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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE

For The Year Ending
December 31, 2005

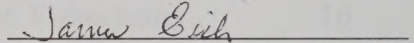
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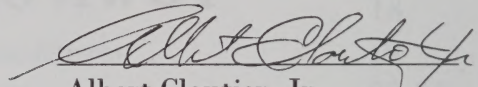
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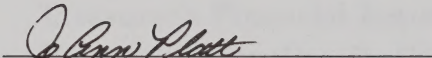
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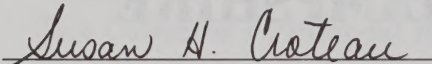
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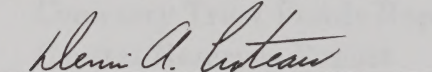

Everett R. Frizzell, Chairman

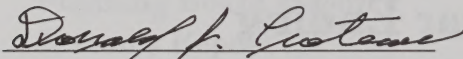

James Eich


Albert Cloutier, Jr.


JoAnn Platt, Tax Collector


Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk


Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer


Donald J. Croteau, Trustee

TOWN GOVERNMENT

1189 Stark Highway

Stark NH 03582

(603) 636-2118

Fax: (603) 636-6199

Email: twinstark@ncia.net

Selectmen's Office:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Susan H. Croteau, Office Manager

Selectmen's Meeting

Wednesday

6:00 p.m.

Everett R. Frizzell, Chairman (2008)

James Eich (2006)

Albert Cloutier, Jr. (2007)

Town Clerk's Office:

Tuesday & Thursday

10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk/Municipal Agent (2006)

Romy J. Curtis, Deputy Town Clerk/Municipal Agent

Tax Collector's Office:

Wednesday

3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

JoAnn Platt, Tax Collector (Appointed)

Patricia Cross, Deputy Tax Collector

Treasurer's Office:

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
Dennis Croteau, Treasurer (2008)
Nancy K. Spaulding, Deputy Treasurer

Road Agent:

Maurice Hibbard (2006)

Constable:

Colin K. Wentworth (2006)

Transfer Station:

Wednesday 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
George Bennett, Transfer Station Manager

Planning Board:

Fourth Thursday of each Month 7:00 p.m.
James Gibson Sr., Chairman (2007)
William Cowie (2008)
Jane Hopps (2007)
Susan H. Croteau (2006)
James Gibson, Jr. (2006)

Town Moderator:

William L. Joyce (2007)

Supervisors of the Checklist:

Judith Wentworth, Chairperson (2010)
Nancy K. Spaulding (2009)
Deborah K.N. Joyce (2011)

Cemetery Trustees:

Vacant (2006)

Vacant (2006)

Library Trustees:

Nancy K. Spaulding (2008)

Jane Hopps (2008)

Trustee of Trust Funds:

Donald Croteau (2008)

Vacant (2006)

Fire Department:

Barry Wentworth, Chief

Ronald Lunn, Assistant Chief

Travis Wentworth, Assistant Chief

Sexton:

Dennis A. Croteau (2006)

Librarian:

Judith Hildreth

Health Officer:

JoAnn Platt

Emergency Mgt.Director

Franklin Platt

TOWN OF STARK, NH

Town Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2005

Moderator William Joyce declared the meeting open at 9:00 a.m. Rules and regulations of the meeting were explained by William. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all citizens present.

A moment of silence was observed for all citizens who passed away during the last year.

Ballot Clerks were Deborah Joyce and John Pepau, Sr.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the entire Warrant was made by James Gibson, Sr. Second: James Eich.

ARTICLE # 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open.)

ARTICLE # 2: Motion to move **ARTICLE # 2** made by James Eich. Second: Everett R. Frizzell. James Eich explained that there was a typo error made on the article and the corrected amount was actually \$ 152,650 and not \$ 153,050 as printed in the Town Report Warrant. Motion to move article made by James Eich. Second: Everett R. Frizzell

ARTICLE # 2 IN AMOUNT OF \$ 152,650 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE # 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 27,825 for Public Safety:

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 3** made by James Eich. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

Motion to **AMEND ARTICLE # 3** made by William Cowie, second by Earl Hart to read as follows: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 25,125 for Public Safety

Motion to move **AMENDED ARTICLE # 3** made by James Gibson Sr.
Second: Earl Hart

AMENDED ARTICLE # 3 FAILED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 3** as originally written made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: James Eich

ARTICLE # 3 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 192,250 for Highways and Streets:

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 4** made by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Second: James Eich.

Earl Hart asked what the intentions were of taking care of the Leighton Meadow Bridge on Bell Hill Road. James Eich stated that the Board has no intentions of repairing the bridge at this time.

Frank & JoAnn Platt commended Road Agent Maurice Hibbard on his job performance in keeping the roads in such fine shape during snow storms. Citizens applauded.

ARTICLE # 4 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 73,800 for Sanitation:

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 5** made by James Eich. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

The Board of Selectmen complimented George Bennett, Transfer Station Manager for the fine job that he does in keeping the Transfer Station orderly and in tip-top shape.

ARTICLE # 5 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 4,575 for Health:

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 6** made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: James Eich.

ARTICLE # 6 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,200 for Direct Assistance.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 7** made by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Second: Everett R. Frizzell

ARTICLE # 7 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion to recess at 10:35 a.m. made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr. Meeting recessed.

Meeting called back order at 10:55 a.m.

ARTICLE # 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,500 for Culture and Recreation:

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 8** made by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Second: James Eich.

ARTICLE # 8 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 38,685 for Debt Services.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 9** made by James Eich. Second: Everett R. Frizzell.

James Eich explained that the Town has not needed a T.A.N. for the last few years but it was put in the budget for purposes of having it if the need be.

ARTICLE # 9 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 19,200 for Interfund Operating Transfers Out.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 10** made by James Eich. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE # 10 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 73,000 for the interior rehabilitation of the Stark Parsonage. Said funds to come from a donation from John Kauffmann, and to further authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend monies donated by John Kauffmann. The purpose of this article is to rehabilitate the property for historical and/ or town purposes.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 11** made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE # 11 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 12: To see if the Town will vote to give a 5 % discount on property taxes if paid within 14 days after tax bills have been presented.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 12** made by John Pepau, Sr. Second: Leo Cinfo.

ARTICLE # 12 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 13: To transact any and all other business that may lawfully come before this meeting:

Earl Hart questioned why no money was spent from the Cemetery Trust Funds account to restore or repair broken headstones in the town cemeteries. James Eich explained that there was no elected sexton last year to over see these projects and that there would be a sexton elected this year and hopefully these projects will be done in 2005.

William Cowie thanked the Selectmen for the fine job they do as Town Fathers and also thanked Sue Croteau for the job she does in always going above and beyond her expected duties. Citizens applauded the Selectmen and Sue.

Ada Ball asked if Selectmen would put a stop sign on the corner of Percy Road and Bell Hill Road near the rail road crossing. Ada stated that it is a dangerous intersection and fears that an accident could happen there. Selectmen will address the request this year.

Georgia Caron encouraged all persons present at Town Meeting to attend the School Meeting at 3:30 today. Georgia stated that the number of students enrolled is decreasing yearly and discussed the amount of money that is being spent to keep the “little school” running.

William Joyce spoke of the generosity of John Kauffmann with funding the parsonage building, and his further generosity with the Stark Union Church.

Motion to adjourn made by James Eich. Second: Leo Cinfo
Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Absentee Ballots were placed in ballot box at 3:30 p.m.

Polls were declared closed at 7:00 p.m.

Ballots were counted and tabulated with the following results:

TOWN RESULTS

Selectperson (3 years)	Everett R. Frizzell
Constable (1 year)	Colin K. Wentworth
Supervisor of the Checklist (6 years)	Deborah Joyce
Sexton (1 year)	Dennis A. Croteau
Treasurer (3 years)	Dennis A. Croteau
Road Agent (1 year)	Maurice Hibbard
Trustee of Trust Funds (3 years)	Donald J. Croteau
Moderator (1 year)	William L. Joyce
Planning Board (3 years)	William J. Cowie
Planning Board (2 years)	Jane A. Hopps

SCHOOL RESULTS

School Board Member (3 years)

Jane A. Hopps

School Moderator (1 year)

William L. Joyce

School Treasurer (1 year)

Susan H. Croteau

School Clerk (1 year)

Susan H. Croteau

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Susan H. Croteau

Town Clerk, Stark

DINEEN & CRANE
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and fiduciary fund information of Town of Stark as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, which collectively compose the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Town of Stark's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and fiduciary fund information of Town of Stark as of December 31, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position thereof, and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note V,B, the Town has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments, as amended and interpreted, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004.

Management's discussion and analysis on pages four through eight is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively compose Town of Stark's basic financial statements. The combining non-major fund financial statements presented in Schedules 1 and 2 are supplemental information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Schedules 3 and 4 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information in Schedules 1 through 4 has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Dineen & Crane, PLLC

BALANCE SHEET
Year Ending December 31, 2005

CASH:

Northway Bank	353,334.75
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	99,445.80
Total	\$452,780.55

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:

Bridge	32,399.79
Dump	1,712.36
Revaluation	397.08
Back Hoe	8,982.19
Compactor	9,713.12
Discount	8,744.39
Town Truck	13,589.27
Fire Department Building	4,859.52
Fire Department Equipment	11,224.54
Fire Department Expendable Trust	2,387.55
Paris Road Crossing	1,007.33
Stark School/Handicapped	94,835.14
Stark School/Maintenance	5,167.13
Total	\$195,019.41

LIBRARY FUNDS:

\$1,649.10

HERITAGE CENTER:

\$11,439.57

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:	
Property Tax 2005	70,276.02
Liens 2004	15,328.90
Liens 2003	4,514.73
Lien 2002	140.74
Land Use Change Tax	9,642.00
Total	\$99,902.39

TOWN PROPERTY:	\$2,010,392.00
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TOTAL ASSETS:	\$2,771,183.02
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:	
School District	279,747.00

