durham Swans

While the ballot boxes were open for the citizens of Durham to vote on the first eleven articles in the Town Warrant, the weather for March 5 cooperated by allowing a channel of open water to form in the millpond. By 1 P.M., right on schedule, the Durham swans flew in from their winter quarters and splashed down. Jim Chamberlin telephoned to announce their arrival. Once more the Town had it all together!

The big white birds began on March 27 to refurbish their nest among the alders, and took almost two weeks to get it into a condition that satisfied them. By April 7, Agatha had eggs to incubate. She began her long vigil. Faithfully, she sat and sat. Hamilton protected her, flying at any invader of the millpond. He terrified one fisherman who ventured out in a canoe, unaware that the swans have prior rights and will defend this part of Durham—especially in April and May.

All the portents read GO, yet no cygnet hatched. Did Agatha inadvertently roll most of her eggs out of the flat nest, into the cold water and the concealing mud? On May 14, she abandoned the enterprise for the whole day. Watchers from the shore could see one egg still on the nest. Howard and Esther Mae Forrest rowed out in a jon boat on June 2 to rescue the abandoned egg. Subsequently Richard Strout examined it, and concluded from its advanced state of internal decomposition that the egg had been fertile. Why the embryo failed to develop remains a mystery.

By late June, the mallards that had nested around the pond had ducklings to lead. They came wherever the swans were being fed. One mother mallard with seven babies went down over the dam on June 22, but remained close to the overspill and learned to take a handout there. Later, somehow, the whole family reappeared above the dam. By July 14, a mother wood duck with 10 youngsters warily joined the mallards and swans at meal times. For some waterfowl, at least, the millpond remained productive.

Perhaps it was just as well that no family of swan cygnets had to be provided for later in the summer. True, the millpond remained oil-free, despite another spill from the heating plant at the University on June 4; the oil was mopped up before it got more than a short distance down the College Brook. Nor were the swans disturbed when a common egret visited on August 2, almost exactly a year after a previous visit. But on August 27, the millpond began to disappear. Contractors hired jointly by the Town and the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department opened the dam gates as the first step toward repairing the dam and installing a fish ladder. To the surprise of almost everyone, the water level dropped rapidly. It exposed large areas of shallow bottom choked with pickerel weed, then larger mud flats studded with the gaping shells of freshwater mussels. Cloudy weather slowed the rate at which the pond life dried and died. It did not interfere with the arrival of dozens of shore birds—sanderlings, yellowlegs and herons—to feast where formerly the water had been too deep.

Within three days, only two large puddles of murky water remained, connected by a trickle representing the combined flows of the Oyster River and the College Brook. For most of the time, the two swans preened themselves at the edge of the puddle near the beaver lodge, where they had a dozen or more mallards and many painted turtles for company. Twice each day, while the commotion caused by workmen and machines at the dam ceased, the swans waddled over to swim in the second puddle where they (and the mallards) could enjoy a handout of bread, lettuce and cracked corn.

The beavers tried to save the millpond. On August 31, they began a dam across the trickle between the two puddles, from one wet mudbank to the other. Failing to cope with the falling water level and the shriveled stream, they gave up this site and began afresh the next night between the Chamberlin property and the Milnes' nature sanctuary. They incorporated as a center pier the rusting remains of the old intake pipe for the Granite State Steam Laundry, which went out of business a decade earlier. But the combined flow of the Oyster River and the College Brook did not encourage

further construction. Again the beavers abandoned their work, and went half a mile upstream. There they constructed two fine dams with trees cut from residential properties across the river from Oyster River Park. For the first time in many years, people could paddle a canoe on this narrow, winding part of the river. But the adjacent residents complained to the Fish and Game Department about the felling of trees, and sought to get rid of the tree-cutters.

