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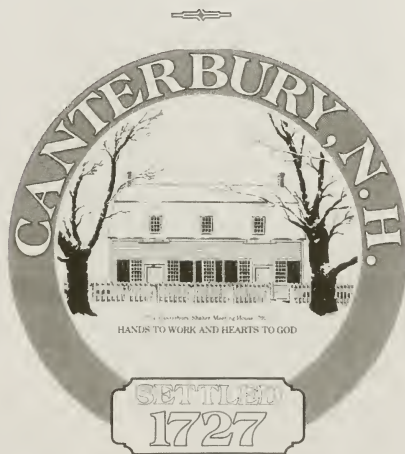
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CANTERBURY  
NEW HAMPSHIRE

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



COMPRISING THOSE OF THE SELECTMEN,  
TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR,  
HEALTH OFFICERS, ROAD AGENT, LIBRARY TRUSTEES,  
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS, PLANNING BOARD,  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, CONSERVATION COMMISSION,  
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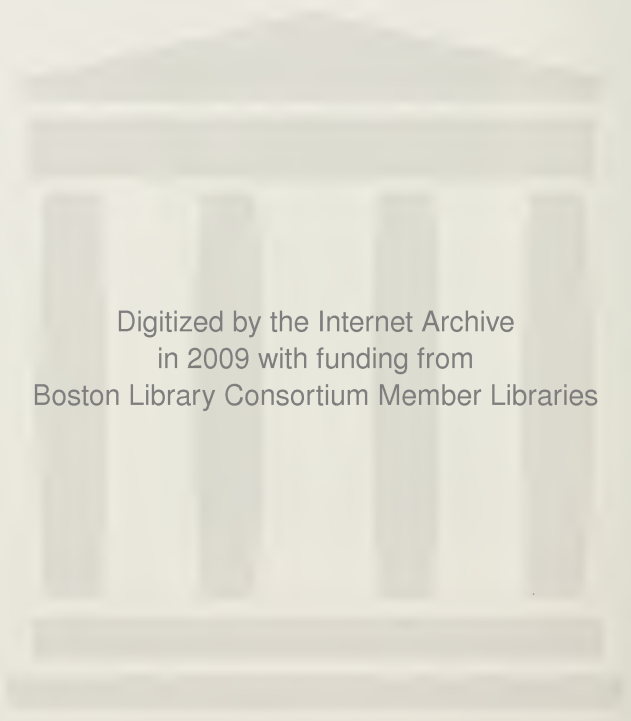


**THE 2008 ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY  
IS DEDICATED TO DALE CASWELL  
IN RECOGNITION OF HIS  
20 YEARS OF SERVICE AS CHIEF OF THE  
CANTERBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENT.**



Dale Caswell was and is a dedicated public servant, retiring in 2008 having served a total of 25 years on the Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department, 20 of those years as Chief. Dale's tenure as Chief saw the overall demand for fire and rescue services double and the demand for emergency medical services triple. In response to these demands, Dale initiated first responder training for Canterbury firefighters and greatly improved the emergency medical capabilities of the department. Another of Dale's many significant achievements was securing the grant for the new rescue truck and then designing and obtaining this magnificent asset for the Town. Though he has retired as Chief, Dale continues to volunteer his services to the department and serves as Deputy Fire Warden for the Town

In an era marked by dwindling community participation and diminished volunteerism, Dale's quarter century of dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of Canterbury truly stands out. A grateful community salutes you and wishes you well in your well-earned retirement.



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# TOWN OFFICES GENERAL INFORMATION



Web Site: [canterbury-nh.org](http://canterbury-nh.org)

**Town Administrator's Office**  
[canterburyadministrator@myfairpoint.net](mailto:canterburyadministrator@myfairpoint.net)

**Selectmen's Office**  
[canterburyselectmen@myfairpoint.net](mailto:canterburyselectmen@myfairpoint.net)

**Welfare Administrator**

**Assessing Office**  
[canterburyassessing@myfairpoint.net](mailto:canterburyassessing@myfairpoint.net)

783-9955

*Monday — Wednesday — Friday*  
*9:00–1:00*

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector**  
[canterburytaxcollect@myfairpoint.net](mailto:canterburytaxcollect@myfairpoint.net)

783-0153

*Monday 9–3 — Tuesday 11–6 — Thursday 4–8*

**Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer**  
783-9033

**Selectmen's Meetings**

1st & 3rd Monday of the month

**Planning Board Meetings**

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

As needed

**Conservation Commission**

2nd Monday of the month

**Recycling Committee**

1st Thursday of the month

**Historic District Commission**

As needed



## TOWN OFFICERS — ELECTED



### SELECTMEN (3 years)

Robert Steenson, *Chairman* (2010)

W. Briggs Lockwood (2009)

Kenneth Folsom (2011)

### TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR (3 years)

Cheryl A. Gordon (2010)

### TREASURER (1 year)

Mary Witschonke (2009)

### MODERATOR (2 years)

Wayne Mann (2010)

### PLANNING BOARD (3 years)

Jim Snyder, *Chair* (2011)      Tyson Miller, *Vice Chair* (2010)

Don Burgess (2009)      Christopher Evans (2009)

Brian Kilrain (2009)      Art Rose (2011)

#### *Alternates:*

Ken Stern (2009)      Kent Ruesswick (2009)

Chris Blair (2010)      *Secretary:* Nancy Lilly

*Selectmen's Representative:* W. Briggs Lockwood

### CEMETERY COMMITTEE (3 years)

Virginia Dudley (2010)      Michael Bertolone (2011)

Hugh Fifield (2009)

### SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST (6 years)

Brenda Murray (2014)      Mary Ann Winograd (2010)

Mary Kerwin (2012)

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Claudia Leidinger, *Chair* (2011)      Anne Nute, *3 years* (2010)

Kathleen A. Dunn, *3 years* (2010)      Kelly Papps, *2 years* (2010)

Florence Woods, *2 years* (2010)      Ronald Turcotte, *3 years* (2011)

Linda Riendeau, *3 years* (2011)

### TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS (3 years)

Greg Heath, *Chair* (2011)      Nancy Lilly (2009)

Jennifer Hopkins (2010)

## TOWN OFFICERS — APPOINTED



### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Roger A. Becker

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Janice L. Stout

### ASSESSING CLERK

Benjamin Bynum

### DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Paula Harper

### BOOKKEEPER

Mary Hauptman

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Philip K. Stone, Jr., *Road Agent*

James Sawicki      David Heath

Donald O'Connor      Jason Barry

### TRANSFER STATION

Sarah Taft, *Manager*

Norman Bowles, *Manager — Retired*

Warren Hardy      Adrienne Allaire

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Chief* John LaRoche

*Sergeant* Ernest Beaulieu      Todd Sheehan, *Part-time Officer*

Santo Fiorillo, *Part-time Officer*      James Lavery, *Part-time Officer*

Mark Ashland, *Part-time Officer*      Janet Emerson, *Administrative Asst.*

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Peter Angwin, *Chief*      Scott Ruesswick, *Deputy Chief*

Don Janelle, *Deputy Chief*      Don Maurer, *Captain*

Jon Camire, *Captain*      Jeremy Slayton, *Lieutenant*

Adam Angwin, *Lieutenant*      Geoff Hubble

David Nelson      Richard Edgcomb

Eric Grace      Ned Witham

Brian Magoon      John Michno

Mathew Nelson      Timothy Johnson

Mary Gurnee      Dale Caswell

**FIRE WARDEN**

Dale Caswell

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

Peter Angwin

**HEALTH OFFICER (PUBLIC HEALTH)**

Nadine Dahl

**DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER**

Vacant

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (3 years)**

Joseph Halla, <i>Chair</i> (2009)	F. Webster Stout (2009)
Barbie Tilton (2009)	Kenneth Sorlin (2010)
Jim Wieck (2010)	Lisa Carlson, <i>Alt. &amp; Sec.</i> (2011)

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Jennifer Taylor, <i>Chair, 3 years</i> (2011)	Galen Beale, <i>Vice-Chair, 3 years</i> (2009)
Kelly Short, <i>Treasurer, 1 year</i> (2011)	Tom Roy, <i>3 years</i> (2010)
Bob Fife, <i>3 years</i> (2010)	Fred Ficken, <i>3 years</i> (2010)
James Bassett, <i>2 years</i> (2009)	

***Alternates:***

Matt Bowser, <i>3 years</i> (2009)	Teresa Wyman, <i>3 years</i> (2010)
Jim Wieck, <i>3 years</i> (2009)	Beth McGuinn, <i>3 years</i> (2009)
Dan Sperduto, <i>3 years</i> (2011)	Paul Lepesqueur, <i>3 years</i> (2010)
Stephanie Bowser (2009)	Vicki Chase (2011)

**LIBRARY**

Susan LeClair, <i>Director</i>	Elaine DiStefano, <i>Assistant</i>
Amy Covell, <i>Assistant</i>	Linda Kotusky, <i>Children's Librarian</i>

**BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Jim Snyder

**RECREATION COMMITTEE (3 years)**

Kenneth Robichaud, <i>Chair</i> (2011)	Brian Collins (2009)
James Kotusky (2011)	Barbara Cook (2011)
Amy O'Brien (2009)	

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

Mark Hopkins, *Chair* (2011)      Ted West (2011)  
Virginia LaPlante (2011)      Anne Emerson (2010)  
Jeffrey Leidingger (2010)

**RECYCLING COMMITTEE**

Stephen Rasche, *2 years* (2010)      Jill McCullough, *1 year* (2009)  
Tim Chysostom, *3 years* (2010)      Fred Portnoy, *2 years* (2010)  
Sarah Taft, *Transfer Sta. Mgr.*      Seth Cohen  
Adrienne Allaire      Lori Lockwood  
Norman Bowles  
Robert Steenson, *Selectmen's Representative*

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Al Edelstein      Greg Muehlen  
Michael Capone      Peggy Bezanson  
Priscilla Lockwood      Robert Scarponi

# WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



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

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

*You are hereby notified to meet at the Canterbury Town Hall in said Canterbury on said Tuesday, the Tenth day of March, 2009 at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:*

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

## SECOND SESSION



*The second session will be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday, the thirteenth day of March, 2009, at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:*

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$175,000) for the replacement of the culvert located on Intervale Road and to authorize the issuance of not more than one hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$175,000) worth of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize Municipal Officials to negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. **Two-Thirds Ballot Vote Required. Recommended by Selectmen.**
3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three year Municipal Lease/Purchase Agreement for the purpose of purchasing a cruiser, with the equipment, for the Police Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand six hundred sixty five dollars and sixteen cents (\$9,665.16) after trade in for the first year's payment. The lease will not contain a "non-appropriation clause." This is a Special Warrant Article. **Two-Thirds Ballot Vote Required. Not Recommended by the Selectmen.**

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for interest on Tax Anticipation Notes.
5. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to update all of the Current Use records and to appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) as an initial funding amount. Furthermore, name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Capital Reserve Fund. **This is a Special Warrant Article. Recommended by the Selectmen.**
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand twenty one dollars and eighteen cents (\$3,021.18) for the purchase of (4) 6.5' X 12' aluminum soccer nets. **Petitioned Warrant Article. Not Recommended by the Selectmen.**
7. To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of two million two hundred thirteen thousand three hundred seventeen dollars and thirty seven cents (\$2,213,317.37) for the same.
8. To see if the Town will vote to organize a Fire Department, and other public safety related services according to RSA 154:1, I (b) whereby the Fire Chief will be appointed annually by the Selectmen to a one-year term and the firefighters will be appointed by the Selectmen, upon the recommendation of the Fire Chief. The Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. (CVFD) will continue to exist as a fraternal organization, but will have no operational authority over the newly created Fire Department. All apparatus and equipment presently in use by the CVFD has been, and will continue to be, the property of the Town of Canterbury. Further, the Fire Chief shall be recommended to the Selectmen for appointment under the provisions of RSA 154:1, II, allowing the recommendation of the Fire Chief by the Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians of the Canterbury Fire Department. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**
9. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Canterbury Agricultural Commission, pursuant to RSA 673:4-b, RSA 674:44 and RSA 674:44-f. The Commission shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) regular members and up to five (5) alternates may be appointed. **Recommended by the Selectmen.**

10. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to utilize State and Federal funds to maximize energy efficiency in town buildings and cut municipal energy cost. **Petitioned Warrant Article.**

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

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and nine.