NET WORTH:	2,468,257.83
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SURPLUS:	23,178.19
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH	\$2,771,183.02
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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Variance</u>
4130-Executive	33,100	32,048.51	1,051.49
4140-Elections, Registrations, Vitals	14,300	11,217.27	3,082.73
4150-Financial Administration	18,100	19,754.72	(1,654.72)
4152-Revaluation	17,700	17,118.75	581.25
4153-Legal	2,000	966.40	1,033.60
4155-Personnel Administration	14,000	10,173.20	3,826.80
4191-Planning & Zoning	500	328.30	171.70
4194-General Government Buildings	13,500	10,063.89	3,436.11
4195-Cemeteries	4,500	4,496.67	3.33
4196-Insurance	29,200	23,902.44	5,297.56
4197-Advertising & Regional Assoc.	2,250	1,598.40	651.60
4199-Other Government	3,500	0.00	3,500.00
4210-Police	8,250	3,660.07	4,589.93
4215-Ambulance	5,200	5,200.00	0.00
4220-Fire Department	13,300	13,389.27	(89.27)
4290-Emergency Management	500	371.88	128.12
4299-Other Safety	575	275.00	300.00
4312-Highways	192,250	193,731.14	(1,481.14)
4324-Solid Waste	44,600	43,260.50	1,339.50
4325-Solid Waste Clean-Up	29,200	36,492.59	(7,292.59)
4415-Health Agencies	2,400	2,400.00	0.00
4419-Other Health	2,175	2,175.00	0.00
4442-Welfare	2,200	1,788.69	411.31
4550-Library	500	500.00	0.00
4583-Patriotic	2,000	2,210.36	(210.36)
4711-Principal Long Term Bonds	25,000	25,000.00	0.00
4721-Interest Long Term Bonds	9,185	9,183.76	1.24
4723-Interest on T.A.N.	4,500	0.00	4,500.00
4915-Capital Reserves	18,200	18,200.00	0.00
4916-Transfers To Trust	1,000	1,000.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$513,685	\$490,506.81	\$23,178.19

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Value of Land Only:	Acres	
Current Use Land	10,060	815,489.00
Residential	1,161	18,766,800.00
Commercial/Industrial	222	911,600.00
		\$20,493,889.00
Value of Buildings:		
Residential		25,729,700.00
Manufactured Housing		1,476,700.00
Commercial/Industrial		961,100.00
		\$28,167,500.00
Utilities:		
Public Service Co. of NH		1,214,400.00
PG & E Generating Company		700.00
PNGTS		14,377,600.00
		\$15,592,700.00
Valuation Before Exemptions:		\$64,254,089.00
Exemptions:		
Blind		45,000.00
Elderly		120,000.00
Total Exemptions		\$165,000.00
Net Valuation		64,089,089.00
Less Utilities		-15,592,700.00
Net Valuation Without Utilities		\$48,496,389.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations	586,685.00	
Less: Revenues	-312,023.00	
Less: Shared Revenues	-1,340.00	
Add: Overlay	51,579.00	
War Service Credits	8,900.00	
Net Town Appropriations	333,801.00	
Municipal Tax Rate		\$5.21
Net Local School Budget	945,184.00	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	-335,437.00	
State Education Taxes	-96,242.00	
Approved School Tax Effort	513,505.00	
Local School Tax Rate		\$8.00
State Education Taxes		
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x \$ 2.84	96242.00	
33,888,202.00		
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
48,566,103.00		
State School Tax Rate		\$1.98
Due to County	215,969.00	
Less: Shared Revenues	-887.00	
Approved County Tax Effort	215,082.00	
County Tax Rate		\$3.35
Tax Rate 2005		\$18.54
Total Property Taxes Assessed	1,158,630.00	
Less: War Service Credits	-8,900.00	
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$1,149,730.00	

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

<u>Property</u>	<u>Building Value</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>Total</u>
Control Shed	19,200	47,000	66,200
Heritage Center	120,000	10,000	130,000
Public Library	25,746	23,738	49,484
Pump House	36,236	29,500	65,736
Statue Park	3,100	0	3,100
Town Garage	296,624	59,592	356,216
Town Hall	473,635	72,629	546,264
Transfer Station Building	68,806	18,736	87,542
Volunteer Fire Department	530,850	175,000	705,850
Total	\$ 1,574,197	\$ 436,195	\$ 2,010,392

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

3110-3190	Revenue From Tax Collector	1,129,938.31
3210-3290	Revenue From Town Clerk	86,147.70
3351-3379	State & Federal Government	111,909.46
3401-3509	Local Sources	54,416.01
3915-3916	Capital Reserves	82,249.73
TOTAL REVENUES-2005		\$1,464,661.21

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

4130-4199	General Government	131,668.55
4210-4299	Public Safety	22,896.22
4312	Highways & Streets	193,731.14
4324-4325	Solid Waste	79,753.09
4415-4419	Health Agencies	4,575.00
4442	Welfare	1,788.69
4550-4583	Culture & Recreation	2,710.36
4711-4723	Debt Services	34,183.76
4915	Transfers To Capital Reserves	18,200.00
4916	Transfers To Trust	1,000.00
4931	County Tax Payment	215,969.00
4933	School Payments	643,166.00
4960	Miscellaneous	44,732.78
TOTAL EXPENDITURES-2005		\$1,394,374.59

DETAILED STATEMENT OF REVENUES

Year Ending December 31, 2005

Tax Collector:

3110-Property Tax	1,112,961.53
3120-Land Use Change Tax	1,080.00
3185-Yield Tax	3,791.23
3186-Gravel Tax	4,329.78
3190-Penalties	7,775.77
TOTAL	\$1,129,938.31

Town Clerk:

3210-Filing Fees	27.00
3210-Uniform Commercial Codes	210.00
3220-Motor Vehicle Registrations	82,330.50
3220-Municipal Agent Fees	2,041.70
3290-Vital Records	346.00
3290-Dog Licenses & Penalties	1,192.50
TOTAL	\$86,147.70

State & Federal Government:

3351-Shared Revenue Block Grants	5,596.00
3352-Rooms & Meal Tax	19,257.26
3353-Highway Block Grant	56,406.20
3356-State & Federal Forest	26,582.00
3359-Railroad Tax	4,068.00
TOTAL	\$111,909.46

Local Sources:

3401-Income From Departments	946.56
3404-Refuse	3,512.30
3501-Sale of Municipal Property	1,293.00
3502-Interest On Investments	3,599.33
3503-Rent Of Town Property	275.00
3504-Fines & Forfeitures	775.00
3509-Miscellaneous Revenue	44,014.82
3915-Transfers From Capital Reserves	82,249.73
TOTAL	\$136,665.74

TOTAL REVENUES-2005	\$1,464,661.21
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Year Ending December 31, 2005

4130-EXECUTIVE

Albert Cloutier, Jr.	1,600.00
Expenses	349.20
Dennis Croteau	28.08
E-Acceleration Virus Protection	93.40
Everett R. Frizzell	1,600.00
Expenses	566.44
Groveton Postmaster	1,418.63
James Eich	1,600.00
Expenses	188.59
JoAnn Platt	17.98
Local Government Center	100.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment Inc.	1,886.20
Matthew Bender & Co. Inc.	337.70
McAfee Virus Protection	59.90
NH Municipal Association	533.45
NH Assoc. of Assessing Officials	20.00
NH Labor Law Poster Service	65.25
NH Local Govt Information Network	10.00
NH Local Welfare Admin. Assoc.	30.00
NHGFOA	25.00
North Country Internet Access	264.00
Norton Anti Virus	46.94
Pitney Bowes	765.15
Quick Books	199.00
Real Data Corporation	298.85

Registry of Deeds	84.74
Staples	79.53
Susan H. Croteau	18,303.00
Expenses	92.52
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	59.00
Verizon	1,325.96
TOTAL EXECUTIVE	\$32,048.51

4140-ELECTION,REGISTRATION,VITALS

Albert Cloutier, Jr.	60.00
Deborah K.N. Joyce	60.00
Department of Agriculture	300.00
Donald Croteau	60.00
Everett R. Frizzell	60.00
Identification Source	117.61
James Eich	60.00
John Pepau, Sr.	60.00
Judith R. Gibson	60.00
Judith Wentworth	120.00
Mary Beth Gibson	30.00
Nancy K. Spaulding	90.00
NE Association of City & Town Clerks	25.00
NH City & Town Clerk's Association	20.00
Primedia Price Digests	269.95
Romy J. Curtis	3,322.90
Registry of Deeds	29.65
Smith & Town Printers	2,199.52
Susan H. Croteau	3,484.76
Expenses	587.88

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	140.00
William Joyce	60.00
TOTAL-REGISTRATION,ELECTION,VITALS	\$11,217.27

4150-FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Avitar Associates of NE, Inc.	145.00
Balsams Grand Resort Hotel	549.70
Dell Business Credit	1,325.00
Dennis Croteau	1,825.00
	Expenses 277.20
Dineen & Crane	8,650.00
Donald Croteau	125.00
	Expenses 28.30
JoAnn Platt	5,990.32
	Expenses 490.33
NH Tax Collector's Association	90.00
Patricia Cross	177.48
Registry of Deeds	81.39
TOTAL-FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$19,754.72

4152-REVALUATION

Avitar Associates of NE, Inc.	16,143.75
Cartographic Associates, Inc.	975.00
TOTAL -REVALUATION	\$17,118.75

4153-LEGAL

Michael M. Ransmeier, P.C.	966.40
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TOTAL-LEGAL	\$966.40
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4155-PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

New Hampshire Retirement System	2,551.78
Social Security/Medicare/With-holding	7,479.24
Unemployment	142.18
TOTAL-PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	\$10,173.20

4191-PLANNING & ZONING

Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender	211.30
North Country Council	75.00
Registry of Deeds	42.00
TOTAL-PLANNING & ZONING	\$328.30

4194-GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Anthony Haney	368.19	
Community Co-Op Oil	6,569.43	
Emerson & Son Inc.	1.69	
Everett & David Rexford Construction	350.00	
JoAnn Platt	31.72	
Lyndonville Office Equipment Inc.	77.02	
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	1,453.21	
Ron's Electric	573.35	
Susan H. Croteau	517.72	
	Expenses	15.89
Ultramar Energy Inc.	105.67	
TOTAL-GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$10,063.89	