The swans could find no natural foods in the puddles that remained from the mill-pond. On September 3, they took to their great white wings and disappeared down the estuary. The Portsmouth Herald two days later ran a picture of the construction work at the Durham dam, and reported the swans as understandably missing. Nor could the birds be found in any of their customary waters. Following a rumor that the swans might be on Peverly Lake at the Pease Air Force Base, the four swankeepers talked their way past the guard at the gate on September 7—and found the swans on the Bass Pond. There the birds had plenty of wild food, some smaller waterfowl for company, and only the roar of jet aircraft to disturb them. Both Agatha and Hamilton paddled across the lake to get a handout. Two days later, a request for formal passes to let swankeepers visit and feed the Durham swans acquainted the Base Commander, Colonel Frederick W. Franche, with the new responsibilities in his territory. He graciously issued the appropriate passes.

The Durham swans at the Air Base became big news on September 27, when their photographs and accounts of their travels appeared both in Publick Occurrences and beginning on the front page, in the Seacoast Flyer, published at the Air Base. But in less than a week, hunting season opened. Bang! Bang! Hunters stayed away from the swans, but their shots rang out. Away flew Hamilton and Agatha to the open water of Great Bay. They arrived in the Oyster River estuary on October 4 about 3 P.M., and by nightfall settled in the pond at the end of Beard's Creek. There wild food was available to them. Supplemental handouts soon arrived. Still the big birds did not forget the millpond. Late the next afternoon, they made a quick trip to explore, but found only a modest amount of water and much bare mud. Back to Beard's Creek pond they flew, to reside there until ice covered it.

Probably the swans never learned that on October 15, the repaired gate on the mill-pond dam was closed on a trial basis, then more firmly on October 24. The water level in the pond rose rapidly, flooding over the mudflats and the dead remains of mussels and vegetation. So much silt has accumulated in the pond area that a rather small amount of water fills it. The mallards returned to tip for food where the pickerel weed roots had been. A great blue heron took up sentry duty not far from the beaver lodge. Some beavers visited the pond long enough to cut three poplars at Pilgrim's Point and a few more on the Milnes' nature sanctuary. Was it too late in the year for them to prepare a winter store of food near the old beaver lodge? Or did the beavers now feel more secure behind their dams farther upstream? They left the millpond to the birds.

Ice dispatched the swans on November 25. After waddling across the slippery surface in the morning to get some bread and cracked corn, they flew straight to North Mill Pond in Portsmouth—and accepted food there in late afternoon. Yet the two remained restless, as though two weeks ahead of schedule. They returned as far as Cedar Point for three days the first week of December. Back on North Mill Pond on December 8, they went exploring. A Mr. Bartlett telephoned the Durham swankeepers on December 9, to invite help in getting the swans off the land behind some buildings. By the time the helpers arrived, the birds were back in the water. We hope they stay there safely until March of 1975, when it will be time for the two feathered travelers to arrive in Durham again on the day of Town Meeting.

Lorus J. Milne and Margery Milne
Howard E. Forrest and Esther Mae Forrest
Appointed Keepers of the Swans.

Tree Warden

Town beautification did not take a "great leap forward" in 1974. Construction and pending construction created a state of disarray in the center of town. Only a few trees were planted -- near the high school -- and a few more were vandalized.

The Plant Science Department provided flowers which were planted in the town for Memorial Day. However, the drought was severe and both flowers and trees suffered from lack of watering.

The maple tree on Main Street, saved from destruction two years ago by concerned residents, is dying. Serious loss of roots, and lack of top-pruning and watering will soon kill it.

A good look around town might lead one to conclude that business and beautification don't go together in Durham. That is unfortunate. Other towns have shown that business areas can be pleasant places. Will Durham ever follow their example?

Doug Routley
Tree Warden

Sewer Policy Committee

During the year of 1974, a number of new activities were added to those normally performed by the Sewer Department. Of these, some were imposed as a result of the revision of the Durham Sewer Ordinance during 1973. Others were imposed upon the department during the past year through recommendations made by the Sewer Policy Committee (SPC) or by order of the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission (NHWSPPC) or the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

New operational and maintenance duties include, in part:

1. Making inflow estimates demanded by the NHWSPPC to accompany each new service application permit, as well as the,
2. Determination of the level of flow in the sewer line which is to be entered.
3. Inspection of all new service lines to be attached to sewer mains and upon approval by the NHWSPPC, to make the actual connection (Town).
4. Inspection of sewer mains and manholes, in addition to the previously established sewer main cleaning procedure (EPA, Town).
5. Material sludge composting.