*Robert Steenson, Chairman*

*W. Briggs Lockwood*

*Kenneth Folsom*

## 2008 BUDGET — TOWN OF CANTERBURY



EXPENSE BUDGET	2008 Budget	Actual Expenses as of 12/31/08	2009 Proposed	+/- '08 budget	Encum- bered	Revenue Offsets
<b>4130 EXECUTIVE</b>						
4130.1 Selectmen Salaries	6,100.00	6,100.00	6,100.00	—		
4130.10 Office Supplies	2,750.00	4,504.60	2,750.00	—		
4130.11 Health Insurance	21,950.00	21,918.24	21,156.00	(794)		11,877
4130.12 Postage	750	674.32	750	—		
4130.13 Recruitment Expenses	0	0	—	—		
4130.2 Clerical Wages	0	0	—	—		
4130.21 Admin Wages	22,500	21,591.19	23,175.00	675		
4130.22 Assessing Wages	19,000	14,929.12	19,570.00	570		
4130.23 Assessing Asst.	0	—	6,500.00	6,500		
4130.3 Town Administrator Salary	33,000.00	27,169.67	33,990.00	990		
4130.31 Town Admin Health Insurance	14,650.00	15,720.18	14,100.00	(550)		9,468
4130.4 Office Equipment Repairs	375	0	375	—		
4130.5 Selectmen Seminars	405	325	345	(60)		
4130.6 Telephone	2,700.00	3,472.13	3,200.00	500		
4130.7 Printing	250	113.14	150	(100)		
4130.8 Office Equipment	4,000.00	2,580.84	2,000.00	(2,000)		
4130.9 Software Support	3,200.00	6,136.74	3,590.00	390		
<b>Total 4130 EXECUTIVE</b>	<b>131,630.00</b>	<b>125,235.17</b>	<b>137,751.00</b>	<b>6,121</b>		



EXPENSE BUDGET		2008	Actual	2009	+/- '08	Encum-	Revenue
		Budget	Expenses as	Proposed	budget	bered	Offsets
			of 12/31/08				
<b>4130-1 TOWN REPORT</b>							
4130.1a	Printing Town Report	4,250.00	4,598.00	4,500.00			
<b>Total 4130-1 TOWN REPORT</b>		<b>4,250.00</b>	<b>4,598.00</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>	<b>250</b>		
<b>4140 ELECTION, REG &amp; VITAL STATS</b>							
4140.10	Town Clerk Seminars	780	352.95	780	—		
4140.11	Dog Tags	1,500.00	0	1,500.00	—		
4140.12	Election Wages	800	2,888.00	1,100.00	300		
4140.13	Voter Checklists	0	0	—	—		
4140.14	Election Advertising	150	176.15	100	(50)		
4140.15	Election Misc. Supplies	1,000.00	906.96	500	(500)		
4140.16	Voting Machine	2,500.00	2,537.65	500	(2,000)		
4140.18	Town Clerk Fees						
18a	Sticker Fees	3,800.00	3,813.50	3,800.00	—		
18b	Registrations Fees	5,000.00	5,022.00	5,000.00	—		
18c	Title Fees	1,200.00	912	1,200.00	—		
4140.18	Town Clerk Fees — Other	800	290.5	800	—		
4140.19	Vital Statistic Fees	400	387	400	—		
4140.2	Marriage License Fees	400	38	400	—		
4140.20	Software Support	1,100.00	3,169.50	1,100.00	—		
4140.3	Deputy Town Clerk Salary	14,000.00	14,144.21	14,420.00	420		
4140.31	Deputy Town Clerk Health Ins	0	0	7,047.36	7,047		2,419

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<i>4140 — Election, Reg &amp; Vital Stats — continued</i>						
4140.7 Town Clerk Office Supplies	2,000.00	2,021.47	2,000.00	—		
4140.8 Town Clerk Office Equipment	2,000.00	2,001.43	1,500.00	(500)		
<b>Total 4140 ELECTION, REG &amp; VITAL STATS</b>	<b>37,430.00</b>	<b>38,661.32</b>	<b>42,147.36</b>	<b>4,717</b>		
<b>4150 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</b>						
4150.1 Tax Collector Salary	20,000.00	18,333.37	22,000.00	2,000		
4150.11 Tax Collector Health Insurance	14,244.00	8,952.14	14,097.12	(148)		9,468
4150.10 Registrar of Deeds	800	985.79	900	100		
4150.2 Tax Collector Fees	0	0	—	—		
4150.4 Outside Auditing	15,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00	(1,000)		
4150.6 Tax Map Maintenance	3,000.00	1,641.67	3,000.00	—		
4150.7 Tax Collector Seminars	900	1,367.45	900	—		
4150.91 Tax Collector — Liens	1,800.00	1,724.00	1,800.00	—		
4150.93 Treasurer — Salary	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	—		
4150.931 Bookkeeper wages	14,500.00	9,965.79	14,935.00	435		
Software for TC	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	—		
4150.94 Software Support	1,900.00	1,951.00	2,100.00	200		
4150.95 Tax Collector Office Supplies	1,600.00	1,437.26	1,500.00	(100)		
4150.96 Tax Collector Postage	2,500.00	2,761.58	2,500.00	—		
4150.97 Treasurer Seminar	100	0	100	—		
4150.98 Treasurer Mileage Reimbursement	500	0	—	-500		
<b>Total 4150 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>84,444.00</b>	<b>70,720.05</b>	<b>85,432.12</b>	<b>987</b>		

	2008	Actual Expenses as of 12/31/08	2009 Proposed	+/- '08 budget	Encumbered	Revenue Offsets
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET</b>						
<b>4152 REVALUATION OF PROPERTY</b>						
Rolling Reval	25,000.00	32,217.59	25,000.00	—		
Current Use	0	0	—	—		
4152.1 Property Update/Pickups	6,000.00	8,015.00	6,000.00	—		
<b>Total 4152 REVALUATION OF PROPERTY</b>	<b>31,000.00</b>	<b>40,232.59</b>	<b>31,000.00</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>4153 LEGAL EXPENSES</b>						
4351.2 Landfill	0	0	—	—		
4153.3 General Municipal	7,500.00	7,991.60	7,500.00	—		
<b>Total 4153 LEGAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	<b>7,991.60</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>4155 PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION</b>						
<i>Payroll Expense</i>						
4199.0082 Social Security	51,000.00	46,891.77	46,912.21	(4,088)		
<b>Total 4155 PERSONNEL ADMIN.</b>	<b>51,000.00</b>	<b>46,891.77</b>	<b>46,912.21</b>	<b>(4,088)</b>		
<b>4191 PLANNING/ZONING BOARD</b>						
4191.1 PB Postage	600	1,129.49	600	—		
4191.10 PB Seminar	100	0	100	—		
4191.2 PB Secretary Wages	4,800.00	4,686.28	4,944.00	144		
4191.5 PB Professional Services	10,000.00	1,504.20	—	(10,000)	8,000	
4191.6 PB Advertising	700	694.07	700	—		
4191.7 PB Printing	1,000.00	0	1,000.00	—		

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<i>4191 — Planning/Zoning Board — continued</i>						
4191.8 PB Supplies	850	402.73	850	—		
4191.9 Equipment	0	0	—	—		
4191.11 ZBA Secretary Wages	1,600	1,395.73	1,648.00	48		
4191.13 ZBA Postage	500	722.98	500	—		
4191.14 ZBA Advertising	1,000	904.71	1,000.00	—		
4191.15 ZBA Supplies	200	256.13	200	—		
4191.16 ZBA — Seminar	50	—	50	—		
<b>Total 4191 PLANNING BOARD</b>	<b>21,400.00</b>	<b>11,696.32</b>	<b>11,592.00</b>	<b>(9,808)</b>		
<b>4194 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS</b>						
4194.19 Janitorial Services	6,000.00	6,060.00	6,520.00	520		
4194.18 Library Propane						
4194-17 Meeting House Maint.	500	551.92	550	50		
4194-1 Center Electricity	450	290	450	—		
4194.10 Police Department Electricity						
4194.11 Historical Society Maintenance	300	0	—	(300)		
4194.12 Historical Society Electricity	450	927.21	850	400		
4194.13 Town Buildings Heat/Oil/Propane	30,500.00	30,747.20	30,000.00	(500)		
4194.14 Municipal Building Electricity	7,500.00	7,563.33	7,500.00	—		
4194.15 Municipal Bldg/Library Propane	0	0	—	—		
4194.16 Municipal Building Alarms	660	330	660	—		
4194.17 Municipal Bldg Maint	2,500.00	9,786.74	2,500.00	—		

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<i>4194 — General Government Buildings — continued</i>						
4194.2 Town Hall Maintenance	450	110.7	500	50		
4194.3 Town Hall Electricity	1,000.00	926.77	1,000.00	—		
4194.4 Hwy/FD Maintenance	0	0	—	—		
4194.5 Town Building Emergency Fund	0	2,721.73	1	1		
4194.6 Hwy/FD Electricity						
4194.7 Sam Lake Maintenance	7,500.00	5,789.49	7,500.00	—		
4194.8 Sam Lake Electricity	1,500.00	1,300.22	1,200.00	(300)		
4194.9 Police Department Maintenance						
4194.18 Sam Lake Security System			299.00	299		
<b>Total 4194 GENERAL GOV. BUILDINGS</b>	<b>59,310.00</b>	<b>67,105.31</b>	<b>59,530.00</b>	<b>220</b>		
<b>4195 CEMETERIES</b>						
4195.1 Cemetery Wages	13,500	13,458.74	13,500.00	—		
4195.2 Sub-Contractor	500	—	500	—		
4195.3 Equipment Repairs	0	8.9	—	—		
4195.4 Gas & Oil	0	—	—	—		
4195.5 Parts & Supplies	500	548.64	500	—		
<b>Total 4195 CEMETERIES</b>	<b>14,500.00</b>	<b>14,016.28</b>	<b>14,500.00</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>4196 INSURANCE</b>						
4196.2 Worker's Compensation	16,750.00	16,856.22	18,650.00	1,900		
4196.3 Liability	24,643.00	25,278.40	26,860.87	2,218		
4196.4 Disability	3,200.00	2,850.48	2,800.00	(400)		
<b>Total 4196 INSURANCE</b>	<b>44,593.00</b>	<b>44,985.10</b>	<b>48,310.87</b>	<b>3,718</b>		

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<b>4197 ADVERTISING &amp; REGIONAL DEV.</b>						
4197.1 Local Government Center Assoc.	1,600.00	1,687.63	1,730.00	130		
4197.10 Town Clerk Dues	20	20	20			
4197.11 Tax Collector Dues	20	0	20			
4197.2 Central NH Planning	2,351.00	2,351.00	2,360.00	9		
4197.3 NH Resource Recover	100	100	100			
4197.4 Assoc. of Assessing Dues	20	20	20			
4197.5 Reg/Conc Solid Waste	20	0	20			
4197.6 Upper Merrimack River	100	0	100			
4197.8 NH Health Association	25	0	25			
4197.9 Federal DOT Drug Testing	200	0	604	404		
<b>Total 4197 ADVERTISING &amp; REG. DEV.</b>	<b>4,456.00</b>	<b>4,178.63</b>	<b>4,999.00</b>	<b>543</b>		
<b>4199 BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE</b>						
<b>4240 BUILDING INSPECTION</b>						
4120.10 Code Enforcement	4,110.00	4,260.00	4,110.00			
4120.2 Supplies	800	748.29	800			
4120.3 Seminars	100	0	100			
4120.4 Gasoline	200	400	400	200		
4240.1 Salary	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00			
<b>Total 4240 BUILDING INSPECTION</b>	<b>8,610.00</b>	<b>8,808.29</b>	<b>8,810.00</b>	<b>200</b>		

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<b>EXPENSE BUDGET</b>						
<b>4652 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>						
4652.1 Website/Legal/Signs	0	0	—	—		
4652.2 Hall Road Industrial Park	0	50,937.34	—	—		
<b>Total 4652 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50,937.34</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$500,123.84</b>	<b>\$536,057.77</b>	<b>\$502,984.53</b>			
<b>4210 POLICE</b>						
4210.1 Wages	149,103.48	145,709.03	153,576.09	4,473		52,500
4210.10 Sub-Contractor	50,000.00	54,228.00	50,000.00	—		
4210.11 Seminars/Dues/Subscriptions	400	145	300	(100)		
4210.12 Prosecutor	600	600	900	300		
4210.13 Telephone	4,400.00	4,132.11	4,400.00	—		
4210.14 Training	1,500.00	687.78	1,200.00	(300)		
4210.15 Software Support	1,000.00	500	800	(200)		
4210.16 Retirement	18,969.01	14,762.40	28,144.00	9,175		
4210.2 Cruiser Maintenance	3,800.00	3,791.56	3,800.00	—		
4210.3 Health Insurance	39,572.88	39,452.88	57,085.00	17,512		
4210.5 Radios & Repairs	800	212.5	700	(100)		
4210.6 Dispatch	7,300.00	7,257.00	8,500.00	1,200		
4210.7 Gas/Oil	10,000.00	12,009.90	10,000.00	—		
4210.8 Office Supplies	2,300.00	1,543.40	2,000.00	(300)		
4210.81 Office Equipment	0	0	—	—		
4210.9 Uniforms	4,500.00	2,887.69	4,000.00	—		

EXPENSE BUDGET	2008 Budget	Actual Expenses as of 12/31/08	2009 Proposed	+/- '08 budget	Encumbered	Revenue Offsets
<i>4210 — Police — continued</i>						
4210.91 Supplies/New Equipment	2,200.00	2,415.36	2,200.00	(500)		
<b>Total 4210 POLICE</b>	<b>296,445.37</b>	<b>290,334.61</b>	<b>327,605.09</b>	<b>31,160</b>		
<b>4215 Civil Defense Emergency Mgmt / Civil Defense</b>						
	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>4220 FIRE</b>						
4220.00 Full Time EMT		26,520.00	26,520			
4220.01 EMT Health Insurance		12,685.33	12,685			
4220.02 EMT Retirement		4,256.67	4,257			
4220.03 Disability		390	390			
4220.04 Medicare		384.67	385			
4220.05 Workers Comp		1,270.00	1,270			
4220.06 Weekend Standby		9,533.33	9,533			
4220.1 Reimbursement	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	—		
4220.10 Dry Hydrants	2,800.00	0	—	(2,800)	2,800	
4220.2 Forest Fire Costs	800	471.51	800	—		
4220.3 Vehicle Maintenance	10,000.00	4,917.77	8,000.00	(2,000)		
4220.4 Training & Prevention	3,000.00	2,259.58	3,000.00	—		
4220.5 Dispatch	18,655.00	18,655.00	18,934.00	279		
4220.6 Communications	5,500.00	5,202.57	5,500.00	—		
4220.8 Gasoline & Oil	2,100.00	2,804.36	2,100.00	—		
4220.9 Fire & Rescue Equipment	14,000.00	13,523.96	9,000.00	(5,000)		