4195-CEMETERIES

Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	22.83
Dennis Croteau	1,357.01
Expenses	71.28
Dereck M. Croteau	2,202.69
Donald Croteau	193.00
F.B. Spaulding Company	349.95
Grainger	19.92
Martin's Agway	83.67
Perras Ace Inc.	30.82
Yesterday's Country Store, LLC	165.50
TOTAL -CEMETERIES	\$4,496.67

4196-INSURANCE

Healthtrust	11,990.16
Local Government Center-Worker's Compensation	1,355.69
Local Government Center-Property Liability	10,556.59
TOTAL-INSURANCE	\$23,902.44

4197-ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

North Country Council	484.90
Northern Gateway Chamber of Commerce	300.00
Salmon Press	813.50
TOTAL-ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC.	\$1,598.40

4210-POLICE

Bruce Oakes	339.86
Expenses	12.60
Colin K. Wentworth	433.50
Donald Croteau	19.48
Expenses	9.36
Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc.	156.28
Town of Lancaster, Police Department	300.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	49.00
William Joyce	2,100.75
Expenses	239.24
TOTAL-POLICE	\$3,660.07

4215-AMBULANCE

Groveton Ambulance Service	5,200.00
TOTAL-AMBULANCE	\$5,200.00

4220-FIRE DEPARTMENT

Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	57.81
Burt's General Repair & Welding	501.07
Clark Wentworth	200.44
Colin Wentworth	63.41
Fire Tech & Safety	580.00
Glenn's Service Center	582.50
Inland Divers, Inc.	74.90
James R. Gibson, Sr.	51.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	183.89
Merriam Graves Corporation	171.60

New Hampshire Retirement System	120.00
NFIRS Online	150.00
North Country Internet Access	143.40
Northern NH FireMutual Aid Pact	350.00
Northern Tire	100.00
Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc	1,289.36
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	1,389.81
Ronald Lunn	16.00
Stark Volunteer Fire Department Association	4,829.50
State of NH -Department of Safety/Fire Academy	1,041.00
State of NH-Criminal Records	46.00
State of NH-Department of Motor Vehicles	8.00
Verizon	510.39
Weeks Medical Center	987.00
TOTAL-FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$13,389.27

4290-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Frank Platt	371.88
TOTAL-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$371.88

4299-OTHER SAFETY

Lancaster Juvenile Diversion Program	275.00
TOTAL-OTHER SAFETY	\$275.00

4312-HIGHWAYS

Al's Plumbing Heating & Fuel	304.85
All States Asphalt, Inc.	94,085.00

B-B Chain	99.00
Berlin Insulation Company	2,320.00
Berlin Spring, Inc.	371.55
Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	1,096.70
C.N.Brown Company	27.22
Citgo	139.03
Cloutier Sand & Gravel	28,327.65
Colebrook Oil Company	1,513.02
Coos Auto Supply, Inc.	318.00
Coos Farm	1,326.00
D.E.S.Wetlands Bureau	382.50
Dean Demers	185.00
Dennis Croteau	150.00
Donald Croteau	213.74
Emerson & Son, Inc.	44.40
E.W. Sleeper	2,229.70
Groveton Postmaster	6.30
Irving Oil Corp.	3,383.52
Isaacson Steel, Inc.	164.20
James Beroney	40.00
James R. Gibson, Sr.	1,312.60
LRG Healthcare	43.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	35.90
Mason Excavating & Gravel	3,147.00
Maurice Hibbard	37,607.65
McDevitt Trucks, Inc.	41.67
North American Salt Company	1,747.63
Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc.	130.09
Pike Industries	444.60
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	1,062.01

Richard Wolin	28.30
Solutions	3,805.15
Southworth -Milton, Inc.	308.75
State of New Hampshire-DMV	8.00
Town of Northumberland	81.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	2,545.84
Verizon	516.88
We Fix Trucks	719.17
Yesterday's Country Store, LLC	3,418.52
TOTAL-HIGHWAYS	\$193,731.14

4324-SOLID WASTE

A.V.R.R.D.D.	18,690.97
Atlantic Leasing Corporation	767.80
Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	59.69
Cloutier Sand & Gravel	48.79
Dennis Boivin	1,170.00
Donald Croteau	632.02
Emerson & Son, Inc.	62.48
George Bennett	10,287.01
	Expenses 556.38
Inland Divers, Inc.	16.83
Isaacson Steel, Inc	884.97
James Beroney	60.00
James Gibson, Sr.	330.00
KWB Power & Performance	782.50
Maurice Hibbard	1,723.03
Normandeau Trucking, Inc.	4,898.50
Northeast Resource Recovery Association	280.00
Perras Ace, Inc.	477.35

Public Service Company of New Hampshire	701.58
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	233.00
Verizon	597.60
TOTAL-SOLID WASTE	\$43,260.50

4325-SOLID WASTE CLEAN UP

A.R. Couture Construction Corp.	3,445.36
Eastern Analytical, Inc.	1,456.00
Horizons Engineering, PLLC	6,703.43
Provan & Lorber, Inc.	693.60
Treasurer, State of NH (SRF Loan)	24,194.20
TOTAL-SOLID WASTE CLEAN UP	\$36,492.59

4415-HEALTH AGENCIES

JoAnn Platt	75.00
Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health	125.00
Weeks Home Health Services	2,200.00
TOTAL-HEALTH AGENCIES	\$2,400.00

4419-OTHER HEALTH

American Red Cross	225.00
Community Action Program, Inc.	800.00
Groveton H.S. Chem Free Celebration	450.00
Senior Fellowship	700.00
TOTAL-OTHER HEALTH	\$2,175.00

4442-DIRECT ASSISTANCE

Maurice & Lori Hibbard	450.00
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	53.23
Town of Stark, Tax Collector	1,285.46
TOTAL-DIRECT ASSISTANCE	\$1,788.69

4550-LIBRARY

Stark Public Library	500
TOTAL-LIBRARY	\$500.00

4583-PATRIOTIC

Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	1.03
Cecile Eich	52.66
Dennis Croteau	43.92
Dereck M. Croteau	125.68
Donald Croteau	492.82
	Expenses
Gemini Sign & Design	575.00
Green Earth Nursery	71.00
Groveton Community Christmas	500.70
James R. Gibson, Sr.	130.00
North Country Flag	149.72
Perras Ace, Inc.	22.89
Yesterday's Country Store, LLC	24.00
TOTAL-PATRIOTIC	\$2,210.36

4711-PRINCIPAL LONG TERM

Flagship Bank & Trust Company	25,000.00
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TOTAL-PRINCIPAL LONG TERM	\$25,000.00
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4721-INTEREST LONG TERM BONDS

Flagship Bank & Trust Company	9,183.76
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TOTAL-INTEREST LONG TERM BONDS	\$9,183.76
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4915-CAPITAL RESERVES

NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	18,200.00
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TOTAL-CAPITAL RESERVES	\$18,200.00
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4916-TRANSFERS TO TRUST

New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	1,000.00
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TOTAL-TRANSFERS TO TRUST	\$1,000.00
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4931-COUNTY TAX

Coos County Treasurer	215,969.00
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TOTAL-COUNTY TAX	\$215,969.00
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4933-SCHOOL TAX

Treasurer, Stark School District	643,166.00
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TOTAL-SCHOOL TAX	\$643,166.00
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4960-MISCELLANEOUS

Arnold Drouin-Abatement	327.43
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Bank Fees	2,299.15
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Bradford Petty-Overpayment	78.90
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Bruce Sutherland, Jr.-Overpayment	14.08
Clark & Judith Wentworth-Overpayment	57.60
Craig Coulombe-Overpayment	49.77
Daniel & Susan Fogg-Abatement	117.00
Deborah Calabro-Overpayment	7.22
Don Vinyard-Overpayment	10.99
George Craggy	26.77
Irving & Veronica Boudle-Overpayment	10.00
James & Judith Gibson-Overpayment	58.95
James Gibson, Jr.-Course Reimbursement	140.00
James & Marilyn Herbert-Overpayment	20.45
Mark & Georgette Poland-Overpayment	53.90
Maurice Boivin-Overpayment	8.55
Maurice & Janet Tremblay-Abatement	250.29
Nash Stream Properties-Abatement	88.00
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool-Insured Motorists	5,300.00
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool-Error	3,879.38
Old County Real Estate Trust-Overpayment	9.34
Phyllis Fournier-Abatement	13.00
Plain Road Realty, LLC-Overpayment	5.09
Richard Wolin-Overpayment of dog licenses	50.00
Robert & Barbara Fysh-Overpayment	306.87
Robert & Donna Paradis-Overpayment of registration	40.00
Robert Kidder-Overpayment	26.79
Roger & Cindy Spurrell-Overpayment	5.43
Roger & Madeleine Guyer-Overpayment	963.66
Roger & Sherry Lehoullier-Overpayment	11.70
Shane & Wanda Riff-Overpayment	12.60
Stark Tax Collector	30,436.20
Tege Randall-Overpayment of registration	37.50

Wayne Curran-Overpayment	8.88
William McGravey-Overpayment	7.29
TOTAL-MISCELLANEOUS	\$44,732.78
TOTAL EXPENDITURES-2005	\$1,394,374.59

TREASURER'S YEARLY REPORT
GENERAL FUND
Year Ending December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance	354,268.92
Receipts to Treasurer	<u>1,467,905.20</u>
	1,822,174.12
Less Payments	<u>1,473,202.82</u>
	348,971.30
Accrued Interest	<u>3,599.33</u>
	352,570.63
Less Bank Fees	<u>166.50</u>
	352,404.13
Other Debits	<u>3,557.04</u>
	355,961.17
Other Credits	<u>2,626.42</u>
Ending Balance 12-31-05	\$353,334.75
Balance on Statement 12-31-05	368,404.55
Less Outstanding Checks	<u>25,898.42</u>
	342,506.13
Deposits Outstanding	<u>10,828.62</u>
Beginning Balance 01-01-06	\$353,334.75



Dennis A. Croteau
Treasurer

TREASURER'S YEARLY REPORT
NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL
Year Ending December 31, 2005