The first four procedures are designed to tighten the system and to lower the amount of surface water or groundwater entering the system. This will save the cost of pumping and treating this so-called illegal water.

The fifth procedure noted above has been developed experimentally as a means of economically disposing of waste-water sludge. In fact, the natural sludge composting procedure, which may have been first recognized in Durham, hopefully will aid in solving the costly sludge disposal problem which is rapidly increasing in the state and nation.

Research work for accelerating the composting process is under way in Durham through a contribution of \$2,000 from the Sewer Department, \$10,000 from the State, and the contribution by the University of New Hampshire of professional time and technical facilities.

With the Town committed to the EPA to construct and operate a secondary sewage treatment plant for the purpose of improving the level of treatment of Durham waste water by December 31, 1976, numerous technical and fiscal problems are developing. With the funds provided by the Town on March 6, 1973, the engineering firm of Camp, Dresser and McKee have been employed to conduct preliminary studies and to make recommendations on design, with accompanying cost estimates. For the purpose of presenting this material, the Board of Selectmen have scheduled a Public Hearing on January 27, 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Leaver
Lathrop Merrick
T. Ralph Meyers
Lawrence O'Connell
Ralph Smallidge



Poorly Constructed Manhole



1964 SEWER CONSTRUCTION
BOND ISSUE¹

\$1,000,000 Payable in 20 Years
Interest 3% due March 1 and September 1;
\$50,000 payment on principal due September 1

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Payment Principal and Interest</u>	<u>Grant (C-29)²</u>	<u>U.N.H. Share³</u>	<u>Town Share</u>
1965	\$ 80,000.00	\$	\$ 15,138.55	\$ 64,861.45
1966	78,500.00	50,712.00	14,854.65	12,933.35
1967	77,000.00	30,287.00	14,570.80	32,142.20
1968	75,500.00	31,155.00	14,286.96	30,058.04
1969	74,000.00	30,603.00	14,003.11	29,393.89
1970	72,500.00	30,051.00	13,719.26	28,729.74
1971	71,000.00	29,499.00	13,435.41	28,065.59
1972	69,500.00	28,947.00	13,151.57	27,401.43
1973	68,000.00	28,395.00	12,867.72	26,737.28
1974	66,500.00	27,843.00	12,583.87	26,073.13
1975	65,000.00	27,291.00	12,300.03	25,408.97
1976	63,500.00	26,739.00	12,016.18	24,744.82
1977	62,000.00	26,187.00	11,732.33	24,080.67
1978	60,500.00	25,635.00	11,448.49	23,416.51
1979	59,000.00	25,083.00	11,164.64	22,752.36
1980	57,500.00	24,531.00	10,880.79	22,088.21
1981	56,000.00	23,979.00	10,596.95	21,424.05
1982	54,500.00	23,427.00	10,313.10	20,759.90
1983	53,000.00	22,875.00	10,029.25	20,095.75
1984	51,500.00	22,323.00	9,745.41	19,431.59
1985		21,750.00*		
TOTALS	\$ 1,315,000.00	\$ 557,312.00	\$ 248,839.07	\$ 530,598.93
				Balance payable from Town funds January 1, 1974 \$ 250,275.96

*State was one year late in starting its payment on grant. Credit to General Funds.

¹This bond issue covered six different contracts in improving and extending the sewer system. The University shared in the cost of the construction contracts which benefited the University. See agreements for payment and operation in official Town files.

²From schedule on file from State agency.

³UNH is billed annually for its share by the Town.