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<i>4220 — Fire — continued</i>						
	550	497.42	550	—		
4220.91 Office supplies						
4220.91 Office Equipment	2,500.00	572.15	1,500.00	(1,000)		1,900
4220.92 Medical Training	1,900.00	1,900.00	2,500.00	600		
4220.93 Medical Supplies & Equipment	5,000.00	6,588.86	4,000.00	(1,000)		
4220.94 Equipment Maintenance	2,500.00	1,852.30	2,500.00	—		
4220.95 Forest Fire Equipment	2,500.00	2,489.17	2,500.00	—		
4220.12 Uniforms	800	2,026.64	1,300.00	500		
4220 Turn Out Gear	0		7,200.00	7,200		
<b>Total 4220 FIRE</b>	<b>92,605.00</b>	<b>83,761.29</b>	<b>144,424.00</b>	<b>51,819</b>		
4415.2 Penacook Rescue	28,600.00	28,600.00	28,600.00	—		
4415.3 Belmont Rescue	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	—		
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY = Police + Fire</b>	<b>422,651.37</b>	<b>407,695.90</b>	<b>505,630.58</b>	<b>82,979</b>		
<b>4311-1 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION</b>						
4311.1 Wages	196,600.00	190,475.62	198,000.00	1,400		
4311.2 Sub-Contractor	12,000.00	10,145.18	12,000.00	—		
4311.3 Equipment Repairs	23,000.00	21,349.05	28,000.00	5,000		
4311.4 Health Insurance	48,960.00	37,991.64	48,960.00	—		
4311.5 Retirement	26,125.00	20,891.37	26,125.00	—		
4311.6 Telephone	1,200.00	1,416.67	1,200.00	—		
4311.7 Supplies	10,000.00	10,079.63	10,000.00	—		
4311.8 Gasoline & Diesel	18,000.00	35,941.74	35,000.00	17,000		

EXPENSE BUDGET	2008		Actual		2009	+/- '08 budget	Encum- bered	Revenue Offsets
	Budget	Expenses as of 12/31/08	Proposed	Actual				
<i>4311-1 — Highway Administration — continued</i>								
4311.9 Tires	3,000.00	2,789.55	3,000.00	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total 4311-1 HIGHWAY ADMIN.</b>	<b>338,885.00</b>	<b>331,080.45</b>	<b>362,285.00</b>	<b>23,400</b>				
<b>4312-1 HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>								
4312.1 Salt	15,000.00	21,284.35	20,000.00	5,000				
4312.3 Road Tar	70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	—				
4312.4 Road Improvements	50,000.00	22,500.05	25,000.00	(25,000)	27,499.95			
4612.2 Sand & Gravel	40,000.00	38,187.24	40,000.00	—				
<b>Total 4312-1 HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>	<b>175,000.00</b>	<b>151,971.64</b>	<b>155,000.00</b>	<b>(20,000)</b>				
<b>4313 CULVERTS &amp; BRIDGES</b>								
4313.1 Culvert/Bridge Maintenance	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	—				
<b>Total 4313 CULVERTS &amp; BRIDGES</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>	<b>1,600.00</b>	<b>—</b>				
4316 STREET LIGHTING	2,000.00	2,454.23	2,000.00	—				
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>517,485.00</b>	<b>487,106.32</b>	<b>520,885.00</b>	<b>3,400</b>				
<b>4321-1 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION</b>								
4321.1 Wages	50,000.00	48,989.56	40,000.00	(10,000)				
4321.2 Recycling Services	20,000.00	17,113.46	20,000.00	—				
4321.4 Telephone	500	864.02	500	—				
4321.5 Supplies	1,000.00	774.75	1,000.00	—				

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<i>4321-1 — Solid Waste Collection — continued</i>						
4321.6 Electricity	2,100.00	2,094.98	2,100.00	—		
4321.7 Gas & Oil	1,500.00	2,121.58	1,500.00	—		
4323.10 Seminars	400	50	400	—		
4323.11 Health Insurance	14,500.00	7,673.28	21,132.00	6,632		4,838
4323.12 Truck Repairs	1,000.00	1,220.59	1,000.00	—		
4323.15 Hazardous Waste	0	0	—	—		
Ground Water Testing	8,200.00	0	—	(8,200)		
4323.16 Equipment Repair	1,000.00	0	1,000.00	—		
4323.8 Central NH Waste	1	0	1	—		
4323.9 Building Maintenance	1,000.00	773.91	1,000.00	—		
Bag Purchases	0	0	7,000.00	7,000		
<b>Total 4321-1 SOLID WASTE COLL.</b>	<b>101,201.00</b>	<b>81,676.13</b>	<b>96,633.00</b>	<b>(4,568)</b>		<b>65,000</b>
<b>4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</b>						
4324.1 Co-op Tipping Fee	29,000.00	22,393.60	29,000.00	—		
<b>Total 4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</b>	<b>29,000.00</b>	<b>22,393.60</b>	<b>29,000.00</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>TOTAL SOLID WASTE EXPENSE</b>	<b>130,201.00</b>	<b>104,069.73</b>	<b>125,633.00</b>	<b>(4,568)</b>		
<b>HEALTH</b>						
4411.2 Health Officer	100	0	100	—		
4414.1 Animal Control	500	120	500	—		
4415.1 Hospital	0	0	—	—		
<b>TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>—</b>		

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<b>WELFARE</b>						
4441.1 Welfare Administrator	1,200.00	34.82	1,560.00	360		
4441.2 Aid/Disabled VNA	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	—		
4441.3 Community Action Program	2,088.00	2,088.00	2,192.00	104		
	<b>4,288.00</b>	<b>4,122.82</b>	<b>4,752.00</b>	<b>464</b>		
4442.1 Direct Assistance	10,000.00	8,627.02	20,000.00	10,000		
<b>TOTAL ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>8,627.02</b>	<b>24,752.00</b>	<b>15,352</b>		
<b>4550 LIBRARY</b>						
4550.1 Wages	68,000.00	68,903.97	73,600.00	5,600		
4550.10 Insurance	12,000.00	11,509.92	8,800.00	(3,200)		
4550.12 Tech Support	0	0	—	—		
4550.2 Maintenance	1,200.00	2,140.20	1,200.00	—		
4550.21 Cleaning	3,200.00	3,300.00	3,250.00	50		
4550.3 Books/Mag/Tapes/Prog	3,000.00	3,303.80	3,000.00	—		
4550.4 Dues/Mtgs/Educ	150	355	300	150		
4550.5 Telephone	1,110.00	1,266.34	1,400.00	290		
4550.7 Electricity	5,500.00	4,774.00	5,500.00	—		
4550.8 Postage	150	83	150	—		
4550.9 Equipment Supplies	3,200.00	3,244.20	3,300.00	100		
From Library Trusts	16,000.00	14,145.27	3,300.00	(16,000)		23,500.00
<b>Total 4550 LIBRARY</b>	<b>113,510.00</b>	<b>113,025.70</b>	<b>124,000.00</b>	<b>10,490</b>		<b>23,500.00</b>

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<b>4583 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES</b>						
4583.1 Memorial Day	250	183.51	250	—		
4583.2 Fourth of July	4,000.00	4,013.35	4,100.00	100		
<b>Total 4583 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES</b>	<b>4,250.00</b>	<b>4,196.86</b>	<b>4,350.00</b>	<b>100</b>		
<b>4589 HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b>						
4589.3 Town Hall Celebration	0	0	—	—		
4589.1 Preservation Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	—		
4589.2 Misc. Supplies	150	150	150	—		
<b>Total 4589 HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b>	<b>1,150.00</b>	<b>1,150.00</b>	<b>1,150.00</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>4651 HISTORICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION</b>						
4651.1 Secretary Wages	0	0	—	—		
4651.2 Postage	50	11.06	50	—		
4651.3 Printing	100	0	100	—		
<b>Total 4651 HISTORICAL DISTRICT COM.</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>11.06</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>TOTAL CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>119,060.00</b>	<b>118,383.62</b>	<b>129,650.00</b>	<b>10,590</b>		
<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>						
4520.1 Repairs	100	0	100	—		
4520.2 Equipment	400	0	400	—		
<b>TOTAL PARKS &amp; REC</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>—</b>		

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<b>CONSERVATION</b>						
4611.1 Dues	500	300	500	—		
4611.2 Postage	350	—	350	—		
4611.3 Printing & Advertising	125	250	125	—		
4611.4 Supplies	530	174.5	530	—		
4611.5 Professional Services	1,000.00	1,147.77	1,000.00	—		
4611.6 Training	500	—	500	—		
4611.7 Environmental Monitoring	650	—	650	—		
4611.8 Land & Easement Stewardship	2,500.00	—	2,500.00	—		
4611.9 Software	175	—	175	—		
<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION</b>	<b>6,330.00</b>	<b>1,872.27</b>	<b>6,330.00</b>	<b>—</b>		
<b>LONG TERM DEBTS</b>						
4711.2 2003 Bond Principal (mun. bldg)	115,000.00	115,000.00	115,000.00	—		
4711.4 2002 Hildreth Field Note Prin.	0	0	13,500.00	13,500		
4711.5 Gold Star Bond (principal)	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	—		
<b>TOTAL PRINCIPAL</b>	<b>155,000.00</b>	<b>155,000.00</b>	<b>168,500.00</b>	<b>13,500</b>		
4721.10 Bond Anticipation Note	—	0	—	—		
4721.3 Bond Interest Payment	0	0	—	—		
4721.5 2002 Bond Interest	0	0	—	—		
4721.7 2003 Bond Interest (mun. bldg)	85,100.00	85,100.00	85,100.00	—		
4721.8 Hildreth Field Note	0	2,936.25	5,568.75	2,632.50		
Bond Interest + Fees	3,500.00	0	(3,500)			

EXPENSE BUDGET	2008 Budget	Actual Expenses as of 12/31/08	2009 Proposed	+/- '08 budget	Encum- bered	Revenue Offsets
<i>Interest — continued</i>						
4721.9 Gold Star Interest	32,184.00	32,183.76	30,184.00	(2,000)		
<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>	<b>120,784.00</b>	<b>120,220.01</b>	<b>120,852.75</b>	<b>(6,875)</b>		
<b>4915 PAYMENTS TO CAPITAL RESERVE</b>						
4915.1 Conservation Comm.	20,000.00	20,000.00	—	(20,000)		
4915.10 Revaluation	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	—		
4915.11 Canterbury/Boscawen Bridge	0	0	—	—		
4915.3 Highway Truck	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	—		
4915.4 Highway Grader	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	—		
4915.5 Landfill Closure	20,000.00	20,000.00	5,000.00	(15,000)		
4915.7 Fire Apparatus	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	—		
4915.8 Rescue Apparatus	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	—		
4915.9 Highway Equipment	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	—		
4915.12 Town Building Maint. Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	—		
4915.13 Industrial Park	10,000.00	10,000.00	—	(10,000)		
<b>Total 4915 Payments To Capital Reserve</b>	<b>152,000.00</b>	<b>152,000.00</b>	<b>107,000.00</b>	<b>(45,000)</b>		
<b>TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>	<b>152,000.00</b>	<b>152,000.00</b>	<b>107,000.00</b>	<b>(45,000)</b>		
<b>SUB-TOTAL ALL DEPT EXPENSE</b>	<b>2,139,022.00</b>	<b>2,095,275.46</b>	<b>2,213,317.37</b>	<b>73,996</b>	<b>42,699.95</b>	

	2008 Budget	Actual Expenses as of 12/31/08	2009 Proposed	+/- '08 budget	Encumbered	Revenue Offsets
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET</b>						
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>						
Police Cruiser			9,665.16			
Soccer Nets — By Petition			3,021.18	3,021.18		
Culvert			175,000.00			
Capital Reserve Fund for Current Use Project			15,000.00			
Land Purchase — Con Com	261,000	261,000				
Pump rebuild	8,000.00	8,009.76				
Highway Truck	79,500.00	79,496.00				
TAN Interest	5,000.00	7,559.11	5,000.00			
<b>SUB-TOTAL WITH WARRANT ARTICLES</b>	<b>\$2,492,523.21</b>	<b>\$2,451,340.33</b>	<b>\$2,421,003.71</b>	<b>(71,519.50)</b>		