ACCOUNT: STARK

Beginning Balance 01-01-05	96,541.90
Contributions	<u>3,879.38</u>
	100,421.28
Interest	<u>2,752.94</u>
	103,174.22
Withdrawals	<u>3,879.38</u>
Ending Balance 12-31-05	\$99,294.84

ACCOUNT: BRIDGE BOND

Beginning Balance 01-01-05	146.75
Interest	<u>4.21</u>
Ending Balance 12-31-06	\$150.96



Dennis A. Croteau
Treasurer

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 2005

STARK HERITAGE CENTER

Balance 1-1-05	39,425.57
Interest-Northway Bank	177.25
Interest-NH Charitable Foundation	<u>2,301.03</u>
	41,903.85
Donations-Kauffmann	41,000.00
Donations-Mayhew Land Sale	<u>16,000.00</u>
	98,903.85
Miscellaneous Deposit	<u>28.00</u>
	98,931.85
Payments:	87,492.28
Balance 12-31-05	\$11,439.57



Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Stark Heritage Center

Carroll Concrete	754.08
Cloutier Sand & Gravel	5,077.90
Community Co-Op Oil	1,230.61
Dennis Croteau	315.72
Domain Architectural Design	950.00
Elm Research Institute	81.00
Emerson & Sons	201.66
Jane Hopps	60.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment	323.98
Michael Ransmeier	150.00
Millican Nurseries	1,042.00
Perras Ace	121.71
Public Service Co. of NH	116.96
Rick's Landscaping	3,530.00
Riley's Carpentry	73,097.00
Verizon	439.66
Total Payments-2005	\$87,492.28

TOWN CLERK FINANCIAL REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 2005

3210-Business Licenses

Filing Fees	27.00
Uniform Commercial Codes	210.00
Total Business Licenses	\$237.00

3220-Automobile Permits Issued

Permits	82,040.50
Municipal Agent Fees	2,041.70
Title Fees	290.00
Total Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$84,372.20

3290-Other Licenses

Dog Licenses & Penalties	1,142.50
Marriage Licenses	254.00
Vital Records	92.00
Total Other Licenses	\$1,538.50

Total Remitted to Treasurer-2005	\$86,147.70
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Susan H. Croteau

Susan H. Croteau
Town Clerk/Municipal Agent

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of STARK TAX COLLECTOR Year Ending 12/31/2005

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*		2005	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2004	2003	2002+
Property Taxes	#3110	XXXXXX	\$ 58,308.12	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	XXXXXX	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	XXXXXX	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	XXXXXX	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	XXXXXX	\$ 1,552.34	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	XXXXXX	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		XXXXXX	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
		XXXXXX			
		XXXXXX			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR				FOR DRA USE ONLY
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 1,152,481.00	\$ 0.00	
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 9,642.00	\$ 0.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 3,791.23	\$ 0.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 2,777.44	\$ 0.00	
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	

OVERPAYMENTS

Remaining From Prior Year		\$ 0.00			
New This Fiscal Year		\$ 2,228.48			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 680.74	\$ 4,124.67	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 1,171,600.89	\$ 65,065.13	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of STARK TAX COLLECTOR Year Ending 12/31/2005

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	2005	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2004	2003	2002+
Property Taxes	\$ 1,033,217.92	\$ 33,065.11	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 3,791.23	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 680.74	\$ 4,124.67	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 2,777.44	\$ 1,552.34	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 26,323.01	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$ 0.00			

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 48,987.06	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES – END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 70,276.02	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 9,642.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Remaining Overpayments - Prior Yrs.	\$ 0.00			
Remaining Overpayments - This Year	\$ 5.36			
This Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 2,223.12			
Prior Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 0.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 1,171,600.89	\$ 65,065.13	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of STARK TAX COLLECTOR Year Ending 12/31/2005

DEBITS

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	2005	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2004	2003	2002+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 7,498.15	\$ 5,042.69
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 28,898.86	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 731.04	\$ 411.30	\$ 1,828.02
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00	\$ 29,629.90	\$ 7,909.45	\$ 6,870.71

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		2005	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2004	2003	2002+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00	\$ 13,550.12	\$ 2,983.42	\$ 4,901.95
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 731.04	\$ 411.30	\$ 1,828.02
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00	\$ 19.84	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 15,328.90	\$ 4,514.73	\$ 140.74
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00	\$ 29,629.90	\$ 7,909.45	\$ 6,870.71

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? Yes

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Jo Ann Platt DATE 1-11-06
Jo Ann Platt

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Year Ending December 31, 2005

Almeida, Manuel	584.92
Bartlett, Leslie & Peggy	4,005.59
Beaton, Randy & Joya	1,126.69
Bennett, George	5904.13
Bernard, Robert J.	1,215.98
Blake, George	469.52
Bourbeau, Raymond & Diane	550.57
Bourbeau, Robert & Laurette	1,880.03
Calabro, Deborah	1,658.35
Camara, Dona	799.66
Connolly, David & Tammy	54.37
Cote, Alice	992.25
Cote, Edward & Anne	644.11
Cote, Maurice & Julienne	637.09
Cottrell, George & Carolyn	1,107.63
Coulombe, Craig	152.50
Covill, Richard & Barbara	2,414.85
Craggy, George N.	484.59
Cross, Calvin & Patricia	4,747.77
Croteau, Dennis & Susan	1,953.42
Cullman, Duncan Thayer	1,122.26
Damm, Peter & Heidi	757.35
Dawes, Robert & Laura	1,659.47
Demers, Bruce & Leona	1,389.55
Demers, Ernest	516.69
Dube, Priscilla	960.92
Esdale, Eric & Laurie	468.47
Farrell, Robert & Leslie	2,101.40

Frizzell, Margaret	3,462.57
Fysh, Barbara	705.57
Geer, Mabel	809.65
Gibson, Diana	1,564.85
Gibson, James & Marybeth	817.68
Green, Richard	821.57
Guthro, Mark W.	290.95
Guyer, Roger & Madeleine	2,236.33
Hall, Jeffrey	172.84
Hamel, Diana	765.51
Hand, Alice	928.08
Hathaway, Raymond	1,076.66
Herbert, James & Marilyn	1,804.91
Herrmann, Otto & Deborah	1,368.49
Holbrook, Laurence & Samantha	844.49
Hopps, Harry & Maxine	1,535.01
Huot, Jo	1,647.79
Jackson, Carolyn	5.79
Johnson, Ernest & Dorothy	1,180.67
Kenison, Donald Jr.	147.48
Laplante, Theresa & John	691.37
Leclerc, Joseph & Helene	20.07
Lehde, Bonnie	2,208.12
Lehoullier, Roger & Sherry	35.93
Mason, Bryan J.	1,669.47
Mason, Harley & Carmen	1,201.43
Murath, Sally	1,134.24
Normand, Jeffrey	2,805.31
Nugent John F.	1,768.80
PG & E Generating Company	12.44


Phillips, Raymond	190.76
Quay, Natalee	411.05
Ripaldi, Peter & Lauri	6,120.00
Ritchea, Jeremy & Stephanie	641.90
Roberge, Daniel J.	966.44
Rogers, Murray & Rebecca	3,128.29
Rogers, Shane	320.33
Rogers, Shane & Michelle	792.66
Rolfe, Robert	672.79
Shepherd, Brenda	280.50
Smith, Dianne	2,525.29
Snihurowych, Bohdan	1,384.54
Spurrell, Roger & Cindy	1,434.53
St. Cyr, Joseph	1,010.71
Steady, George Gordon	2,602.88
Swallow, Jamie & Cindy	288.95
Tierney, David & Veronica	458.50
Turcotte, Richard & Christina	1,858.09
Valliere, George	176.58
Vinyard, Don	1,769.34
Wentworth, Barry & Linda	619.03
TOTAL	\$101,747.36

* Amounts uncollected are as of 12/31/05 and do not reflect payments made between then and printing of Annual Town Report.

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Year Ending December 31, 2005

Date of Creation	Name of Trust	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total End Year
		Balance Beginning of Year	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year						
12/12/1965	Albert Emery	200.00	0.00	200.00	235.30	11.69	52.67	194.32		394.32	
1/12/1955	Seth Cole	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,335.41	65.26	107.67	1,293.00		2,293.00	
3/22/1921	Charles Emery	46.13	0.00	46.13	13.80	1.49	0.00	15.29		61.42	
8/10/1959	Maude Sanderson	200.00	0.00	200.00	131.43	9.20	22.67	117.96		317.96	
4/19/1978	Louis Pike	200.00	0.00	200.00	562.37	20.41	98.67	484.11		684.11	
2/23/1949	Lois A. Fiske	100.00	0.00	100.00	145.99	6.90	0.00	152.89		252.89	
5/18/1921	George M. Smith	100.00	0.00	100.00	54.92	3.65	50.32	8.25		108.25	
9/17/1946	Stella A. Lunn Cole	200.00	0.00	200.00	142.56	8.69	102.67	48.58		248.58	
3/17/1934	Solomon D. Cole	50.00	0.00	50.00	17.25	1.91	0.00	19.16		69.16	
5/22/1943	Katherine Holmes	200.00	0.00	200.00	342.72	15.10	42.67	315.15		515.15	
5/22/1943	Eidon Cole	300.00	0.00	300.00	174.57	12.59	92.67	94.49		394.49	
2/14/1959	Sara M. Kammerling	1,054.50	0.00	1,054.50	981.52	57.19	87.34	951.37		2,005.87	
12/11/1953	Maude S. Kammerling	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,011.05	56.45	91.33	976.17		1,976.17	
10/10/1966	Eldora A. Pike	250.00	0.00	250.00	174.89	10.36	115.00	70.25		320.25	
10/10/1966	Kate L. Osgood	250.00	0.00	250.00	216.30	12.09	98.89	129.50		379.50	
12/19/1963	Amos & Jennie Emery	100.00	0.00	100.00	245.23	8.87	98.89	155.21		255.21	
6/19/1971	Alfred L. Smith	250.00	0.00	250.00	189.33	11.18	94.22	106.29		356.29	
11/17/1971	Riley S. Lunn	200.00	0.00	200.00	145.45	9.49	42.67	112.27		312.27	
9/9/1964	Sereno P. Farwell	100.00	0.00	100.00	46.18	3.65	32.67	17.16		117.16	
8/22/1983	Manetti Montgomery	500.00	0.00	500.00	417.28	24.74	122.67	319.35		819.35	
12/23/1987	Robert & Ruby Rolfe	320.25	0.00	320.25	184.67	14.20	25.00	173.87		494.12	
Totals		\$6,620.88	\$0.00	\$6,620.88	\$6,768.22	\$365.11	\$1,378.69	\$5,754.64		\$12,375.52	