1968 College Brook Interceptor Renewal Project

PROJECT C-51
(See 1972 Town Report)

REIMBURSEMENT AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>REC'D FROM STATE</u>	<u>TOTAL PAID</u>
1969	5,511.00	15,516.70
1970	16,001.00	15,600.00
1971	15,709.00	15,200.00
1972	15,416.00	14,800.00
1973	15,124.00	14,400.00
1974	14,464.00	14,000.00
1975	14,050.00	13,600.00
1976	13,637.00	13,200.00
1977	13,224.00	12,800.00
1978	12,810.00	12,400.00
1979	12,398.00	12,000.00
1980	11,984.00	11,600.00
1981	11,571.00	11,200.00
1982	11,158.00	10,800.00
1983	10,750.00	10,400.00

Final Payment December 1, 1983.

1971 Grease Handling Facilities Project

Serial Note Issue
4%

Amount of Original Issue	\$83,000.00
Date of Original Issue	December 29, 1972
Principal Payable Date	December 1
Interest Payable Dates	June 1 and December 1
Payable at	Durham Trust Company

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
1972	\$ 5,533.33	None
1973	5,533.33	2,840.46 (11 months)
1974	5,533.34	2,877.33
1975	5,533.33	2,656.00
1976	5,533.33	2,434.67
1977	5,533.34	2,213.33
1978	5,533.33	1,992.00
1979	5,533.33	1,770.67
1980	5,533.34	1,549.33
1981	5,533.33	1,328.00
1982	5,533.33	1,106.67
1983	5,533.34	885.33
1984	5,533.33	664.00
1985	5,533.33	442.67
1986	5,533.34	221.33

Waste Water Treatment Facilities

The passing of 1974 marked the eighth full year of operation for the Durham Waste Water Treatment facilities.

During the past twelve months we pumped and treated 333,609,000 gallons of waste water. To this 52,116 pounds of chlorine gas were added for disinfecting purposes, allowing us to produce a safe effluent well within the present guide lines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the State of New Hampshire Water Pollution Commission.

From this total flow, 5,861,210 pounds of raw sludge were recovered. Aided by the addition of 24,850 pounds of lime and 1753 pounds of ferric chloride as coagulants, the sludge dewatering process produced 976 cubic yards of treated sludge.

The rising cost of chemicals, chlorine up from \$100 per ton to \$220 per ton, hydrated lime up from \$61 per ton to \$81 per ton, ferric chloride up from \$41 per ton to \$90 per ton and electricity costs nearly doubled in the last twelve months, brought the cost of Durham's waste water treatment to \$.0002 per gallon or two (2) cents for every 100 gallons processed.

At the start of 1974 I initiated an energy conservation program throughout the treatment facilities. We are presently operating under this program and plan to continue in 1975.

Sludge disposal by landfill method has always been a costly, time consuming and endless endeavor with little or no usable by-product being realized. With this thought in mind, after observing how the processed sludge decomposes when exposed to the elements, we began a series of tests on different aged sludge samples. The results of this testing were quite gratifying proving that after being exposed to the atmosphere for a long enough period of time, all traces of coliform group organisms and pathogenic bacteria had disappeared leaving us with a safe, usable end product. With a little publicity and a lot of interested people, we at the treatment plant in conjunction with the University of New Hampshire plan to begin working on a state grant to improve on this idea and possibly shorten the breakdown time now required for this degree of treatment.

It now appears that our longstanding struggle to successfully handle and treat the heavy concentrations of kitchen grease entering our system is nearing an end. The new grease handling facility is due to begin operation early in 1975 and should prove to be a boon to our operations.

During 1974 several groups and individuals toured the treatment facilities and I feel that most have left with a better understanding of how and why we treat Durham's wastewater. I should like to extend the invitation once again, for all concerned to stop in and visit your treatment plant.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane Walker, Superintendent

Health Officer

No major communicable disease problems were reported to the Health Officer during the year. Five cases of dog bite complaints were received and investigated for rabies with negative results. A total of 16 new septic tank systems were inspected and approved, and 4 improperly functioning systems were corrected in various parts of the town. Other activities included investigation and action on a number of nuisance and substandard housing complaints; inspection of restaurants, stores, day care facilities, and foster parents' homes; supervision of the sanitary quality of drinking and bathing waters; approval of International Certificates of Vaccination for foreign travel; and communication and meetings with members of the State Division of Health and the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission.