**REVENUE TO OFFSET — 2009 BUDGET**

	Estimated 2008	Actual 2008	Estimated 2009
<b>TAXES</b>			
Yield Tax & LUCT	15,000.00	9,017.58	7,500.00
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	40,000.00	60,782.88	55,000.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	6,257.00	13,252.15	6,257.00
Excavation Tax \$0.2 per CY	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excavation Activity Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES — STATE</b>			
Shared Revenues	9,950.00	15,910.00	13,000.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	90,000.00	100,510.00	85,000.00
Highway Block Grant	75,000.00	79,300.65	75,000.00
Reim. State Fed Forest Land	300.00	415.22	350.00
<b>LICENSES &amp; PERMITS</b>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	400,000.00	390,802.74	350,000.00
Building Permit Fees	7,500.00	5,591.60	6,000.00
Other Lic. Permits & Fees	19,000.00	14,069.78	13,500.00
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			
Income from Departments	77,100.00	78,273.99	61,440.00
Enterprise Fund/Pay By Bag Fund	72,900.00	81,932.23	65,000.00
<b>MISC. REVENUES</b>			
Interest on Deposits	7,500.00	4,492.98	3,000.00
Transfer from Trust Funds	0.00		
Sale of Municipal Property	0.00	0.00	0.00
Health Insurance Reimb.	27,000.00	29,739.46	29,739.46
Insurance Claim Money	0.00	10,275.00	0.00
Gold Star Rent	77,000.00	77,877.00	75,000.00
Capital Reserves	90,200.00	94,496.65	28,500.00
Land Use Change Fund Withdrawal	75,500.00	75,500.00	0.00
Sam Lake Trust Withdrawal	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Misc. Income	0.00	1,226.00	0.00
NSF Fee	0.00	50.00	0.00
Hildreth's Field Donation	0.00	5,200.00	0.00
Library Trust Funds	16,000.00	16,000.00	23,500.00
From Surplus	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
Long Term Dept	130,500.00	130,500.00	175,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,344,207.00</b>	<b>1,402,715.91</b>	<b>1,172,786.46</b>
Appropriations Recommended			\$2,213,317.37
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended			207,686.34
<b>Total Appropriations</b>			<b>2,421,003.71</b>
<b>Less: Amount of Est. Revenues &amp; Credits</b>			<b>1,172,786.46</b>
<b>Estimated Amount of Taxes to be raised</b>			<b>1,248,217.25</b>

# MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING FIRST SESSION

MARCH 11, 2009



Town elections were held March 11, 2008 at the Canterbury Town Hall.

Wayne Mann, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. *A motion was made by Cheryl Gordon to dispense with the reading of the warrant. The motion was seconded by Janice Stout. Motion was passed by majority vote.*

Selectmen Robert Steenson and Briggs Lockwood were present to verify that the ballot box was empty.

Necessary town officers for the year ensuing were chosen by ballot.

The meeting was recessed at 7:00 p.m. The ballots were counted and the results were as follows:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 1 position, 3 years**

Kenneth Folsom .....286

**SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST: 1 position, 6 years**

Brenda Murray.....317

**PLANNING BOARD: 2 positions, 1 year**

Don Burgess .....6

Brian Kilrain.....4

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE: 1 position, 3 years**

Michael Bertolone .....10

**PLANNING BOARD: 2 positions, 3 years**

Arthur Rose .....263

James Snyder.....236

**TREASURER: 1 position, 1 year**

Mary Witschonke .....171

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES: 2 positions, 3 years**

Linda Reindeau.....285

Ronald Turcotte .....270

**MODERATOR: one position, 2 years**

Wayne Mann .....298

**TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS: 1 position, 3 years**

Greg Heath .....86

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 1 to the existing Canterbury Zoning ordinance as proposed by the planning board? The changes in this amendment would bring the floodplain ordinance into compliance with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance program.

**Passed. YES: 284      NO: 22**

3. Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading equipment?

**Passed. YES: 272      NO: 48**

## **SECOND SESSION**

Wayne Mann, Moderator, opened the recessed 266th Canterbury Town Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on the 14th of March. The American Flag was presented by Chief John LaRoche, Officer Mark Ashland and Sergeant Ernest Beaulieu. All joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The moderator presented his instructions for the conduct of the meeting and the location of all fire exits was noted. The Moderator introduced the Town Officials on the podium: Paula Harper, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cheryl Gordon, Town clerk/Tax Collector, Selectmen Robert Steenson, Kenneth Folsom, Briggs Lockwood and Town Administrator, Roger Becker.

The Moderator gave a brief overview of the Town Report cover and also noted that the Town Report, itself, was dedicated to Frank Tupper.

The Moderator reminded the voters that most of the people who serve on various Town committees do so as volunteers. This announcement resulted in a round of applause.

John Scarponi thanked Fire Chief Caswell and congratulated him on his retirement. He then requested that we take a moment to thank Chief Caswell which resulting in a round of applause for the Chief's years of service to the people of Canterbury.

Wayne Mann announced the election results and the results of the 2 questions on the ballot, both questions passed.

Moderator Mann announced that the Boy Scouts were selling refreshments at the back of the hall.

### **Announcement of procedures:**

The moderator explained that only registered voters may speak and then with a limit of three (3) minutes. Registered voters will have only one turn per amendment and should raise their hands to speak. The moderator asked if all

registered voters had their yes/no cards and the paper ballot that they received when checking in.

The moderator discussed Inserts to the town report.

#### ARTICLE 4.

*To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred sixty one thousand dollars (\$261,000) for the purchase of a parcel consisting of two contiguous lots on Kimball pond road known as Hildreth's field, together 45 acres, tax map 8 lot 037.000 and tax map 8 lot 037.001 and to further authorize the issuance of up to one hundred thirty thousand five hundred dollars (\$130,500) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA33) to authorize the selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project: and to authorize the Board of selectmen to issue negotiate sell and deliver such bonds or note and to determine the rate of interest thereon further to authorize the withdrawal of seventy five thousand five hundred dollars (\$75,000) from the Conservation Commission Fund and fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. **Two Thirds ballot vote required. Recommended by the Selectmen.***

*Motion Douglas Russwick, Second John Bouton*

Jennifer Taylor, Chairwoman of the Conservation Commission, spoke in favor of the motion. Jennifer stated that the Commission had considered its scenic view, centralized open space, and watershed issues as part of their criteria for selecting this parcel. It is currently assessed at \$261, 000. If the article passes this evening, there is an anonymous pledge from a Canterbury resident of \$5,000.00. The funding for the land will be provided by a general obligation bond with a face value of \$130,500, seventy five thousand five hundred dollars (\$75,500) from the conservation commission fund and fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from the conservation capital reserve fund created for this purpose. The five thousand dollar donation will be used to offset the first year's principal payment.

Mr. Doug Russwick could not find the \$55,000 and \$75,000 amounts referenced in the Town Report. Selectmen Bob Steenson said that on page 43 of the Town Report you could find the balances for the two funds: the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve Fund has a current balance of \$65,853.24 and the Conservation Fund has a balance of \$88,500.

John Scarponi asked the selectmen if they were in favor of the article and why.

Selectmen Steenson said the Board was unanimously in favor of the purchase, finding the \$261,000 purchase price as being reasonable and "too good to

pass up.” We already have \$130,000 and only need to bond half, adding 6 cents to the tax rate in the first year and tapering off to 4 cents in the tenth year. The Selectmen are also concerned about safeguarding the water resources of the town. Referencing RSA36-A, Selectman Briggs Lockwood read a part of the legislation offering what is deemed appropriate for the Conservation Commission to purchase in the name of the Town. This land fits the description listed in the RSA relating to Conservation Commissions.

Judy Nelson questioned if the amount of the bond will be reduced by \$5,000 as a consequence of the anonymous donation. Selectmen Steenson and Jen Taylor of the Conservation Commission agreed that the donation would be used to reduce the first year’s principal payment.

Ken Stern, Emily Brunkhurst, Darrell Covell and Howard Moffett spoke in favor of the article.

*Jamie Kotusky made a motion to vote. Darrell Covell seconded.*

Kelly Short asked for clarification on how to mark the ballot. Portable voting boxes were passed throughout the crowd for the collection of ballots. Voting started at 7:35 p.m. Moderator Mann announced that the voting will close at 8:35 p.m.

## **ARTICLE 5.**

*To raise such money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations (\$2,139,023) for the same.*

**POINT OF ORDER:** MIKE CAPONE QUESTIONED WHETHER DISCUSSIONS AND VOTING CAN OCCUR WHEN THE VOTING FOR ARTICLE 4 WAS STILL PENDING. MODERATOR MANN STATED THAT IT CAN.

*Motion Ken Jordan, Second Jim Snyder*

Bob Steenson explained that we must use “gross appropriations” when budgeting. For example, when accounting for the purchase of the new rescue truck last year, we should have shown the total purchase price as an expense with the grant money showing as revenue offsetting the expense. Bob noted that the Town Report was changed accordingly and the DRA requires this format for all budget line items and that voters should note these changes in all areas where there are grants or transfers from Trust Funds such as the Library budget. Bob Steenson spoke to some of the large increases in the budget explaining that many are related to increased cost in wages, healthcare and retirement. Also, adding to this is the Bookkeeper, Mary Hauptman, worked only five months last year and is budgeted for twelve months for 2008. Likewise, Town Administrator, Roger Becker, worked only two months for 2007 and is budgeted for twelve months in 2008. Thanks to Chief LaRoche we now have a fully manned police force. The recycling and transfer station budgets were discussed. The revenue from the recycling effort now almost completely covers the operating expenses

of the transfer station. The only other expenditures were the tipping fees. We do not foresee an increase in the price of Pay-As-You-Throw bags at this time.

A general discussion of the Fire Department budget ensued, focusing on the increase in the Reimbursement line item. The Fire Department approached the Selectmen with a proposal to convert to a Call Department and asked for \$50,000 to fund it in the first year. There is a general agreement that something needs to be done to compensate our volunteers for their efforts. The Selectmen increased the Reimbursement account from \$9,400 to \$20,000 for 2008 and have suggested that a committee be formed to study the approach best suited for Canterbury. The Committee will be charged with presenting a plan to be implemented in 2009.

Bob Scarponi asked for further clarification and was told that the committee would be providing that clarification at a later date. Reverend Mel Burrows questioned why \$2,500.00 was budgeted for voting machine programming' when only \$200 was budgeted for 2007. The answer lies in the fact that this is a Primary and Presidential election year, while last year there were only local elections. It was also explained that there is no one in Town capable of programming the voting machines, and that there are also security issues that need to be addressed when reprogramming the machines. Chris Booth raised the same issue and was given the same answer.

Ginny Litalien questioned whether we have anyone who could program the voting machine; again, the security issues pretty much limit us to our current programming source.

Steve Wearn questioned why the Town Administrator's wages and health coverages were so much higher this year. Bob Steenson explained that the Town Administrator worked only two months last year, but is budgeted for twelve (12) months for 2008. It was also pointed out that the Town would be reimbursed for part of the health insurance coverage. Seth Kohn questioned if the highway budget was high enough. Bob Steenson said the town roads are better than state roads and that the budget increase for sand and gravel and should be sufficient for this year.

Derek Jackson asked what the subcontractor fee in the police budget represented. Bob Steenson answered that it represents wages paid to officers for extra details worked, for example providing police protection at the racetrack. Selectmen Steenson explained that the hiring agencies are billed more per hour than we pay out, so the Town ultimately takes in more revenue than it pays out in wages, to help defray the administrative costs of providing the service.

B.J. Entwisle questioned the total Revenue Offsets shown on page 23. Selectmen Bob Steenson explained that the number is related to all departments. As earlier explained, it is revenue that will be used to reduce the net cost to the Town of various projects that have been shown in the budget as a gross appropriation, to meet DRA and legislative budgeting rules.

Fred Ficken questioned what was being done about the graffiti in the center of the Town. The Town has \$1,000 deductible insurance, so our insurance will cover the cost exceeding \$1,000.

Steve Wearn asked about the \$15,000.00 budget item for the audit. Our previous auditor has resigned as of January 2008. The Town sent out RFP's to about six (6) CPA firms and received responses back from only two (2). Only one of the two offered a complete audit, and the estimate for that was \$14,000.

Bob Scarponi questioned the bond council fees for the bond issues. This is for the worst case scenario estimated by our bank.

***There being no further questions the operating budget of \$2,139,023.21 was passed by a majority vote.***

THE MODERATOR, READING FROM THE 1940 TOWN REPORT, RELATED THAT THE TOWN PAID TWO INDIVIDUALS THE SUM OF \$18.50 FOR WINDING THE TOWN'S CLOCK FOR ONE YEAR.

#### **ARTICLE 6.**

*To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$79,500) for the purchase of a highway truck. Recommended by the Selectmen.*

*Motion Mike Capone, Second Leslie Keeler*

Briggs Lockwood explained the truck being replaced is a 1996 Ford Dump Truck. There are further repair expenses coming up this year; the truck is having brake problems and is plagued with rust. They plan to replace it with an F550 which is "all wheel" drive. This newer truck will be quicker and more effective as a plow as it will be smaller in size. It could be harder to get and more expensive next year.

Donna Mueller stated that we voted to buy this truck last year and questioned why we didn't buy it last year. Briggs explained we bought a truck last year and we need another one this year.

Seth Kohn said last year's truck was \$51,000.00 and questioned why this truck is much more expensive. Selectmen Lockwood explained that last year we purchased an F350 and this year we contemplate an F550, a much bigger truck.

Ruth Heath asked what happens to the old truck. Selectmen Lockwood explained the old truck has a 5 yard sander mounted in its bed. The truck can be sold but we will keep the sander. The truck may go to the White Farm surplus auction.