Donald J. Croteau
Trustee of Trust Funds

REPORT OF CAPITAL RESERVES

Year Ending December 31, 2005

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust	Where Invested	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year
9-12-95	Bridge Account	Maintenance	NHPDIP	28,579.77	3,820.02		32,399.79
9-12-95	Dump Account	Future Outlay	NHPDIP	1,567.57	144.79		1,712.36
9-12-95	Revaluation Account	Revaluation	NHPDIP	386.03	11.05		397.08
12-11-96	Backhoe Account	New Backhoe	NHPDIP	5,812.60	3,169.59		8,982.19
12-11-96	Compactor Account	New Compactor	NHPDIP	8,470.00	1,243.12		9,713.12
12-18-96	Trust Discount Fund	Discount	NHPDIP	7,528.09	1,216.30		8,744.39
12-18-96	Town Truck Fund	New Truck	NHPDIP	57,534.55	5,336.72	49,282.00	13,589.27
12-18-96	Fire Dept. Equipment	Equipment	NHPDIP	8,985.42	6,239.12	4,000.00	11,224.54
12-18-96	Fire Dept. Building	New Building	NHPDIP	4,852.15	7.37		4,859.52
12-26-03	Fire Dept. Expendable	Insured Motorists	NHPDIP	1,878.69	2,308.86	1,800.00	2,387.55
12-03-04	Paris Road Crossing	New Lights	NHPDIP	28,035.83	760.54	27,789.04	1,007.33
11-12-02	Education Handicapped	Handicapped	NHPDIP	92,201.23	2,633.91		94,835.14
9-5-02	School Building	Maintenance	Berlin City Bank	5,133.57	33.56		5,167.13
Totals				\$250,965.50	\$26,924.95	\$ 82,871.04	\$195,019.41



Donald J. Croteau
Trustee of Trust Funds

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Many projects were wrapped up in 2005 and many new were begun. The new Sterling dump truck ordered in 2004 was finally delivered in March. The Road Agent has worked the “bugs” out of it and is now enjoying the comforts of a new truck. Percy Road and Molly Brook Road were both completed and paved this year making both roads smooth and easily traveled. Depending on financial means, we are hoping to continue upgrading and paving roads in town next year.

Flooding was problematic this year with one flood taking out a portion of the Northside Road. Emergency permits were completed by Dennis Croteau and sent to the Department of Environmental Services for approval before work could be performed on the river bank. The Department of Environmental Services has granted permission to the town to construct a rock vein to re-direct the river flow and to avoid further damage to the river bank and Northside Road. This project will be completed when water levels have subsided enough to get equipment needed to complete the job into the river.

The Gibson property has been renamed “Stark Heritage Center” and an open house was held in October. Plans are in the works for opening of the center in early summer. The restoration committee members volunteered many hours to see the completion of this project through and the Board of Selectmen would like to thank them for their commitment to restoring the building and making it a wonderful asset to the already historical village of Stark. Anyone wishing to donate historical artifacts for the center is encouraged to contact the Selectmen's Office.

The town has completed its “certification” process with the Department of Revenue Administration with a score of 87%. All records including current use, property cards, exemption and credit records and mapping were reviewed by the Department of Revenue for accuracy.

Another 20% of properties were randomly selected by the computer software for revaluation. These properties are looked at in the spring when Avitar does annual pick-ups and new construction reviews. This is the second year this process has been going and in 2009 all properties will have been revaluated. This is the most cost effective way to revalue property without having to do a total revaluation of property all in one year. Like 2004, the cost of this is \$ 13,700 per year with an additional \$ 5,000 when necessary to do a statistical update if state required numbers fall below accepted levels.

The Department of Revenue Administration requires that all properties be valued between 90 and 110% of fair market value. Stark was revaluated in 2002 which brought all properties to 100% or equal to the values that real estate was selling for. This year saw real estate values escalate by 47%. This required the town to complete a statistical update and sales analysis which was done by Avitar Associates, the town appraisal firm. A high majority of sales that occurred in 2003-2004 were waterfront properties selling for higher than assessed values causing the sales ratio to fall to 58%. The update is complete and the sales ratio for the town is back to 100%. While some of us may not agree with values placed on our homes, every tax payer is now paying their equal share of taxes based on the new assessments and every property in the Town of Stark is now assessed at 100% fair market value.

The tax rate went from \$ 26.62 to \$ 18.54 because when the town total valuation increases the tax rate goes down. The increase in tax

bills was caused by increased county tax commitment and for completion of the Percy Road and Molly Brook Road.

We would like to thank all employees of the Town of Stark, paid or volunteer for their continued dedication to excellence in their job performance. Stark is fortunate to have dedicated employees that make day to day operations of municipal government run smoothly and effectively.


Everett R. Frizzell, Chairman


James Eich

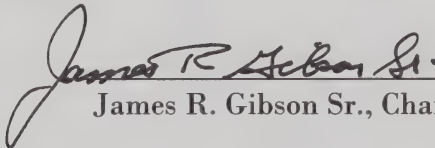

Albert Cloutier, Jr.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Planning Board members Jane Hopps, Sue Croteau, James Gibson, Jr., Maurice Hibbard, William Cowie, Albert Cloutier, Jr. and I were busy this year with a number of activities occurring:

1. Legal and estate issues from a pending 2004 subdivision for Faller Enterprises on Cold Springs Road was approved.
2. Harley Mason subdivision on Bell Hill Road approved.
3. Subdivision for John & Jill Lachance on South Pond Road approved.
4. Subdivision for Peter & Lauri Ripaldi on Stark Highway approved.
5. Subdivision for Norman & Albert Cloutier, Jr. on Northside Road.
6. Lot Line Adjustment for Wayne Montgomery on Montgomery Road approved.

I would like to thank the Board for their time and efforts in being members. A special thank you to Sue Croteau for her time and patience with us. It seems to be getting harder every year to get anyone to serve on the Planning Board as a volunteer. Anyone interested in serving on the Board is encouraged to contact the Selectmen's Office.


James R. Gibson Sr., Chairman

SEXTON'S REPORT

A brief summary of work and activities conducted during 2005 is as follows:

Sign, vault doors and stair rails in the Village Cemetery were repainted.

Mowing was required on the new section of Emerson Cemetery.

Monuments and markers on the westerly half of Emerson Cemetery were cleaned.

Eight lots in the Emerson Cemetery were sold.

Six burials were conducted this season.

Due to the favorable growing season, weekly mowing & trimming continued into late August.

Per your request, work was accomplished on Cemetery Trust Fund lots; 18 of 21 lots received improvements including stone straightening and acid solution cleaning, loam fill leveling and reseeding, turf treatment and stump/brush removal. The remaining 3 lots will be completed in 2006.

Proposed Projects

The wooden vault door adjacent to the church is deteriorated. The door will be rebuilt to match the original and the metal replacement hardware is being manufactured by hand to ensure the vault retains its historic look.

Stone monuments in the easterly half of the Emerson Cemetery will be cleaned to provide a much needed improvement.



Dennis A. Croteau
Sexton

DOG LICENSE LAWS

Every owner or keeper of a dog three months old or over shall annually, on or before April 30th, cause it to be licensed. (RSA 466:1).

Proof of rabies vaccination by a licensed veterinarian must be presented before a dog license will be issued.

Every dog must wear its license tag. (RSA 466:13).

A \$ 25.00 penalty will be assessed to the dog owner for failure to license any dog.
(RSA 466:13).

License Fees: (RSA 466:4)

\$ 20.00-Group License for up to 10 dogs.

\$ 6.50- Spayed or neutered

\$ 9.00- Male or Female

\$ 2.00- Owners over age 65 (one dog only)

The Town of Stark has an enforced leash law, which states that no dog shall run at large unless the owner accompanies it. (RSA 466:30a).

It is a State law that all cats 3 months of age and over be vaccinated against rabies.



Susan H. Croteau

Town Clerk/Municipal Agent

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

2005 was a good year for emergency management in that no major incidents occurred, but it was also a bad year in that support and funding from state and federal sources again amounted to nearly zero. We tried again for some grant money to buy radios but there was no reply.

Coös County became eligible for snow assistance money from the storm of February 10th and 11th and Stark received \$4,250. About half of this went toward buying radios for the new town truck and the backhoe and an attempted repair of the radio in the old plow truck. Public safety requires good radios in all of this equipment and we had tempted fate far too long hoping for some grant assistance to buy the radios. The rest of the money received went toward diesel fuel for this equipment, as the Road Agent was already over budget by June thanks to high energy prices.

Stark has finally completed both emergency management plans required by federal law as a requisite for state and federal assistance. After three years of work, the *All-Hazard Mitigation Plan* was approved by FEMA in June. And our local *Emergency Operations Plan* was approved by Concord in September of 2004. An enormous amount of time and effort by many people went into these plans because no one could show us just what was wanted. Nonetheless, both plans were done at no cost to Stark's taxpayers. Copies are on file at Town Hall and for any official who requests them. These are good and useful plans carefully tailored to our needs and capabilities. And the law now requires that we follow them or risk charges of negligence.

Another federal requirement was supposed to take effect on October 1st: the National Incident Management Systems (NIMS). Activities that each community was supposed to complete by then were to declare the jurisdiction NIMS compliant (which Stark has


done) and to certify each person who might be involved in an emergency response. I taught two NIMS certification classes at the Fire House in August. About half of those affected are now certified.

There are more NIMS activities required for 2006 and 2007, including compliance with a new *Federal Response Plan* that will require changes to our *Emergency Operations Plan*. We'll get to these activities as soon as there is guidance and direction from the state, so we don't spin our wheels again as with the two emergency plans. We will also push for grant money to cover the town's costs.