A note of appreciation is due Dr. Theodore G. Metcalf who effectively served as Acting Health Officer during my absence from Durham in March and April.

Respectfully submitted,

L. W. Slanetz
Health Officer

December 31, 1974

Civil Defense

The update of the "basic" Civil Defense or Disaster Preparedness Plan for Durham was completed in 1974, including annexes from Town and University departments and officials. The updated plan, a combination of both Town and University Disaster Preparedness Plans, will be used to coordinate Town and University disaster response resources.

Thomas F. Rankin,
Civil Defense Director

Bi-Centennial Committee

In December the Board of Selectmen appointed a Bicentennial Committee composed of William Chamberlin, Charles Clark, Maryanna Hatch, Samuel Hoitt and Malcolm MacGregor. The committee met twice before submitting this report.

William Chamberlin has been elected chairman, Maryanna Hatch, vice chairperson and Samuel Hoitt, secretary. Consideration will be given to enlarging the committee at future meetings. Already Philip Wilcox, Ted Bardwell and Marshall Shields have made important inputs to the two meetings held.

Some of the ideas considered to date:

1. Assist in the establishment of an Historic District.
2. Place a tablet on the monument in the center of town with the names of Durham's Revolutionary War veterans.
3. Marking houses built in the Revolutionary period.
4. Proper storage of old Town documents.
5. Publish a small booklet, "History of Durham in an Oystershell".
6. Develop cover suggestions for 1975 and 1976 Annual Town Reports.
7. Improvement of Durham's 76 cemeteries and their records.
8. Obtain a microfilm copy of Durham's early records and place it in the Dimond Library.

We invite suggestions of other potential undertakings for the committee's consideration.

The committee understood that because the Town's budget has already been approved for 1975 funds could not be requested for action at the March 1975 Town Meeting. Hence the committee is compelled to forego any action on projects requiring Town appropriated funds until March 1976 Town Meeting.



This house, once a tavern, here James Smith was licensed to keep a Publick House in 1686, now stands about 700 feet back from its original location of Newmarket Road. It is presently the residence of James and Nell Chamberlin.



The General John Sullivan homestead was bought by him in 1760, but was built by Dr. Samuel Adams in 1741. It is now the home of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Reid.

HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE

Throughout the past year the Historic District Study Committee has been working on the best possible ordinance and area to establish an historic district for Durham.

The ordinance is basically that which is suggested by the State Planning Office, which has been edited to fit the individual needs of Durham. We have also included a section on "guidelines for Decisions on Appropriateness" so that property owners within the proposed district will have some idea of what the Commission will be looking for in regard to any changes within the district.

The Historic District Commission is not to be concerned with land use; this is the purpose of the Planning Board. The Commission is only to have jurisdiction over matters concerning historic preservation and the aesthetic treatment of exterior features of buildings within the district.

The area chosen for the district is that which you see as you walk or ride through Durham toward Exeter. First you pass the fine homes along Main Street; then you approach the falls and landing area, once the center of town activity; finally you enter the village setting of the Broth Hill area. The Study Committee feels that this entire area is the best cohesive district to present to the town. We have endeavored to keep the inclusion of open land to a minimum but still tie the district together. In the future we hope to consider some of the outlying garrisons and farms for spot protection under the Historic District Ordinance.

By either accepting or rejecting the Historic District, Durham decides its future. Will it retain its small-town feeling, or will its oldest and finest structures, the few remaining symbols of its heritage, be demolished to make room for high-rises and condominiums without anyone being able to ask why. Now is the time to set up controls. Do not wait until a drastic change has been proposed, and you are defenseless against it.

For the Historic District Study Committee

Malcolm G. MacGregor, Chairman



Mary P. Thompson, author of Landmarks in Ancient Dover, lived here 1860-1889. More recently known as the Runlett House, it is now the Cutter apartments.