Jim Miller questioned the proposed \$20,000 that is going into the Highway Truck capital reserve fund on page 22 and Judy Nelson asked if the budget is approved, will the \$20,000 offset any of the truck's purchase price. Briggs Lockwood explained that the \$20,000 will be used to rebuild the capital reserve fund for future highway trucks.

Susanne Dewitt asked if the new truck will not hold the old sander will we be getting a new sander. Briggs Lockwood said, yes, it is all included in the price of the truck.

**Article 6 passed by a majority vote.**

#### ARTICLE 7.

*To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for the purpose of rebuilding the pump in engine three.*

**Recommended by the Selectmen.**

*Motion Doug Russwck, Second Patti Capone*

Derek Jackson asked if the pump was “bad” because of use or age. Chief Caswell stated that the pump is “bad” because of Canterbury water; the water is wearing the pump out. Additionally, the truck is 11 years old and has failed the pump test. The department received three (3) estimates and all three were in the vicinity of \$8,000.00 for the worst case scenario.

Priscilla Lockwood asked if we have a motion on the floor to discuss. Moderator Mann declared that we did.

Hardy Masse asked how long we plan to be keeping the truck. Bob Steenson said we are hoping another 10 plus years.

Kathy Fife asked if \$8,000 will be enough to cover the cost. Per Chief Caswell that is the top of the estimates.

**Article 7 passed by a majority vote.**

#### ARTICLE 8.

*To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for interest on Tax Anticipation Notes. Recommended by the Selectmen.*

*Motion Priscilla Lockwood, Second Laurie Lockwood*

There is the potential that we will need to borrow twice in 2008 to cover cash flow shortages. Chris Booth stated we charge interest on late taxes and doesn't that offset it. Bob Steenson says yes, but the issue is one of cash flow; the timing of available cash and the demands for payment.

**Article 8 passed by a majority vote.**

#### ARTICLE 9.

*To see if the town will modify the disabled exemption from property tax in the Town of Canterbury from \$35,000 to \$60,000 pursuant to RSA72:37-b the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years and own*



*and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In additional, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$13,400, or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$20,400 and own net assets not excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence, **Recommended by the Selectmen.***

*Motion Judy Nelson, Second Al Edelstein*

Bob Steenson stated this was an oversight from last year that needs to be corrected; this is simply a housekeeping measure so that the disabled exemption matches the elderly exemption.

Ernie Albert asked if marriage covers civil unions also. Bob Steenson replied that that is a legal question needing a response from Town Counsel. Leslie Keeler made a motion to revise the language. Bob Steenson said we can't change the language because the wording is dictated by statute.

Steve Wearn asked if all taxes could be exempted. Bob Steenson said that it is up to the Board of Selectmen, but it is also a legal issue. The Selectmen can do it case by case. Will the selectmen look into this for next year? Yes, was the answer from the Board.

*Article 9 passed by a majority vote.*

#### **ARTICLE 10.**

*Shall the town accept the provisions of RSA 202-a: 4-c providing that any town at annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to apply for, and expend without further action by the meeting unanticipated money for state federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the year? **Recommended by the Selectmen.***

*Motion Leslie Keeler, Second Ron Turcotte*

Bob Steenson explained that this is just a housekeeping issue. Peggy Bezanon questioned if they have to report the money? Yes, all money collected by the Town must be reported regardless of the source.

*Article 10 passed by a majority vote.*

**Moderator Mann closed the polls for Article 4 at 8:35**

**Moderator announced the results of Article 4 to purchase Hildreth's Field on Kimball Pond Rd. Needed 2/3 majority to pass.**

**Passed. YES: 169      NO: 55**

**ARTICLE 11.**

*Shall the town accept the provisions of RSA 202-a:4d to authorize the public library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, and such authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded in a vote at town meeting? No acceptance of any personal property under the authority of this section shall be deemed to bind the town of the library trustees to raise appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation maintenance repair or replacement of such personal property. **Recommended by the Selectmen.***

*Moved Ken Jordan, Second Patti Capone*

Fred Zeller asked if this money come with strings attached. Library Trustee Claudia Leidinger stated no.

**Article 11 passed by a majority vote.**

**ARTICLE 12.**

*To see if the town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our state representatives, our state senator and our Governor.*

*Resolved: We the citizens of Canterbury, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State representatives, Our State Senator and Our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes. By Petition.*

*Motion Patti Capone, Second Priscilla Lockwood*

Priscilla Lockwood, State Representative, stated that the Legislature is trying to start the dialogue for a new tax structure.

Christopher Booth stated he is in opposition of this article; he is also against any new taxes.

Dave Noel spoke against any new taxes, having moved here from Vermont because New Hampshire has no sales or income tax.

Bob Steenson spoke in favor as he feels all options should be on the table.

**Article 12 passed by majority vote.**

**ARTICLE 13.**

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

Jim Miller spoke about cars parking on Baptist Road during town functions creating a traffic and safety hazard. He questioned if we can make parking available at the municipal building.

Ted West explained that because of the soils and wetlands in that area, creating additional parking is not possible.

Doug Russwick asked about plowing the back field at the School. Bob Steenson said that was a school issue. Bob stated Selectmen will talk to the school board about the parking situation.

David Tirrell-Wysocki stated that something needs to be done about parking; it's not safe with everyone parking on the road. Why not park on the pavement and beside the Municipal building? Bob Steenson will discuss matter with school board.

Barbara Slayton stated that there is plenty of parking at town hall and the Library you; you can simply park there and walk up the hill.

John Leggett had important announcement — The Boy Scouts are having a ½ price sale.

Seth Kohn wanted to thank Laurie Lockwood for her help at the Treasure House and for organizing volunteers. However, they still are in need of more volunteers.

Chris Booth announced that on April 21, 2008 a meeting of the Renewable Energy Committee has been scheduled.

*A motion to dissolve the meeting was made at 8:56 p.m.*

*Motion made by Dwight Keeler and Seconded by Jack Evans.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Paula J. Harper*

*for Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*

*A true Copy attest:*

*Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*

# TOWN OF CANTERBURY LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS



## TOWN BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENT BOND

Rate of Interest	3%–6%
Amount of Original Issue	\$2,500,000
Date of Original Issue	7/17/2003
Principal payment date	August 15
Interest payment date	February 15 & August 15
Payable at:	State Street Bank & Trust CT

### MATURITIES

FYE	Principal	Interest	FYE	Principal	Interest
2004	\$120,735	6.00%	2014	\$115,000	3.00%
2005	\$115,000	4.00%	2015	\$115,000	5.00%
2006	\$115,000	4.00%	2016	\$115,000	5.00%
2007	\$115,000	4.00%	2017	\$115,000	5.00%
2008	\$115,000	4.00%	2018	\$115,000	4.75%
2009	\$115,000	5.00%	2019	\$115,000	4.75%
2010	\$115,000	5.00%	2020	\$115,000	4.75%
2011	\$115,000	5.00%	2021	\$115,000	4.75%
2012	\$115,000	5.00%	2022	\$115,000	4.00%
2013	\$115,000	5.00%	2023	\$115,000	4.00%

### GOLD STAR

Rate of Interest	4%–5%
Amount of Original Issue	\$800,000
Date of Original Issue	7/21/05
Principal payment date	August 15
Interest payment date	February 15 & August 15
Payable at:	State Street Bank & Trust CT

FYE	Principal	Interest	FYE	Principal	Interest
2006	\$39,000	4%	2016	\$40,000	5%
2007	\$40,000	5%	2018	\$40,000	4.1%
2009	\$40,000	5%	2019	\$35,000	4.125%
2010	\$40,000	5%	2020	\$35,000	4.2%

*Gold Star — cont.*

<b>FYE</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>FYE</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>
2011	\$40,000	5%	2021	\$35,000	4.25%
2012	\$40,000	5%	2022	\$35,000	4.3%
2013	\$40,000	5%	2023	\$35,000	4.375%
2014	\$40,000	5%	2024	\$35,000	4.375%
2015	\$40,000	5%	2025	\$35,000	4.5%

**HILDRETH'S FIELD**

Rate of Interest	4.5%
Amount of Original Issue	\$130,500
Date of Original Issue	5/1/2008
Principal payment date	November 15
Interest payment date	May 15 & November 15
Payable at:	Citizen's Bank

<b>FYE</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>FYE</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>
2008		4.5%	2014	13000	4.5%
2009	13500	4.5%	2015	13000	4.5%
2010	13000	4.5%	2016	13000	4.5%
2011	13000	4.5%	2017	13000	4.5%
2012	13000	4.5%	2018	13000	4.5%
2013	13000	4.5%			

# TOWN OF CANTERBURY SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY



Land.....	\$131,948,013
Residential Buildings.....	\$167,265,406
Commercial/Industrial.....	\$ 3,472,800
Public Utilities.....	\$ 5,540,600
Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D.....	\$ 28,894
Total Gross Valuation.....	\$308,255,713
Elderly Exemptions.....	\$ 960,000
Solar Exemptions.....	\$ 105,650
Blind Exemptions.....	\$ 45,000
Physically Handicapped Exemptions.....	\$ 360,050
Net Valuation on which the tax rate for Municipal County & Local Education Tax is computed.....	\$306,771,013
Less Public Utilities.....	\$ 5,540,600
Net Valuation without utilities on which tax rate for State Education tax is computed.....	<u>\$301,230,413</u>
Total Veterans Tax Credits.....	\$ 65,000
Total of Total Disability.....	\$ 1,400
Town Tax Rate.....	\$ 3.89
County Rate.....	\$ 2.42
School Tax Rate.....	\$10.68
State Education Rate.....	\$ 2.15
Current Use Land.....	\$ 1,855,503
No. of acres in Current Use.....	19,320

# SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY



Town Hall .....	266,000
Library Land and Buildings .....	271,100
Meeting House Building .....	62,600
Historical Society Schoolhouse .....	117,700
Sam Lake House .....	142,400
Municipal Safety Building and Land .....	724,800
Transfer Station Land and Buildings .....	137,600
Band Stand .....	49,200
Elkins Historical Building .....	164,000

Map	Lot	Street	Acres	Assessed Value
101	8	OLD GILMANTON ROAD	0.25	25,000
101	9	OLD GILMANTON ROAD	0.28	25,100
101	10	OLD GILMANTON ROAD	0.25	25,000
101	19	NOTTINGHAM ROAD	0.52	6,000
101	25	NOTTINGHAM ROAD	0.25	25,000
101	36	CANTERBURY SHORE DR	0.52	6,000
101	62	BLUE BOAR LANE	0.25	48,800
101	76	SHAKER ROAD	0.25	25,000
102	8	BLUE BOAR LANE	0.25	25,000
102	16	FLOWAGE/DAM RIGHTS		
102	17	CANTERBURY SHORE DR	0.25	75,000
102	37	CANTERBURY SHORE DR	0.25	60,000
102	43	ISLAND NEW POND	0.29	37,700
102	52	CANTERBURY SHORE DR	0.25	22,500
102	81	CANTERBURY SHORE DR	0.25	27,500
102	103	FRIAR TUCK ROAD	0.25	25,000
102	107	FRIAR TUCK ROAD	0.25	25,000
102	109	FRIAR TUCK ROAD	0.25	25,000
102	111	FRIAR TUCK ROAD	0.25	25,000
102	118	ROBIN SHORE DRIVE	0.25	18,800
102	120	ROBIN SHORE DRIVE	0.25	18,800
102	150	ISLAND LYFORD POND	0.41	38,100
107	24	KIMBALL POND ROAD	3.11	41,400
107	25	KIMBALL POND ROAD	15.09	138,400
107	26	KIMBALL POND ROAD	33.99	174,200
203	8	SNOWSHOE HILL ROAD	7	24,600
203	9	SNOWSHOE HILL ROAD	9	30,600

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203	16	MOUNTAIN ROAD	2.3	9,200
203	17	MOUNTAIN ROAD	2.5	10,000
203	19	MOUNTAIN ROAD	5.25	21,000
203	20	MOUNTAIN ROAD	4	16,000
203	22	SUMMIT ROAD	43	92,900
203	23	MOUNTAIN ROAD	5.4	21,600
203	24	HARMONY LANE	3	12,000
203	29	HARMONY LANE	6.25	78,700
205	5	MISERY ROAD	17	143,000
208	9	BAPTIST HILL ROAD	1.5	38,100
209	4	SHAKER ROAD	0.15	22,900
210	9	MOUNTAIN ROAD	4	16,000
211	6	ROUTE 106	0.69	2,800
218	4	INTERVALE ROAD	12	38,900
218	5	NORTHFIELD TOWN LINE	0.14	600
219	9	INTERVALE ROAD	0.27	1,100
222	3	BOROUGH ROAD	28	71,700
223	13	BRIAR BUSH ROAD	19.5	268,300
233	12	RUM BROOK ROAD	6.6	50,800
234	14	OFF INTERVALE ROAD	51	195,000
236	3	INTERVALE ROAD	6.35	185,300
237	19	BIG MEADOW	10	33,200
238	3	NORTH WEST ROAD	8	27,500
238	4	NORTH WEST ROAD	11.74	38,000
240	7	ABBOTT ROAD	33	79,200
241	23	BAPTIST HILL ROAD	6.2	113,500
241	31	BAPTIST ROAD	9.8	119,600
245	4	BAPTIST ROAD	20	56,800
245	5	BAPTIST ROAD	20	56,800
245	7	BAPTIST ROAD	22	60,700
245	8	BAPTIST ROAD	10	33,200
245	9	BAPTIST ROAD	20.5	58,200
245	10	SPENCER MEADOW	13.4	42,300
245	11	BAPTIST ROAD	75	150,000
246	13	BAPTIST ROAD	3.5	55,000
249	16	HALL ROAD	2.5	56,000
249	18	HALL ROAD	44	141,200
250	1	INTERVALE ROAD	8.2	42,000
250	2	WEST ROAD	153	139,700
252	33	KIMBALL POND ROAD	19.05	147,000