There are many possible disaster events that could affect Stark. And if we're all not well prepared, the impact could be very costly. A big disaster in our region or in the Northeast is not unimaginable. And if one does occur, we could be entirely on our own for weeks, possibly for months. Another conceivable disaster is a major flu outbreak where people may need to remain in their homes.

Emergency preparedness must begin in the home. Each household ought to be prepared to sustain itself for many days without any outside assistance. Given some of the reports I've seen, it might be months before any assistance is available or electrical power or communications can be restored. I urge every household to begin thinking about how you can sustain yourselves for a week or possibly much longer without electrical power, telephone, fuel or food available. There are good emergency preparedness instructions in the phone book on pages 44 and 45 of the Yellow Pages section. For more information, visit www.ready.gov and I have some helpful booklets for anyone interested.

I hope that 2006 will be another year without incident and that the money and guidance Stark needs will be forthcoming.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank Platt", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Franklin Platt, Director

STARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The majority of the 22 incidents that the department responded to this year were accidents. Three of these were auto accidents centering on the South Pond area of Route 110. It seems that every year we respond to a least one moose accident and this year was no exception. Please be on the look out for moose and go slower at night as moose are very hard to see in the night and often cannot be spotted until it is too late.

Another call was warranted when the driver of a vehicle swatted at a bee and ended up crossing the highway and going into a ditch and rolling over. An improperly defrosted windshield inhibited a driver from operating on the correct side of the road causing an accident that we also responded to. During the winter, take the extra time to clear all windows of snow and frost. The life you save may be your own. During inclement weather drive with head lights on so other motorist's coming toward you can see.

The Department responded to 8 motor vehicle/tractor trailer accidents, 3 snowmobile accidents, 2 of which we assisted Groveton Ambulance personnel carry patients to waiting ambulances. Other calls included a flooded oil furnace, electrical fire and fire alarm activation.

Out of town calls included mutual aid calls to Groveton, Stratford Hollow and Milan. We also responded to 2 fire calls to Dummer, a structure fire in Milan and a camper fire on Phillips Brook Road.

The Department of Homeland Security through the Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant awarded the Town of Stark two grants. The first one received is for \$ 250,000 for the purchase of a new pumper truck, of which the town's share will be \$ 24,981 or 10 percent. The second grant in the amount \$ 84,229 will be used to purchase safety gear and equipment. The town share of this grant will be \$ 4,211 or 5 percent.

The members of the Stark Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank Larry Buckland, a resident of Stark for taking the time to write these grants for us. Without his knowledge of grant writing, these grants would not have been possible. **Thank you Mr. Buckland!**

The department would also like to thank Jim Eich, Everett Frizzell and Albert Cloutier, Jr., the Board of Selectmen and Sue Croteau, Office Manager for all the help and support that they have given us and for all the extra work put in by them with grants and the changes that are taking place in the billing and payment processes. **Thank you for your support.**

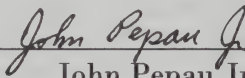
A number of different training classes were held throughout the year last year with numerous members attending:

1. Ice and water rescue training with Groveton Fire Department and Ambulance, put on by Dan Milligan of Groveton- 8 hours and 5 people attended.
2. Continuous training and RTP and State Practical for Recertification of EMT License- 75 hours and 1 person attended.
3. Extrication class using the “Jaws of Life” put on by Groveton Fire Department and Ambulance- 2 persons attended.
4. Computer temtsis run sheets training for Ambulance Corp.- 2 hours and 1 person attended.
5. Training with Groveton Fire Department and State Fire and Smoke Training- 6 persons attended.
6. Certified Fire Fighter Level One training. Course provided by a State Inspector and Chief Rick Eichler of Gorham Fire Department- 201 hours with 4 persons attended.
7. EMT training in Groveton-160 hours and 4 people attended.
8. Wardens and Deputy Forest Wardens annual training meeting held at the Wilderness Ski Area- 1 person attended.

As the above reflects, members are putting in a number of hours volunteering for training in order to better serve our community.

We sponsored the Stark Fiddlers' Contest again this year, attended some of the area parades with the fire apparatus, delivered the Annual Town Report and delivered the Groveton Community Fruit Baskets to residents in town.

During Fire Protection Week in October, some members of the fire department visited the Stark School and presented the children with literature on what to expect to see if they are ever in a situation where they may need assistance from the fire department. Children view the trucks and volunteers are dressed up in turn out gear with breathing apparatus. The children enjoy this yearly event and we hope they make their parents aware of some of the dangers that may be present in their own homes. Please install smoke alarms on each and every level of your home and locate them outside of bedroom doors. It is important that smoke alarms are checked periodically and batteries are replaced yearly. Children should be taught to leave a house when an alarm goes off and escape plans should be made. If any one would like to have a member of the fire department check out your home for possible fire hazards or to set up an escape plan for your family, please feel free to contact the fire department or a member. Members may be reached on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at 636-2848.



John Pepau Jr., Firefighter

**TOWN OF
STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**WARRANT
&
BUDGET**

FISCAL YEAR 2006

TOWN OF STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT
2006

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stark, Coos County and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stark Volunteer Fire Department in said Town on the second Tuesday in March, next March 14, 2006 to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. You are hereby warned that on said date and place the polls will be opened at 9:00 in the forenoon and will remain open until 7:00 in the afternoon for the reception of ballots under the Non-Partisan Ballot System.

ARTICLE # 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open.)

ARTICLE # 2: Do you want the position of Road Agent to be changed to being appointed by the Selectmen rather than elected by a popular vote, effective immediately? (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open.) (By petitioned warrant article)

ARTICLE # 3: Do you want the position of Constable to be changed to being appointed by the Selectmen rather than elected by a popular vote, effective immediately? (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open.) (By petitioned warrant article)

ARTICLE # 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 143,500 for General Government: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4130-EXECUTIVE	33,600
Payroll	22,500
Expenses	1,600
Office Expenses	9,500

4140-ELECTION,REGISTRATION	16,000
Payroll	11,700
Annual Report	2,200
Expenses	1,100
Office Expenses	1,000
4150-FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	16,700
Payroll	9,000
Auditors	5,500
Expenses	1,000
Office Expenses	1,200
4152-REVALUATION	17,300
Map Maintenance	800
Partial Revaluation	14,000
Software Support	2,500
4153-LEGAL	2,000
Services	2,000
4155-PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	14,000
WT/Medi/Retirement	13,500
Unemployment	500
4191-PLANNING & ZONING	500
Miscellaneous	500
4194-GENERAL GOVT BUILDINGS	9,500
Payroll	1,400
Expenses	300
Fire Code	600
Interior & Exterior	1,000
Maintenance	1,500
Utilities	4,700

4195-CEMETERIES	4,900
Payroll	4,000
Expenses	300
Maintenance	600

4196-INSURANCE	27,000
Health Insurance	13,000
Liability/Bonding	10,000
Worker's Compensation	4,000

4197-ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC	2,000
Advertising	1,100
North Country Council	600
Northern Gateway	300

ARTICLE # 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 25,125 for Public Safety. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4210-POLICE	8,250
Payroll	6,500
Expenses	1,000
Office Expenses	750

4215-AMBULANCE	5,400
Services	5,400

4220-FIRE DEPARTMENT	10,400
Payroll	2,000
Expenses	4,000
Mutual Aid	400
Physicals/Background Checks	500
Utilities	3,500

4290-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	500
Expenses	500

4299-OTHER SAFETY	575
Lancaster Juvenile Diversion Program	275
Safety	300

ARTICLE # 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 147,750 for Highways & Streets: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4312-HIGHWAYS	147,750
Payroll	38,500
Chloride	3,800
Cold Patch	1,600
Expenses	250
Grading	5,000
Maintenance	18,000
Mowing	3,600
Reconstruction	60,000
Sand & Salt	10,000
Signs	1,000
Town Garage Addition	1,500
Utilities	4,500

ARTICLE # 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 77,600 for Sanitation: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4324-SOLID WASTE	49,400
Payroll	13,500
District Costs	30,000
Expenses	600
Maintenance	4,000
Utilities	1,300
4325-SOLID WASTE CLEAN-UP	28,200
Bond/Loan Fees	22,100
Monitoring	6,100

ARTICLE # 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 4,875 for Health: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4415-HEALTH AGENCIES	2,700
Health Officer	75
Northern Human Services	125
Weeks Home Health	2,500

4419-OTHER HEALTH	2,175
American Red Cross	225
Community Action Program	800
Groveton High School Chem Free	450
Meals on Wheels	700

ARTICLE # 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,000 for Direct Assistance. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4442-WELFARE	3,000
Direct Assistance	3,000

ARTICLE # 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,500 for Culture & Recreation: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4550-LIBRARY	500
Library	500
4583-PATRIOTIC	2,000
Patriotic	1,500
Groveton Community Christmas	500

ARTICLE # 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 37,445 for Debt Services: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4711-PRINCIPAL LONG TERM BONDS	25,000
Bridge Bond	10,000
Fire Department Bond	15,000
4721-INTEREST LONG TERM BONDS	7,945
Bridge Bond	955

Fire Department Bond	6,990
4723-INTEREST ON T.A.N.	4,500
Tax Anticipation Note	4,500

ARTICLE # 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 15,300 for Interfund Operating Transfers Out: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4915-CAPITAL RESERVES	14,300
Backhoe	3,000
Bridge	5,000
Compactor	1,000
Dump Closure	100
Fire Department Building	100
Fire Department Equipment	100
Town Truck	5,000
4916-TRANSFERS TO TRUST	1,000
Discount	1,000

ARTICLE # 13: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 154:24, Outside Service by Local Fire Department: Any city, town or fire district may authorize their respective fire department to go to the aid of another city, village or fire district within or without the state, for the purpose of extinguishing a fire, rendering other emergency assistance or performing any detail as requested. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE # 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of the purchase of a 2006 Spartan Fire Pumper and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 20,000 to be placed in this fund and to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE #15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 250,000 for the purchase of a 2006 Spartan Fire Pumper and related equipment. Said funds to come from the following sources:

(a) \$ 225,000 from approved Homeland Security Grant; (b) \$ 20,000 from Capital Reserves Fire Department Truck Fund; (c) \$ 4,000 from Capital Reserves Fire Department Equipment Fund and (d) \$ 1,000 from Fire Department Expendable Trust Fund; and to further authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend monies from such said grant. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE # 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 84,229 for the purchase of personal protective gear and equipment for fire fighters. Said funds to come from the following sources: (a) \$ 80,018 from approved Homeland Security Grant and (b) \$ 4,211 to come from Capital Reserves Fire Department Equipment Fund; and to further authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend monies from such said grant. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE # 17: To see if the Town will vote to give a 5% discount on property taxes if paid within 14 days after tax bills have been presented. (Not recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE # 18: To transact any and all other business that may lawfully come before this meeting

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:


Everett R. Frizzell, Chairman


James Eich


Albert Cloutier, Jr.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: STARK

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): FEBRUARY 15, 2006

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

EVERETT R. FRIZZELL

JAMES EICH

ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR.