Richardson tavern was a popular half-way stopping place for stage coaches between Boston and Portland in early 1800s. It is now Cheney apartments.



The stone pound built 1810 . It was erected on the site of the original wooden one. The dates on the corner stone are incorrect. This information has recently come to light. The house in the background is known as the Willey house and is now in the possession of Ralph and Marylou Hackley.



Col. Winborn Adams tavern, used as a town meeting place, still stands on Newmarket Road by the river. It is now the residence of Helen Jenkins.

Trustees of Trust Funds

Several major improvements have been instigated by your Trustees in 1974. The rough wooded area concealing the Smith Chapel has been cleared and leveled and an open lawn has been established. Eight weddings have been performed, two being Durham girls. The old and broken pipe-fence bordering the Schoolhouse Lane's 1796 cemetery has been replaced by a concrete-post and chain fence. The restoration of the 1810 Town Pound wall has been accomplished.

Clearing of brush from the west boundry line of the Town cemetery was begun, with the help of a work force from the Strafford County jail. A central flagpole was erected, which it is hoped may replace the individual flags at headstones. A flag for this new pole was the gift of Mrs. Wallis Rand. A card file has been made of all burials in this cemetery; these cards may be coordinated with those of older burials in private plots. New trust funds have come from the estates of Hazel Fogg and Vella Smart.

A survey and clearing of a very old one-third acre plot by the Mill Pond is completed. The actual age of this cemetery is unknown, for all stones are small, rough and unmarked. The restoration of unfunded plots continues, by brushing, spraying, setting up and repairing of stones. Receiving attention have been burial places of Davis, Emerson, Gleason, Jones, Langley, Mathes, Odiorne, Paul, Pendergast, Pendexter, Stevens, Walker, Woodman, York and Young families. To facilitate the maintenance of all park and cemetery areas, the purchase of a gasolene powered trimmer was made. With the attachment of four nylon cords, grass may be trimmed around trees and stones, and, with a revolving saw, small brush may be easily cut.

Through our contacts with the New Hampshire Cemetery Association it became apparent that new investment opportunities existed to take advantage of higher interest rates currently prevailing in the money market. Cemetery fund monies have now been pooled to effect this, and other Town Capital Reserve funds are being evaluated for similar investment. A maintenance fund was given by Langdon Sullivan for annual care of his ancestral burial ground.

A standard set of rules and regulations has become necessary for better operation of our Town cemetery. A brief statement will appear near the water source, but we list here a more complete set of rules:

- Perpetual care of grass and grounds is provided.
- Approval required for selection and location of all permanent plantings.
- Annual plants to be set into ground; no pots allowed.
- Floral pieces and containers may be removed within one week.
- Plastic arrangements for winter decorations only.
- Placement of any lot or grave marker must meet approval of Trustees.
- Permission for interment of ashes must be made at the Town Office.

Again we commend the cooperation of the Town workers for their assistance in these accomplishments.