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<b>Map</b>	<b>Lot</b>	<b>Street</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Assessed Value</b>
253	42	KIMBALL POND ROAD	22.2	153,500
254	1	SPENCER MEADOW	7.54	117,800
254	3	SPENCER MEADOW	8.6	29,200
255	14	WHITNEY HILL ROAD	15	138,100
257	8	WHITNEY HILL ROAD	18	53,300
258	27	OLD SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD	0.25	50,000
261	1	WEST ROAD	134.6	128,500
261	3	WEST ROAD	5.4	175,100
263	17	OPEN SPACE	0.52	33,300
263	21	OPEN SPACE	3.26	54,000
263	26	OPEN SPACE	0.46	30,900
263	31	OPEN SPACE	14.08	85,800
263	35	OPEN SPACE	0.94	44,400
263	40	OPEN SPACE	4.24	58,000
263	43	OPEN SPACE	0.63	37,700
263	44	OPEN SPACE	0.62	37,300
267	31	OLD BOYCE ROAD	0.17	66,500
267	51	SHOESTRING ROAD	68.74	293,000

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK — 2008



<b>MOTOR VEHICLE</b>	<b>COUNT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Certified Copy Fee	10	\$ 100.00
Decal Replacement Fee	10	\$ 10.00
Plate	150	\$ 1,084.00
Registration Fee	1116	\$ 50,098.09
Title Fee	75	\$ 1,875.00
Transfer Fee	54	\$ 540.00
Vanity Fee	156	\$ 3,900.00
Motor Vehicle Registration	3600	\$ 409,396.94
Motor Vehicle By Mail	545	\$ 545.00
Title Application Fee	497	\$ 994.00
Void — Credit Issued	6	\$ 289.80
Voids	7	\$ 209.60
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>6226</b>	<b>\$ 469,042.43</b>

## **DOG LICENSES**

Dog License Fee	271	\$ 1,089.00
Dog Transfer Fee	1	\$ 1.50
Dog Late Fees	55	\$ 196.00
Dog Overpopulation Fee	230	\$ 460.00
Dog State License Fee	266	\$ 133.00
Dog Replacement Tag Fee	2	\$ 3.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>\$ 1,882.50</b>

## **TOWN CLERK SERVICES**

Dredge and Fill Application	2	\$ 20.00
Miscellaneous Fee	41	\$ 548.38
Motor Vehicle By Mail — First Copy	29	\$ 29.00
Motor Vehicle By Mail — Add'l Copy	29	\$ 29.00
Filing Fees	4	\$ 4.00
Vital Statistics — State — Add'l Copy	24	\$ 120.00
Vital Statistics — Town — Add'l Copy	24	\$ 72.00
Vital Statistics — State First Copy	21	\$ 168.00
Vital Statistics — Town — First Copy	21	\$ 84.00
Town Marriage License Acct — State	1	\$ 38.00
Town Marriage License Acct — Town	1	\$ 7.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>\$ 119.38</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>7248</b>	<b>\$ 472,044.31</b>

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

*Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER — 2008



Beginning Balance as of 01/01/08.....	<b>1,353,077.30</b>
Tax Collector.....	5,995,859.38
Town Clerk .....	382,503.71
State of New Hampshire .....	95,625.87
Income from Departments .....	83,865.59
Library Offset — Trust Funds .....	16,000.00
Gold Star Rent.....	77,887.00
Transfers from Capital Reserves .....	39,400.00
Hildreth Field Contribution .....	5,200.00
Interest on Investments.....	4,555.06
Insurance Claims .....	10,275.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b><u>8,064,248.91</u></b>

Selectmen's Orders Paid .....	2,181,482.34
Capital Reserve.....	152,000.00
School Tax .....	3,758,663.00
County Tax.....	744,874.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....</b>	<b><u>6,837,019.34</u></b>

**GENERAL FUND BALANCE ON HAND .....** **1,227,219.57**

**NH PUBLIC INVESTMENT POOL**

General Fund.....	52,910.33
Conservation Commission Fund .....	17,870.48
Patriotic Purposes .....	513.48
<b>TOTAL NHDPID FUNDS .....</b>	<b><u>71,294.29</u></b>

**CITIZEN'S INVESTMENT .....** **2,915.50**

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT



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

Summary of Tax Warrants

For the Year Ending December 31, 2008

	2008	2007	2006	PRIOR LEVIES 2005+
<b>Uncollected Taxes — Beginning of Year:</b>				
Property Taxes #3110		503,861.39	63.51	
Land Use Taxes #3120				
Timber Yield Taxes #3185		14,060.48		
Prior Years Credits Balance**	-14,813.55			
This Years' New Credits	-17,387.38			
<b>Taxes Committed This Fiscal Year</b>				
Property Taxes #3110	5,798,483.00			
Land Use Change Taxes #3120	202.00			
Timber Yield Taxes #3185	9,263.52			
<b>Overpayments</b>				
Credits Refunded	3,070.82			
Interest-Late Tax #3190	4,196.27	23,897.25	61.08	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$5,783,014.68</b>	<b>\$541,819.12</b>	<b>\$124.59</b>	

	2008	2007	2006	PRIOR LEVIES 2005+
<b>Remitted To Treasurer</b>				
Property Taxes	5,282,867.56	345,630.43		
Land Use Change Taxes	202.00			
Timber Yield Taxes	6,587.00	13,090.83		
Interest & Penalties	4,196.27	23,897.25	61.08	
Converted to Liens (Principal Only)		151,941.89	63.51	
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	-11,999.36			
<b>Abatements Made</b>				
Property Taxes	2,254.28	5,012.07		
Land Use Change Taxes				
Timber Yield Taxes	447.94	969.65		
<b>Uncollected Taxes — End of Year #1080</b>				
Property Taxes	513,361.16	1,277.00		
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	—		
Timber Yield Taxes	2,228.58			
Property Tax Credit Balance	-17,130.75			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$5,783,014.68</b>	<b>\$541,819.12</b>	<b>\$124.59</b>	

**Summary of Tax Lien Accounts**  
*For the Year Ending December 31, 2008*

	2008	2007	2006	2005+
<b>DEBITS</b>				
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY			\$ 6,144.31	\$ 58,737.79
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 164,136.30			
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY	\$ 3,640.00		\$ 3,937.00	\$ 1,422.90
Elderly Liens Executed During FY				\$ 12,715.95
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 2,718.76		\$ 8,122.07	\$ 21,626.32
<b>TOTAL LIEN DEBITS</b>	<b>\$170,495.06</b>		<b>\$108,203.38</b>	<b>\$94,502.96</b>
<b>TOTAL LIEN DEBITS</b>				
<b>CREDITS</b>				
Redemptions		\$ 44,158.47	\$ 42,154.99	\$ 46,533.13
Interest & Costs Collected #3190		\$ 2,718.76	\$ 8,122.07	\$ 21,626.32
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 1,085.44	\$ 243.19	\$ 1,422.90
Liens Decded to Municipality		\$ 118,892.39	\$ 53,746.13	\$ 10,781.76
Unredeemed Liens End of FY #1110		\$ 3,640.00	\$ 3,937.00	\$ 14,138.85
<b>TOTAL LIEN CREDITS</b>		<b>\$170,495.06</b>	<b>\$108,203.38</b>	<b>\$94,502.96</b>

Report of the Trust Funds, Summary of Principal, Income and Investments for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 2008

Name and Purpose	How Invested * Account #	Balance at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Principal		Balance at End of Year	Income		Balance at End of Year	Total Principal & Income	
				Capital Gains (Losses)	Withdrawals		Income	Expense			
<b>Nonexpendable Trusts:</b>											
Benjamin Whidd-	0564-0006	200.00				200.00		42.13	6.50	48.63	248.63
Lucia Elkins - Lil	0564-0007	4,000.00				4,000.00		869.24	119.56	988.80	4,988.80
Lucia Elkins - Ol	0564-0008	1,000.00				1,000.00		216.98	30.15	247.13	1,247.13
Frank Drew - Lib	0564-0009	3,000.00				3,000.00		651.59	89.93	741.52	3,741.52
Arthur & Mary Iv	0564-0010	424.00				424.00		93.06	12.63	105.69	529.69
Perpetual Care - I	0564-0017	31,975.00				31,975.00		6,245.47	939.56	5,685.03	37,660.03
Cemetery Improv	0564-0016	10,025.00				10,025.00		3,123.89	372.46	3,496.35	15,521.35
Lucia Elkins - S6	0564-0011	6,987.00				6,987.00		410.84	181.84	592.68	7,579.68
John Kezar - Sch	0564-0012	3,702.10				3,702.10		803.80	110.72	914.52	4,616.62
Thompson Memc	0564-0015	500.00				500.00		1,507.09	49.34	1,556.43	2,056.43
Benevolent Fund	0564-0013	700.00				700.00		2,576.02	80.27	2,656.29	3,356.29
Canterbury Yout	0564-0014	751.00				751.00		2,573.61	81.86	2,655.47	3,406.47
		63,264.10				63,264.10		21,113.70	2,074.82	1,500.00	84,952.62
<b>Expendable Trusts:</b>											
<b>Capital Reserve Funds</b>											
Highway Equipr	0564-0003	7,000.00	4,000.00			11,000.00		2,246.19	223.63	2,469.82	13,469.82
Highway Trucks	0564-0004	4,000.00	20,000.00			24,000.00		2,907.68	166.01	3,073.69	27,073.69
Revaluation	0564-0021	62,083.00	30,000.00			92,083.00		6,812.33	1,665.41	8,477.74	100,560.74
Transfer Station	0564-0022							5,628.80	138.29	5,767.09	
Road Grader	0564-0005	26,000.00	4,000.00			30,000.00		2,691.35	701.51	3,392.86	33,392.86
Rescue Equipmtn	0564-0018	13,000.00	4,000.00			17,000.00		4,774.35	433.21	5,207.56	22,207.56
Fire Equipment	0564-0019	36,000.00	30,000.00			66,000.00		4,777.41	998.65	5,776.06	71,776.06
Conservation	0564-0020	60,000.00	20,000.00			25,000.00		8,853.24	867.44	6,720.68	31,720.68
Landfill Closure	0564-0024	94,140.88	20,000.00			114,140.88		8,976.82	2,516.13	11,492.95	125,633.83
Building Maintnc	0564-0027	5,500.00	10,000.00		55,000.00	15,500.00			130.14	130.14	15,630.14
Bridge Renovatc	0564-0025	21,200.00				21,200.00		1,548.19	554.24	2,102.43	23,302.43
Industrial Park	0564-0026	2,648.73	10,000.00			12,648.73		992.47	89.61	1,082.08	13,730.81
		331,572.61	152,000.00		55,000.00	428,572.61		47,208.83	8,484.27	55,693.10	484,265.71
<b>Totals</b>		394,836.71	152,000.00		55,000.00	491,836.71		68,322.53	10,559.09	1,500.00	569,218.33

\* How Invested: All funds are invested with the NH Public Deposit Investment Pool of MBIA Municipal Investors Service Corp. or in transit from Town of Canterbury general funds.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN



2008 was in many ways a record setting year for the Town of Canterbury. Record snowfalls, record elections; record energy costs, a record budget, a record ice storm and nationally a record economic meltdown all had and will continue to have significant impact on our town government and its citizens.

The winter months of 2008 set a record for storms and snowfall accumulations. Phil Stone, Jim Sawicki, David Heath, John O'Connor and Jason Barry toiled long days and nights plowing the roads and spent the few days that it didn't snow repairing overworked equipment. We thank them for their dedication to keeping our roads open and safe.

The unprecedented duration and intensity of the Presidential primary and general elections brought record numbers of new voter registrations and record voter turnout. Supervisors of the Checklist Mary Kerwin, Brenda Murray and Mary Ann Winograd, Town Clerk Cheryl Gordon, Assistant Town Clerk Paula Harper, Moderator Wayne Mann and all of our election day and election night volunteers worked hard to ensure a smooth and accurate electoral process.

The Board is pleased to report that all functions of town government and financial administration continued to improve under the watchful eye of Roger Becker in his first full year of service as Town Administrator. The goals outlined in last years report to improve bookkeeping and internal financial controls were met. A new purchase order policy was implemented, expenditure analysis was vastly improved and financial audit results from our new auditors were strong. We thank Roger, Jan Stout, Mary Hauptmann, Ben Bynum as well as Cheryl Gordon and Paula Harper not only for their hard work and excellent results but also for making Canterbury's government pleasant to deal with, responsive and respectful.

The record run-up in fuel prices and heating costs affected all town departments in 2008 as we simply did not budget for \$5 per gallon diesel, \$4 per gallon gasoline and \$3 per gallon propane. We thank the department heads for working closely with Roger and the Board to adjust spending and we acknowledge a job well done. Despite the energy costs, Chief LaRoche, Chief Angwin and Road Agent Stone *under spent* their budgets by \$6110, \$8844 and \$30,379 respectively!