Everett R. Frizzell
James Eich
Albert Cloutier, Jr.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
 MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
 P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
 (603)271-3397

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	4	33,100	32,049	33,600	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	4	14,300	11,217	16,000	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	4	18,100	19,755	16,700	
4152	Revaluation of Property	4	17,700	17,119	17,300	
4153	Legal Expense	4	2,000	966	2,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	4	14,000	10,173	14,000	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	4	500	328	500	
4194	General Government Buildings	4	13,500	10,064	9,500	
4195	Cemeteries	4	4,500	4,497	4,900	
4196	Insurance	4	29,200	23,902	27,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	4	2,250	1,598	2,000	
4199	Other General Government		3,500	0	0	
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	5	8,250	3,660	8,250	
4215-4219	Ambulance	5	5,200	5,200	5,400	
4220-4229	Fire	5	13,300	13,389	10,400	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4298	Emergency Management	5	500	372	500	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)	5	575	275	575	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration					
4312	Highways & Streets	6	192,250	193,731	147,750	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting					
4319	Other					
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	7	44,600	43,261	49,400	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	7	29,200	36,493	28,200	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration					
4414	Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	8	4,575	4,575	4,875	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	9	2,200	1,789	3,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation					
4550-4559	Library	10	500	500	500	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	10	2,000	2,210	2,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources					
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	11	25,000	25,000	25,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	11	9,185	9,184	7,945	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	11	4,500	0	4,500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	12	18,200	18,200	14,300	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917	12	1,000	1,000	1,000	
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
SUBTOTAL 1			513,685	490,507	457,095	

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

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	C.R.FIRE DEPT TRUCK	14			20,000	
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	FIRE PUMPER	15			250,000	
	PROTECTIVE GEAR	16			84,229	
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	334,229	XXXXXXXXXX

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		1,600	1,590	1,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		1,500	2,227	1,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		26,008	26,582	26,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		19,000	7,754	12,000
	Inventory Penalties		100	0	100
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		4,300	4,302	4,300
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		300	237	300
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		62,000	84,372	70,000
3230	Building Permits				
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		1,500	1,538	1,500
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	15-16			305,018
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		3,369	5,596	4,500
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		19,257	19,257	19,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		38,347	56,406	48,305
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		5,000	0	5,000
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		4,068	4,068	4,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		4,000	4,458	4,000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		1,175	1,293	1,000
3502	Interest on Investments		2,500	3,599	3,000
3503-3509	Other				

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	15-16	0	84,249	28,211
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds	15	0	0	1,000
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			194,024	307,528	539,734

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	490,507	457,095
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	20,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	334,229
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	513,685	811,324
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	307,528	539,734
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	206,157	271,590

TOWN MEETING NOTES

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, NH

Year Ending December 31, 2005

Date	Name of Child	Father's Name	Mother's Name	Place of Birth
02/10/05	Brady Joseph Boivin	Dennis Boivin	Danielle Boivin	Lancaster, NH
05/15/05	Jacob Jonathan Jewell	Jarrad Jewell	Kelly Jewell	Littleton, NH
08/03/05	Jacey Lee Marie Benway	Jeffrey Normand	Janet Benway	Lancaster, NH
10/31/05	Keanna Crystal Lorraine Fysh	Clifton Fysh	Jamie Fysh	Littleton, NH

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, NH

Year Ending December 31, 2005

Date	Deceased	Father's Name	Mother's Name	Place of Death
01/07/05	John Viator	John Viator	Evelyn MacDonald	Stark, NH
02/26/05	Francis Hopps, Jr.	Francis Hopps	Blanche Woods	Stark, NH
04/26/05	Jacqueline Woods	Leo York	Avis Small	Lancaster, NH
06/30/05	Richard Daley	Victor Daley	Emily Ferreria	Lancaster, NH
09/14/05	Leslie Beaudoin	Leopold Beaudoin	Rose Fox	Lancaster, NH
10/05/05	Rollin Simino	Frank Simino	Gertrude Friend	Woodsville, NH
12/09/05	Lawrence Kneeland	Vern Kneeland	Mary Festo	Lancaster, NH

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


 Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, NH

Year Ending December 31, 2005

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom & Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>
04/01/01	Douglas John Tisdale Wendy Faye Stuart	Groveton, NH Groveton, NH	Stark, NH
05/03/05	Maurice J. Boivin Barbara J. Bock	Stark, NH Stark, NH	Stark, NH
07/09/05	Russell C. Bell Kendra J. Cantin	Stark, NH Stark, NH	Stark, NH
07/30/05	Ricky John Cloutier, II Elicia Marie Reitsma	Stark, NH Stark, NH	Stark, NH
09/17/05	Joshua Duane Meunier Sabrina Onofrio-Tibbetts	Stark, NH Stark, NH	Stark, NH
12/31/2005	Richard James Narducci Ashley Denise Croteau	Groveton, NH Groveton, NH	Stark, NH

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Susan H. Croteau
Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk

REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT ONE

As one of your elected public servants, I am honored to report to you in my role as Executive Councilor for District One.

My Constitutional and legal responsibilities while serving in this position parallel those of a Board of Directors. We administer state law and budgets passed by the NH House and Senate. We also must comply with federal laws and regulations when we accept federal programs, projects and grants.

One responsibility of the Governor and Council is to seek citizens willing to serve on the state volunteer boards and commissions. It is important that your region be well represented. If you are interested in serving on a board or commission, please send your letter of interest and resume to my office or directly to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301, Tel. (603)271-2121. Visit the Secretary of State's website to see what is available or open: www.sos.nh.gov/redbook.index.htm

Sources of information from my office to you include:

The New Hampshire Constitution

Official NH Highway Map

Organizational Chart of NH State Government

NH Political Calendar 2006-2007

NH Executive Council brochure

Listing of toll-free numbers for resources and information.

Effective email/website source includes:

www.nh.gov for all state agencies, executive, legislative, state personnel, licensing boards, and much more.

www.nh.gov/council includes duties, minutes of meetings, agendas for upcoming meetings and the history of the Executive Council.

bcheney@nheom.state.nh.us Bruce Cheney, Bureau Chief all emergency management matters.

www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/ All NH House Members email addresses.

www.gencourt.state.nh.us/senate/members All NH State Senate Members email addresses.

I am always available to assist you and your region in solving issues and concerns of importance to you.

It is a pleasure to serve District One.

Raymond S. Burton
Executive Councilor

**WEEKS MEDICAL CENTER
DARTMOUTH-HITCHCOCK
HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE SERVICES**

Weeks Medical Center-Home Health and Hospice is grateful for the opportunity to serve the residents of Stark and greatly appreciates your continued support and confidence. Town funding is critically important and is used to assist families and individuals who are unable to pay for Home Health and Hospice Services and to support care where funding does not cover direct costs.

Our Home Health and Hospice Services continue to provide Stark residents with a wide range of services. Weeks Home Health and Hospice provides continuity of health care from the hospital to patients' homes. Services include skilled nursing; physical, occupational and speech therapies; certified home health aides; homemakers; medical social services; intravenous therapies and care to the terminally ill.

Our Medicare Certified Hospice program continues to provide excellent palliative care to the terminally ill. Weeks Hospice is a special kind of holistic care...focusing on the emotional and spiritual needs of the family, as well as the physical needs of the patient at the end of life. No one is refused care based on an inability to pay. Over the last year, an increasing number of hospice patients received care, support and love from our nurses, aides and volunteers. To celebrate their memory, a luminary service was held and many residents from area towns were in attendance.

Thank you for continuing support and confidence.

NORTHERN HUMAN SERVICES

2005 Fact Sheet

THE MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Northern Human Services, The Mental Health Center has provided the people of northern New Hampshire and bordering communities in Vermont with quality services for over 30 years. We provide mental health emergency services 24 hours a day, counseling, evaluations, drug and alcohol treatment, consultation, education, medication evaluations and treatment, community outreach, and prevention services. We also provide supportive housing services to individuals with disabilities, enabling them to live as independently as possible in their local community. The services we provide are confidential.

As a private non-profit agency, we are dependent on fees for services, grants and appropriations from the communities we serve. Insurance plans cover most of our services. It is our policy to not let an inability to pay prevent someone from obtaining the services they require. Sliding fee arrangements are available. As a result, our collection rate is only about 50%.

VERSHIRE CENTER

Northern Human Services, Vershire Center has provided vocational and social training as well as support to individuals with a variety of disabilities for more than 30 years. Over 60 individuals from the local geographic area benefit from our services. Over 50 community employers across our service area work closely with the Center to provide meaningful paid and volunteer work, as well as social opportunities to the individuals we serve.

The individuals we serve reside in Errol, Northumberland, Pittsburg, bordering Vermont communities, and all points in-between. Hundreds of miles of transportation services are required each day.