Samuel W. Hoitt, Chairman
Philip A. Wilcox
Montgomery R. Childs

DURHAM TRUST FUNDS

FOR THE 18 MONTH PERIOD BETWEEN 1/1/73 to 6/30/74

	Balance 1/1/73	PRINCIPAL New Funds	Balance 6/30/74
George Ffrost	\$ 3,250.00	\$	\$ 3,250.00
Anna Woodman	1,200.00		1,200.00
Griffiths/Joy	1,800.00		1,800.00
Lydia Simpson *	100.00	(100.00)	-0-
George Furness	100.00		100.00
Susan Wilson	100.00		100.00
Alice & Ella Hayes	100.00		100.00
Olinthus Doe	4,586.44		4,586.44
Olive Wiggin	100.00		100.00
Abbie Mathes	300.00		300.00
Mary Burnham	190.00		190.00
Moses Woodman	100.00		100.00
Durham Town Cemetery	11,321.11	5,050.00	16,371.11
Forrest S. Smith	5,000.00		5,000.00
William J. Drew *	400.00	100.00	500.00
Bickford Memorial	80.00		80.00
Margaret D. Croghan	500.00		500.00
Smith Chapel	5,382.12	60.00	5,442.12
Capt. Eward Griffiths	500.00		500.00
Capital Reserve **	29,128.97	(8,500.00)	20,628.97
Durham Sewer	1,025.33		1,025.33
Durham Water	20,000.00		20,000.00
Conservation	5,012.61		5,012.61
Mathes Cemetery	271.91		271.91
Bunker	500.00		500.00
Parks and Recreation	1,000.00		1,000.00
John/Hattie Willey Stevens	-0-	300.00	300.00
Brown/Grant	-0-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Emerson/Meserve	-0-	100.00	100.00
Sullivan	-0-	135.00	135.00
	\$92,048.49	\$ (1,855.00)	\$90,193.49

NOTES: * These two funds now consolidated into Simpson/Drew/Goldsmith Fund

** Capital Reserve principal net reduction of \$8,500 a result of the following transactions

- a) Incinerator addition of \$2,500
- b) Fire addition of \$2,000
- c) Highway addition of \$5,000 and withdrawal of \$18,000

DURHAM TRUST FUNDS

FOR THE 18 MONTH PERIOD BETWEEN 1/1/73 to 6/30/74

----- INCOME -----				TOTAL FUND BALANCES
Balance 1/1/73	Income	Expenses	Balance 6/30/74	
\$ 1,010.94	\$ 164.61	\$ 437.16	\$ 738.39	\$ 3,988.39
124.60	78.26	125.00	77.86	1,277.86
311.97	122.05	320.00	114.02	1,914.02
33.57	4.73	38.30	-0-	-0-
117.58	13.00	15.00	115.58	215.58
87.67	11.16	15.00	83.83	183.83
24.03	7.38	10.00	21.41	121.41
685.17	876.94	77.50	1,484.61	6,071.05
63.10	9.51	20.00	52.61	152.61
480.79	46.22	50.00	477.51	777.51
66.41	15.26	20.00	61.67	251.67
22.90	7.05	20.00	9.95	109.95
2,092.59	1,118.73	1,104.80	2,106.52	18,477.63
3,790.24	650.62	285.90	4,154.96	9,154.96
60.48	42.39	25.00	77.87	577.87
56.39	8.38	-0-	64.77	144.77
120.20	35.11	120.00	35.31	535.31
688.22	633.69	553.92	767.99	6,210.11
92.60	34.41	80.00	47.01	547.01
5,267.35	2,673.75	-0-	7,941.10	28,570.07
688.85	105.34	-0-	794.19	1,819.52
3,999.19	1,956.27	-0-	5,955.46	25,955.46
622.02	346.29	-0-	968.31	5,980.92
33.62	24.46	20.00	38.08	309.99
50.63	33.33	20.00	63.96	563.96
-0-	61.45	-0-	61.45	1,061.45
-0-	16.08	-0-	16.08	316.08
-0-	53.51	2.80	50.71	1,050.71
-0-	2.09	-0-	2.09	102.09
-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	135.00
\$20,591.11	\$9,152.57	\$3,360.38	\$26,383.30	\$116,576.79

Sign Officer

Now that I am in my second year of this important area of sign maintenance, I have the opportunity to improve, rather than just catch up, on sign details.

Initiated into our program this year has been the use of delineators. These are small metal posts, painted green and tipped with reflective material. One of the most important use of these is to pinpoint the position of ledge and other hazardous obstructions, so that the driver of a plow truck will know where these obstructions are, even when covered with snow. Another function of these small posts is to show motorists the location of the end of drainage culverts, which usually indicates a drop off type hazard. Also, by placing these posts at the same distance apart on curves they are used as visual aids so that the motorist can safely negotiate sharp curves and changes in elevation simultaneously.