The Police and Fire Departments each surpassed calls-for-service milestones in 2008 with the Fire Department logging a record 326 calls. The Board welcomed Pete Angwin as Fire Chief upon Dale Caswell's well-deserved retirement. We must all express our appreciation to this dwindling company of volunteers for their dedication to the safety and well being of the citizens of Canterbury.



The Police Department in John LaRoche's first full year as Chief responded to more calls and relied less on the State Police than ever before and significantly improved coverage on nights and weekends. We thank Chief LaRoche, Sgt. Beaulieu and the officers for their professionalism and the cheerful demeanor that they bring to their work.

The Board recognizes and is deeply grateful for the extraordinary efforts of the Fire Department Advisory Committee: Chair Ellen Bassett; Catherine Newick; Meg Miller; Ruth Mann; Bob Scarponi; Craig Briggs, Roger Becker; Ken Folsom and Pete Angwin. They spent hundreds of hours reviewing reams of data, researching the history and activity of our fire department, interviewing other towns' fire departments, consulting experts at the Local Government Center and completed a masterful analysis of Canterbury's fire and rescue needs and developed thorough, thoughtful and economical recommendations for the Town to consider.

The Town budget also surpassed a milestone in 2008, setting a record as the operating budget exceeded \$2,000,000 for the first time. The Board is certain that this sum seems inconceivable to many residents, especially those who remember operating budgets less than \$50,000! Unfortunately we see no end to the growth in local budgets and local property taxes as long as the current economic conditions prevail, the State continues to shift costs to the County and the current revenue structure remains in place. The Board is mindful that the property tax burden falls disproportionately on the economically disadvantaged, those suffering a healthcare or other crisis or simply living on a fixed income. Our challenge as a Board and a community is to balance the very real need to minimize this burden on the most vulnerable of our citizens against equally compelling requirements to provide safe roads and bridges, police, fire, emergency medical services and education for our children.

Finally the recent December ice storm once again showcased the Canterbury citizenry at their best as neighbors reached out to those in need, families shared generators, meals and all-important hot water with those without power. It is this spirit that continues to define Canterbury and will help us all as we work to meet the challenges ahead.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Bob Steenson*  
*Briggs Lockwood*  
*Ken Folsom*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



I would like to begin with thanking all the members that volunteer to serve on the fire department and their wives and children who give up quality time with their mom, dad, sister or brother. As Chief, I know all too well how many hours are spent trying to keep all safe and out of harms way. It is the Chief's job to see that the citizens of Canterbury are protected to the best of our ability. The demand on our volunteers is at a critical state, the call volume has overcome us as volunteers. In April or May of this year I informed the selectmen that we could no longer protect the citizens of Canterbury with the increase of calls and decrease of volunteers. Something had to be done as soon as possible. The Officers of the department has come up with a plan to a paid by call, along with reimbursement, but after discussions with the selectmen they decided we should have a committee to gather more data similar to the way they did for the Town Administrator. So a committee was formed by the Selectmen and many meetings and discussions took place as well as public meetings. What came out of all of this is we needed to start building a paid department to handle all of our emergency needs.

The call rate has steadily increased from around the mid 70's to present and has put a huge strain on the volunteers. You may be hearing this for the first time in any case please try to talk with a fire department member before the town meeting so you may be better informed as to why and what we are asking for. Over the years all the fire departments all over the country have tried to give their respective towns free emergency fire and medical service. But it appears the day of the volunteer firefighter is about over, and we need to look at fully funding the fire service, in the same way that we fund our Police, Highway and solid Waste Departments and the Town Administrator. The Fire Department realizes that this is a year when times are difficult and it is very important how we spend our tax dollars. I can't think of a better use of my tax dollars that for the protection and peace of mind that someone from Canterbury Fire will be there to help me if ever I should need them.

We are a community that prides itself on being a rural town with no industry or big business, but it does come with a price as we all know. Everyone has emergencies in life and we need someone to call, here it is our Fire Department because they offer trained Fire and Emergency personnel who can respond to your emergency quickly.

When I took over as Chief, I knew we had to take the Department in a new direction that meant more Emergency Medical service and more manpower to handle the increased call volume. We have increased our training load to include a higher standard of care by or EMT's. Seven of our emergency medical techni-

cians have just completed their "I" class which was an 80 hour course. This will give the town's people a much better level of care and is a huge boost to the department's medical team. We also had one firefighter complete Firefighter I certification at the Fire Academy and one who completed firefighter II. But, we did suffer a temporary loss of one of our Firefighters EMT to an auto accident responding to a call in town. We all hope he has a speedy recovery. All these changes create more work load and duties to perform by the administration which is already stretched too thin.

Your Fire Department responded to 326 calls this year, that's a 13.2% increase over last year. We fight all types of fires, house fires, car fires, chimney fires, brush fires, forest fires and respond to all types of medical calls, car accidents and natural disasters. We are always looking for people who want to serve.

*In Fire Safety,  
Chief Peter Angwin  
Canterbury Fire Department*

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## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY BUILDING INSPECTOR**



During the calendar year 2008, 24 permits were issued. Four were new residential, 3 were commercial. The remainder included accessory buildings, additions, and remodeling projects. These numbers are down considerably from last year.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Snyder*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT



2008 was a busy year for your police department. We had an increase in arrests and general calls for service over 2007. The statistics for the year are shown below. I thought that I could take this opportunity to explain the terms used in the chart. If I offend anybody by assuming that you would be interested in the explanation then I apologize ahead of time. With that being said an accident refers to a motor vehicle accident both those requiring a report to be sent to the DMV and those not requiring such notification. An arrest is what you probably think it is. It means a full custodial arrest requiring a booking and bailing. Calls for service are what we refer to when we deal with just about everything.

For example if you call us about a suspicious vehicle, that is a call for service, if we serve a subpoena to someone that is also a call for service. A call for service is also generated as a first step to an incident or an arrest or an accident. Citations refer both to motor vehicle warnings and summonses. Generally speaking the department writes more warnings than summonses. A field interview is generated when we have contact with someone that may be of some interest but that the contact did not rise to the level of a call for service or incident. An incident is some action that will require some follow up whether it leads to an arrest or not. For example we receive a call of a noise complaint (Call for Service), we speak with the complainant and learn that his neighbors have been fighting so we make contact with the neighbors. We discover that one of the neighbors was assaulted it has become an incident after further discussion we determine one of the subjects was what we call the primary aggressor and was arrested. Property means that property stolen, recovered, damaged or taken into custody. Lastly there were 3 arrest warrants issued by this department in 2008. I am unable to show stats from 2007 because we now use a different data collection system and track some items differently.

At any rate due to the increase in business, an increase that I believe will continue through 2009, I am trying to fund the third full time position that exists in the department structure. This position will replace one of the four part-time positions that the department has. Effectively you will have (3) full time officers and (3) part-time officers. The extra officer will allow me to more evenly cover the town for the hours that I believe the citizenry wants covered. As always I want you to remember that we are your department and can be reached, for any reason, at 228-1010 or 783-0433.

**Statistics by Date — 01/01/2008 to 12/31/2008**

Accidents	24
Arrest	30
Calls for Service	932
Citations	443
Field Interviews	87
Incidents	97
Property	50
Warrants	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,666</b>

*Submitted by John La Roche  
Chief of Police  
Canterbury Police Department*

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## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION**



The Canterbury Conservation Commission would like to thank the Town of Canterbury for the affirmative vote to purchase the land known as Hildreth Field at the 2008 Town Meeting. The acquisition provides an extended scenic vista along Kimball Pond Road, reinforcing and supporting Canterbury's rural character. This newly acquired land, combined with the existing Kimball Pond Conservation Area, provides over 90 acres of wildlife habitat and surface water protection, and a variety of year round recreational opportunities — all within walking distance of the center of town. An anonymous donation of \$5,000 towards the purchase of Hildreth Field was given in appreciation of Ben Ladd and Melanie Stevens. The Commission has also received an anonymous \$5,000 donation toward future purchase of additional Merrimack River frontage. The good will and unexpected monetary support for conservation efforts from the community has helped make conservation on a local level possible.

In an effort to reach out to more people in our Town, the Conservation Commission sponsored two well attended and enjoyable events: the Fiddler's Picnic and a workshop of Manure Management sponsored by the Northeast Recycling Council.

*Thank you for your continued support.  
Jennifer Taylor, Chair  
Canterbury Conservation Commission*

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT



Case #	Applicant	Appeal	Decision
2008-1	Concord Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends	Special Exception	Granted
2008-2	Barlo Signs for NHMS	Special Exception	Granted
2008-3	Karen Withrow	Special Exception	Granted
2008-4	Barlo Signs for NHMS	Special Exception	Granted
2008-5	James & Carol Ashworth	Special Exception	Granted
2008-6	Duncan D. McCallum	Special Exception	Granted
2008-7	Robin Preve & Anthony Abbott	Use/Area Variance	Granted
2008-8	Kiersten Scarponi	Special Exception	Granted
2008-9	Gary Miller	Variance	No Decision
2008-10	D. Laine Johnson	Special Exception	Granted

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Carlson*

## PLANNING BOARD REPORT



Last year's election resulted in Brian Kilrain and Don Burgess being elected to the board for one-year terms

Chris Blair (2010), Christopher Evans (2011), Ken Stern (2009), and Kent Ruesswick (2009) were appointed as alternates. During the year Fred Norton (2010) resigned and Christopher Evans was elected to fill the remainder of the year

This year saw a decrease in the number of public hearings to come before the Board:

4 Site Plan Review hearing

6 Subdivision hearings resulting in the creation of 8 new lots.

This year we have continued the process of revising and updating the Master Plan. The purpose of a Master Plan is to provide an opportunity for the community to look ahead, establish new visions and directions,

set goals, and map out plans for the future. This process is building on work done by past Planning Boards going back decades and is being driven by a committee made up of Planning Board members and volunteers from the community. Input has been sought from others through a survey and a public session.

We are once again fortunate to be thanking Nancy Lilly for another year (her fourteenth!) of service to the Town as Planning Board secretary.

As always there are challenges on the horizon. The Board will be looking for new alternates to serve in the coming years. It's a great way to be involved in shaping the future of your town.

*Respectfully submitted*  
*Jim Snyder, Chairman*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY RECYCLING COMMITTEE



Prior to the collapse of global commodity prices the recycling equation was quite simple. You could make money by selling paper, aluminum, plastic, and steel cans or you could spend money by shipping them to landfills or incinerators. Now it has become a choice between spending a little bit to send those materials to recyclers, or spending more to ship them to a landfill or an incinerator. It's still to your economic advantage to recycle, but now your choice is between a smaller expense and a bigger expense rather than between income and an expense.

This has implications for the budget. Instead of having recyclable materials offset the transfer station expenses, they will now add to them. At some point the equation will revert back but no one knows when that will be. Probably bag prices will have to increase to compensate for the loss of revenue.

Will an increased bag price lead to more people dropping out of the PAYT program and getting their own private dumpsters? From a budget standpoint it probably doesn't matter. When Bestway brings garbage from Canterbury dumpsters to the incinerator, the town charges them back for the tonnage plus adds a surcharge. From a financial standpoint the town would be better off if everyone got a private dumpster and we could scale back the transfer station to minimal hours and staff.

The Recycling Committee, however, is more concerned with the environmental aspects of recycling than with the financial aspects. With this in mind, we will be using the bulk of the money raised at the Dance at the Dump to fund a Recycling Appreciation Day on April 18. The first 350 people bringing in a bin of recyclables on that day can enter their name into a drawing from which 7 lucky winners will each be awarded \$50. Everyone participating in the annual road side clean up on that same day can enter their name as well, as can those who attend the Earth Day talk at the Town Hall April 19 at 4:00 P.M. where Don Maurer will discuss landfills, recycling, and single stream and will answer all of your recycling questions.



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



2008 was a year of consolidation for the Society. The many initiatives and projects previously undertaken were the focus of efforts to make them sustainable on an ongoing basis. We extend our sincere appreciation for the time, effort and commitment volunteers have given to help us achieve our goal of “*preserving Canterbury’s heritage and sense of community.*”

The Houser One Room Schoolhouse served as host to all the elementary school children in grades 1–5. Our focus this year was W.W. II. Mark Stevens conducted a special study of the war years in Canterbury, highlighted by the visit of 6 Canterbury World War II Veterans who visited the classroom. Our teaching staff was made up of Dale Caswell, Anne Emerson, Kitty Rogers, Karen Gingrich, Ann Theroux, Jan Briggs and Kathy Southwick, with support from Joan Leggett and the elementary school staff, particularly Principal Mary Morrison. We thank you all for helping to make this a model program!

We held our first exhibition in the Elkins Memorial Building entitled, “Funerals and Burial Customs” focusing on practices in the 19th and 20th century. Joan Leggett and Elaine DiStefano coordinated and mounted the show with great help from Michael Bourque of the Wendell Butt Funeral Home, for which we thank you.

Our Archive Project continues to gain momentum with the purchase of museum software. We are fortunate to have the support and guidance of Curator Tom Johnson and Archivist Rene Fox of Canterbury Shaker Village, who have been most generous with their time and expertise. We are working to digitize reference information for much of the Permanent Collection housed in our Archives and will continue to report to you on our progress.

This year we achieved the designation of a 501(c)(3) corporation by the IRS making it possible to accept tax deductible contributions.

We would like to thank our outgoing board members for their work on behalf of the Society. They are Jane Balshaw, Judy Kupperman, Mason Newick, and Jessie Tichko.

We welcome you to become involved as a docent, archive volunteer, exhibition worker, general helper, or contributor.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Bob Scarponi, President*

*Sandy Scripture, Vice-president*

*Gordon Jackson, Treasurer*

*Pam Jackson, Recording Secretary*

*Flo Woods, Corresponding Secretary*

*David Balshaw*

*Bob Buchholz*

*Anne Emerson*

*Jan Cote*

*Diane Modugno*

*Brian Titilah*

## UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE



The Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) and other Local River Management Advisory Committees (LRMAC) were recognized this year with two awards. The first was the President's Volunteer Service Award gold level for organizations that have donated in excess of 1,000 hours. Each UMRLAC representative received a lapel pin. The UMRLAC received a certificate at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's awards ceremony in April. The UMRLAC and the other LRMAC were recognized with a "Volunteer NH! Service" awards at a November ceremony in Concord. The awards were presented by Senator-elect and former New Hampshire Governor, Jeanne Shaheen. The UMRLAC thanks Steve Couture of the NH Department of Environmental Services Rivers Management and Protection Program for nominating the LMRACs for these two awards.

The Rivers Management and Protection Program celebrated its twentieth anniversary with a commemorative poster. The poster features the upper Merrimack from the Route 4 bridge at the Boscawen/Canterbury/Concord line with a photograph taken by Steve Landry, Boscawen UMRLAC Representative.

The UMRLAC began implementing the *Upper Merrimack Management and Implementation Plan* with assistance from the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission. The Commission worked with the UMRLAC to write a successful funding proposal to implement the buffers objective. The Plan can be downloaded and printed in a PDF format or viewed online as an interactive web-enabled version from the redesigned UMRLAC web site at [www.merri-mackriver.org](http://www.merri-mackriver.org).

This year the UMRLAC begins its thirteenth year of the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP). The UMMP owes much of its success to strong municipal support and that from its Adopt-a-River Site Sponsors. The Program's Adopt-a-River Site Sponsors include Aquarian Analytical Laboratories, Inc.; Aries Engineering, Inc.; Checkmate Expert Payroll Services; Elektrisola; Franklin Savings Bank; Franklin Wastewater Treatment Facility; Public Service of NH (both Corporate and Merrimack Station); and Watts Regulator/Webster Valve. The UMRLAC also thanks the Conservation Commissions and Towns and Cities of Boscawen, Bow, Canterbury, Concord, Franklin, and Northfield for their ongoing support. The support of these towns, cities, and Adopt-a-River Site sponsors made possible equipment and supply purchases as well as maintenance to protect existing investments such as the UMMP's stereoscopes. Special thanks go to St. Paul's School for graciously hosting UMRLAC's "Bug Nights" educational and research program, which continues its popularity in the region with dozens of individuals volunteering their collection and identification services.

The UMRLAC contracted with EcoAnalysts, Inc. to provide a data analysis and recommendations report related to the data collected in the Bug Nights program. This analysis will help guide the UMRLAC in its planning efforts for the next decade. The UMRLAC continued to review and provide comment on proj-

ect plans and proposals including the FERC relicensing for hydroelectric facilities on the Merrimack River, site specific and wetlands applications in the upper Merrimack six municipalities, state surplus land disposal, and a proposed landfill expansion. The UMLAC also provided comments on several NH Department of Transportation proposals and pre-application process.

The UMLAC elected the following slate of officers in November: Michele Tremblay, Chair; Steve Landry, Vice-Chair, Krista Crowell, Treasurer; and Gary Lynn, Secretary. The UMLAC is pleased to welcome Brian Sullivan of Franklin as the newest “UMLACer.”

The UMLAC hosted several informational and educational presentations from experts on issues including legislation, invasive species, climate change adaptation, and the NH Natural Heritage Bureau. During the summer, the UMLAC hosted a public workshop in Canterbury on the revised Comprehensive Shoreland Protect Act. Several UMLAC representatives participated in the annual Watershed Conference in November. Michele Tremblay presented a social marketing workshop.

Established in 1990, the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMLAC) has represented its six communities of Boscawen, Bow, Canterbury, Concord, Franklin, and Northfield in a variety of studies and planning activities related to the upper Merrimack River and its watershed. It serves as the area’s advisory board on its designation in the NH Rivers Management and Protection program.

It’s been nearly two decades since the UMLAC met for the first time. Representatives have begun planning for a twentieth anniversary celebration during 2010. To learn more or to be part of the fun, please contact the UMLAC or watch for updates on the UMLAC web site at [www.merrimackriver.org](http://www.merrimackriver.org).

Please visit UMLAC’s redesigned website for further information on the river, committee membership, activities, summaries from prior meetings, upcoming meeting agendas, maps, water quality data, and photographs of brave and selfless volunteers in action. The UMLAC meets on a rotating basis in its six represented communities on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. Many thanks to the Towns and Cities of Boscawen, Bow, Canterbury, Concord, Franklin, and Northfield for graciously hosting Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee meetings. An informational “Around the Watershed” session is conducted at each meeting. All are welcome to attend. For additional information, please contact Michele Tremblay at 603.796.2615, [www.merrimackriver.org](http://www.merrimackriver.org), or any of your municipal representatives listed below.

**BOSCAWEN**

Stephen C. Landry  
Michele L. Tremblay

**CANTERBURY**

Anne Emerson  
Nancy Roy

**BOW**

Krista Crowell  
Gary Lynn

**FRANKLIN**

Tucker Noack  
Brian Sullivan

**CONCORD**

Alan Bartlett  
Rick Chormann  
Robert Wyatt

**NORTHFIELD**

Harry Anderson  
William Dawson

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ELKINS LIBRARY



The third full year in the new Elkins Library was as successful as the first two. Circulation was up and new patrons were added. The number of interlibrary loans reached an all time high of over 900 books. A downloadable audio book service was added through the State Library and the Gates Foundation. Internet usage, both for the library's computers and wireless access, increased as well.

Our summer reading program, "A G-Day for Reading" involved over 200 children in reading activities, crafts and a musical performance. At the kick off event Joe Carringer played the didgeridoo for 71 guests. At the Wildlife Encounter with Down Under Animals, 178 children and their parents got to see all sorts of Australian mammals and reptiles.

A wide variety of programs were available for adults as well. *Black Elk Speaks* was discussed during a Humanities book talk. Other Humanities programs included "Ruth Law Aviator," "Listening for Form in Jazz" and "I Doctored Myself as well As I Could." Talks were also presented on gardening at the Fells and antique buttons. Trick or treaters came to the library during the Center Halloween celebration and over 200 guests visited during our holiday open house. Knitters gathered around the fireplace on cold winter nights. The book discussion group met monthly.

Passes to the Planetarium, Shaker Village, The Fells, Strawberry Banke, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, and the newly reopened Currier Museum continued to be available to our patrons to allow them to visit for free or at a reduced rate. The brick memory garden has had donations for several more bricks and has still has room for anyone wishing to dedicate a brick to a loved one.

More staffing hours have allowed the library to deal with the increased activity and patronage over the past year. We were sorry to lose Amy Covell as a library employee but have added Mark Hampton and Rachel Baker to our staff. Katie Dunn is stepping down as a Trustee this year. We will miss her.

*Claudia Leidinger,  
Chairperson Elkins Library Trustees*

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT****JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008**

<b>Total Circulation of Materials:</b>	<b>22,775</b>
Adult Fiction	4,838
Adult Non-Fiction	1,426
Youth Fiction	6,045
Youth Non-Fiction	1,067
Audio Cassettes	367
Video Cassettes	1,218
Magazines	739
CD's	1,570
DVD's	4,574
Inter-Library Loans	931

**Materials Purchased**

Adult Fiction	157
Adult Non-Fiction	54
Youth Fiction	114
Young Adult	42
Youth Non-Fiction	56
Books on CD	27
DVD's	78
Donations (Books, Audios, CDs & DVDs)	257

The library continues to be active with the number of patron visits totaling 15, 778 for the year. Circulation of materials, Internet usage, patronage and programming all increased. Library events included 70 programs for adults and children such as story hour, summer reading, book discussion group, Wednesday Night Knitting and other special events with a total of 972 children and 776 adults in attendance.

We wish to express our gratitude to the many volunteers who have presented and assisted programs, and donated materials and professional services over the past year.

*Susan LeClair, Director*  
*Linda Kotusky, Children's Librarian*  
*Elaine DiStefano, Assistant*

*Mark Hampton, Assistant*  
*Rachel Baker, Assistant*

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, NH  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008**



Date	Groom's Name	Residence	Bride's Name	Residence
6/26/08	RONALD P. ADCOCK	PENACOOK	DOROTHY L. MCMAHON	CANTERBURY
7/21/08	DAMIAN A. FRISINA	CANTERBURY	JENNIFER A. PORTER	CANTERBURY
11/3/08	STEVEN A. ALBRECHT	CANTERBURY	CYNTHIA A. WENTWORTH	CANTERBURY
12/4/08	JAMES C. ASHWORTH	CANTERBURY	AMY A. MAYHEW	CANTERBURY

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*Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*

**CIVIL UNIONS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, NH  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008**



Date	Person A	Residence	Person B	Residence
1/1/08	RUTH A. SMITH	CANTERBURY	BETH A. MCGUINN	CANTERBURY
1/6/08	KATHLEEN A. DUNN	CANTERBURY	CHRISTINE A. BURGESS	CANTERBURY
7/20/08	MERRY A. FORTIER	CANTERBURY	NORMA M. LOVE	CANTERBURY
8/5/08	NANCY A. DRUKE	CANTERBURY	PAULA J. MERCIER	CANTERBURY

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# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY NH FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008



Date	Child's Name	Birthplace	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1/2/08	AVERY MORGAN TAYLOR	CONCORD	JESSE TAYLOR	JENNIFER TAYLOR
2/16/08	SARAH ASHLEY RITACCO	CONCORD	NICHOLAS RITACCO	JOCELYN RITACCO
3/9/08	ABBIGAYLE ROSE MOORE	LACONIA	ROBERT MOORE	HEATHER SMITH
3/11/08	GARRETT JOHN HASKELL	CANTERBURY	SCOTT HASKELL	ELIZABETH HASKELL
3/24/08	JOHN ROBERT BASHJA	LEBANON	ROBERT BASHA	KIMBERLY BASHA
4/9/08	HADLEY ROSE ESTY-LENNON	CONCORD	HAGEN ESTY-LENNON	LISA ESTY-LENNON
4/10/08	GAVIN BRUCE BUXTON	CONCORD	SCOTT BUXTON	KARA BUXTON
4/11/08	CAVIN RICHARDSON LUNEAU	CONCORD	CORY LUNEAU	AIDRA LUNEAU
6/13/08	BRODY EDWARD ENNIS	CONCORD	SCOTT ENNIS	KRISTIE ENNIS
7/15/08	KASIM AMEZ ADAMSON	LACONIA	SCOTT ENNIS	JESSICA SHEPARD
8/8/08	ANTHONY MICHAEL DOMINIC CAPECE	CONCORD	PAUL CAPECE	KATHLEEN CAPECE
8/9/08	JACK MERRILL CROCKFORD	LACONIA	RICHARD CROCKFORD	LAURA CROCKFORD
8/19/08	SAVANNA ROSE PELILLO	CONCORD	PETER PELILLO	ANDREA PELILLO
8/30/08	ANNA JEANETTE MCDONALD	CONCORD	SEAN MCDONALD	GENELLA MCDONALD
9/19/08	MATTHEW HOWARD LAVOIE	MANCHESTER	MICHAEL LAVOIE	KRISTY LAVOIE
11/3/08	ALLISON ESTHER CULLEN	CONCORD	TONYA ANO	
11/11/08	JADEAH LYNN DONLEY	MANCHESTER	SAMARAH THURSTON	
11/14/08	MAGGIE MAE BICKERS	CONCORD	DANIEL BICKERS	KIMBERLY BICKERS
12/11/08	KAILEY ANN O'BRIEN	CONCORD	JOHN O'BRIEN	LAURA O'BRIEN
12/28/08	LOLA MADONA BLACK	CONCORD	TARA BLACK	

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## DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY NH FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008



Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1/25/08	CANTERBURY	OSCAR GRONBECK	JOHN GRONBECK	ELIZABETH TOPP
2/6/08	CONCORD	HARRY BROWN SR	HARRY BROWN	MARY BROWN
2/25/08	CONCORD	IRENE RYDBERG	JENS NIELSEN	ANNA LAURSEN
3/7/08	CONCORD	WILBUR SEELEY II	ROBERT SEELEY	FLORENCE GREIDER
3/12/08	CONCORD	MURIEL ERNST	FRANKLIN HULSE	LILLIAN MORRISON
4/5/08	CONCORD	MARIE HOPKINS	JOHN HAYES	ANNA ZASTROW
9/20/08	CONCORD	RONALD MEADE	RICHARD MEADE	EVELYN ULP
11/27/08	CANTERBURY	GRAHAM CHYNOWETH	JOHN CHYNOWETH	BERYL FANCEY

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## **2008 DANCE AT DA DUMP KING AND QUEEN**

**Adlai Gordon and Abby Sutton**