Many locations have new guard rails and guard posts. Nearly three hundred were erected this year, with new proposals already for next year. Many improvements and repairs were made to existing posts by means of scraping, painting, straightening, cutting off tops, cleaning brush and in some cases by relocating for realignment.

Traffic signs and sign posts are nearly all made of steel. With the price of this material climbing and the extreme difficulty of obtaining it at any cost, more emphasis must be placed against the vandalism of these items. Last year, of the two hundred and fifty signs erected, more than half of these were the direct result of this meaningless practice. If you observe anyone tampering with traffic signs, please help by calling the Police Department.

Sometimes after placing an order for new signs, weeks and even months may be the interval that it takes to receive these items. Then, in turn, that is the time that the affected area must be without proper sign information.

If you should notice an area of our Town that offers a potentially dangerous traffic hazard, please contact me so that we may try to correct it before someone has to suffer for my oversight in proper sign procedure.

Yours very sincerely,

Clyde B. Fogg, Jr.
Sign Officer



Guard Rails along Bennett Road were Replaced by C. Fogg, Jr. & Crew

Animal Warden

As your Animal Warden for this second consecutive year, more complaints were registered (300); however, many of these were not as serious as the previous year. I consider as serious complaints involving dog bites, domestic animals attacked or killed, and dogs that are struck by automobiles.

Improvements have been made, but more should be done especially where loose dogs are concerned. The nicest animal can cause very serious traffic accidents. With the cost of fixing your pet paralleling that of hospitalization for yourself, this problem can be painful for you and your pet.

No one driving an automobile intentionally hits an animal, and for this reason, may jeopardize their own safety by trying to avoid hitting an animal in the street. Also, consider the anguish to the driver that does hit an animal. Many times I have seen how emotionally disturbing it is to them.

To avoid these and many other unnecessary circumstances try to keep your animal on his own property and off the highway at all times, not only because it is against the law, but for the safety and protection of everyone - especially your wonderful pet.

Thank you,

Clyde B. Fogg, Jr.
Animal Warden



RUDY NIEMI, ARTISAN STONEMASON

APPRECIATIONS

The Selectmen work with Town employees daily and realize the dedication of these people to a high quality of performance in their various tasks. Mr. Henry LeClair, during his tenure, has provided the kind of leadership which enhances this morale. In the emergency created by his absence the response of all these people in maintaining the level of service expected by the Town has been outstanding.

Mr. George Crombie, Superintendent of Public Works, has accepted without any reservations an administrative burden extending well beyond any expectations of the position for which he was originally hired. His approach to all the problems demanding attention has been most commendable.

In addition to his regular duties, Mr. Thomas Rankin's activity in preparation of the Town Report and the Town Warrant - a major undertaking in a town the size of Durham - has been most appreciated.

Without the active support and interest of the Town Clerk, Miss Linda Ekdahl, and the Town Office staff, Mrs. Alma Tirrell, Mrs. Carolyn Storer, and Mrs. Nancy Brodhead, it could not have been possible to meet the innumerable deadlines for letters, reports and checks.

The Board of Selectmen want them and the Town citizens to know how much their outstanding response to a difficult situation is appreciated.

Durham has always had a high level of citizen participation in Town government. Without all of the committees of citizens the Town could not function as it does, but special thanks from the Board of Selectmen are due a number of individuals whose contributions have been unusual: Mr. Daniel Valenza for construction of the tables in the Selectmen's Meeting Room; Mr. Richard Brayton for creation of the Town Seal; Mr. Theron Tirrell for plowing the Mill Pond for skating; Dr. Robert Barth for leadership in the recreation sphere; Mr. T. Ralph Meyers for the mapping work on the water and sewer systems; Dr. Francis Hall and his graduate student, Mr. Paul Currier, for their work in resolving problems associated with delineation of Durham's flood plain. Such response to the specific needs of Durham reflect the spirit of community in the Town.

A special Thank You to Mr. and Mrs. Bradford McIntire for permitting Franklin Heald to photograph the original painting by John Hatch which is used on the front cover and inside this Town Report.