TOWN DONATIONS: Vershire Center & The Mental Health Center

The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2002: \$ 125.00

The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2003: \$ 125.00

The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2004: \$ 125.00

The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2005: \$ 125.00

The amount requested from the Town of Stark in 2006: \$ 125.00

We deeply appreciate the ongoing support that we have received from the citizens of Stark. Your appropriations help insure the continued availability of quality services to the residents of your community who experience mental health and / or developmental impairments.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Cotton, LICSW
Area Director
237-4955

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

I would like to thank all of you for your support of the council this past year. We have made a number of positive changes and completed a number of projects throughout the region. Once again we reaffirmed the Council's commitment to serve community and regional needs.

Over the past year we have continued to deliver planning services throughout the region as you will see in this report. We have and we will continue to adjust our capacities to respond to the needs of the communities and I think you will see this in the programs that we will be introducing in the coming years. We continued our strong relationship with the Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Administration (EDA) in bringing funding and project development to the region. The Mount Washington Valley Technology Village and the Dartmouth Region Technology Center are two projects that are being implemented with funding provided by EDA. We have begun a Community Outreach program targeted at helping our planning boards with the difficult tasks of managing the planning activities in their communities. We have entered into an agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to do site assessments in our communities under the National Brownfields program. We are also very hopeful that the region will receive a Heritage Grant from the National Preservation Alliance to promote Heritage Tourism in our region. These programs as well as all the traditional programs in master planning, solid waste management, grant writing, natural resource planning and transportation planning will continue to be the focus of North Country Council. Please take the time to look over this annual report and give us some

feedback as to where you think the council could improve and how we might better serve our communities.

Again, thank you for all of your support for the council. I hope that my staff and I can continue to be of service to your community. The Council is here to serve you. It is your organization. Our staff and Board are committed to responding to community need. If there is a project or a need in your town, please call us. We are dedicated to both supporting our individual towns and promoting regional unity in the North Country.

Respectfully submitted;

Michael King
Executive Director

**ANDROSCOGGIN VALLEY REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL
DISTRICT
2005 ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT ACTIVITIES**

The AVRDD 2005 Budget apportionment for our member municipalities totaled \$885,491. A surplus of \$521,057.64 from the 2004 budget was used to reduce apportionments with a net budget of \$364,433.36 being billed to the member municipalities. The proportionate share of the credit for the Town of Stark was \$7,401.88 reducing your gross apportionment of \$12,308.67 to \$4,906.79. Preliminary reconciliation of the 2005 budget shows a surplus of approximately \$323,230 being available to credit toward 2006 apportionments.

Our Materials Recycling Facility marketed a total of 1,833 tons of recyclables for the calendar year 2005 representing \$113,617.56 of marketing revenue to the District. A new - used oil furnace as well as a new horizontal baler were purchased for the Recycling Facility, replacing the original units that were installed in 1991.

For calendar year 2005, our Transfer Station received 3,414 deliveries from District residents for a total of 985.46 tons of bulky waste and construction and demolition debris. In addition, our 172 commercial accounts delivered 828.90 tons of construction and demolition debris and bulky waste and 256.60 tons of wood. Recycling at the Transfer Station consisted of 1,208.68 tons of wood that was processed through a grinder; 564 gross tons of scrap metal and 250.51 tons of brush which was chipped with the District owned chipper. In addition, 623 propane tanks; 10,576 ft of fluorescent lights; 219 lbs of ballasts; 15 HID lights; 472 refrigerator/air conditioner units and 5,015 tires were received. Transfer station revenue from all sources totaled \$90,480.

During 2005, the District developed a wetland mitigation plan and commenced site work to expand the working area on our original 11 acres at the Materials Recycling Facility and Transfer Station. Of the 40 additional acres purchased in late December 2004, adjacent to the facility, approximately

10 acres have been designated for future development and approximately 30 acres have been placed into a conservation easement.

Election of officers was held at the District Annual Meeting in April 2005: Raymond Chagnon of Berlin was re-elected District Chairman; Clara Grover of Errol was re-elected Vice Chairman and Earl Wadsworth of Dummer was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. Other District Representatives are: Yves Zornio of Gorham; Richard Lamontagne of Milan; David Tomlinson of Randolph; Linda Cushman of Jefferson; Paul Grenier for the Coos County Unincorporated Places; Lorna Aldrich of Northumberland and George Bennett of Stark.

In June, the District conducted its fourteenth annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. The collection was held at the District Transfer Station with 239 households participating. The project was funded through the District Household Hazardous Waste Fund, with an assessment of one dollar (\$1) per capita to the District communities. In addition, a grant from the State of New Hampshire reimbursed the District at eighteen and one-half cents (\$.185) per capita. The next Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held Saturday, June 3, 2006.

2005 marked the third successful year of operations for the AVRRDD - Mt. Carberry Landfill. In 2005, an additional 2,515 acres of land adjacent to the Mt. Carberry Landfill in Success was purchased. This land will serve as a buffer and will also provide sand and gravel deposits for the landfill. Since purchasing the landfill in December 2002, no assessments have been made to the District municipalities for Mt. Carberry Landfill operations, with income raised through landfill tipping fees covering operating expenses. Any landfill funds remaining at the end of the year are held in reserve, by the District, to pay for Mt. Carberry operating and capital expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon E. Gauthier
Executive Director

NORTHERN GATEWAY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Northern Gateway Chamber of Commerce continues to provide a vital link between visitors, residents and area businesses. Our website www.notherngatewaychamber.org receives over 5,000 visitors a month.

We publish the Gateway to the Great Northwoods, a 30 page publication designed to draw tourists to our area. Your Chamber distributes 50,000 Gateway magazines throughout New England to welcome centers, hotels, dining and recreational establishments and is also available on our web page.

Our Relocation guide is in constant demand and provides new residents and businesses with a comprehensive guide to the goods and services available in our area. Requests for our Relocation Guide have come from all over the country by people considering relocation in our area.

Our strength is in number with members from Lancaster, Jefferson, Whitefield, Groveton, Dalton, Northumberland, Stark, Stratford and Randolph, New Hampshire and Gilman, Guildhall and Lunenburg, Vermont.

The Gift Certificate program enjoys great success within our communities and keeps local dollars coming to our local business members.

Our funding comes from membership dues, fundraising activities and town appropriations. Continued support through these resources ensures that we are able to market and therefore grow our local businesses. As always, we thank the local businesses and residents for their support.

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department of DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2217, or online at www.nhdf.org.

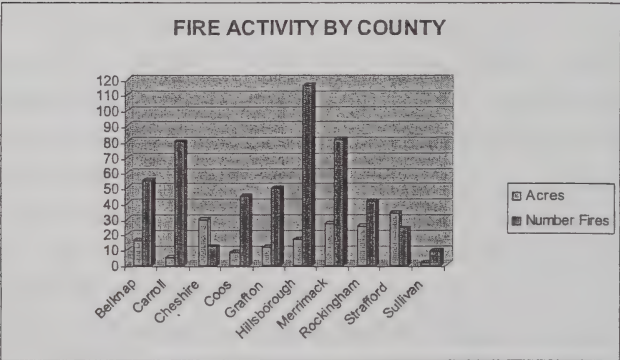
Fire activity was high during the first several weeks of the 2005 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in the southern and central portions of the state. This period of increased initial attack activity prompted a 5-day ban on open burning, the first such ban in several years. Despite the dry conditions, the state's largest wildland fire was contained at 29 acres. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping the fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wildland urban interface damaged 10 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just tree. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space

around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

CAUSES OF FIRE REPORTED			Total Fires	Total Acres
Arson	2	2005	513	174
Campfire	34	2004	482	147
Children	29	2003	374	100
Smoking	40	2002	540	187
Debris	284			
Railroad	1			
Equipment	7			
Lightning	5			
Misc.*	111 (Misc*: power line, fireworks, electric fences,etc)			

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

2005 FIRE STATISTICS
(All fires reported as of November 4, 2005)



**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF
STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2005**

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

School District of Stark

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Organization/Administration 2005-2006

School Board

Term Expires

Michelle Randall, Chairperson

2006

Cindy Boivin

2007

Jane Hopps

2008

Superintendent of Schools

Sherwood W. Fluery – Tel. 636-1437

Tammy Talotta, Business Manager

Frederick Bailey, Administrative/Curriculum Coordinator

Carol Frizzell, Curriculum & Grants Coordinator

Robert Butson, Foreign Language Grant Coordinator

Kim McDade, Transportation Coordinator & Accounts Payable

Carrie Irving, Secretary

Patricia Brown, Payroll & Human Resource

Stark Village School

Charles Witters, Jr. – Teaching Principal/Student Services Coordinator

Janice Oakes – Part-time Secretary

Kelly Jewell – Special Education & Kindergarten

Sharyl Graham – Grades 1 & 2

Nancy Spaulding – Grades 3 & 4

James Eich – Computer Tech. Aide

Jennifer Chauvette, Paraprofessional

Judith Fortier, Cafeteria

Bradley Ball, Custodian

Cheryl Cloutier – Part-time Art

Tabitha Paquette, Part-time Music

Dorothy Meunier, RN – Part-time Nurse

Mary Eliason – Part-time Guidance Counselor

Kami Whiting – Part-time Speech Pathologist

Treasurer

Susan Croteau

Clerk

Susan Croteau

Moderator

William Joyce

SCHOOL WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District of Stark, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stark Fire Station in said District on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The polls will be opened at said place and date from 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon for the reception of your ballots under the non-partisan ballot system. Polls will not close before 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

1. To choose by non-partisan ballot the following District officers for the ensuing year: a District clerk, a District treasurer, a District moderator; and one member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at Stark this 16th day of February, 2006.

Michelle M Randall
Michelle Randall, Chairperson

SCHOOL
BOARD

Cindy Boivin
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Jane Hopps
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A True Copy of Warrant – Attest:

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SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of Stark, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stark Fire Station in said District on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The matters of appropriations and such other business properly coming before said meeting will be taken up for your consideration and action.

1. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen and any vote relating thereto.

2. To set the salaries of school district officials:

School Board Members	3 @ \$850.00 each	\$2,550.00
Treasurer		600.00
Board Secretary	\$50.00 per meeting	600.00
Clerk		55.00
Moderator		55.00
Police		55.00
Supervisors of the Checklist	3 @ \$25.00 each	75.00
Ballot Clerks	2 @ \$40.00 each	80.00

(Recommended by the School Board)

3. Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 198:20-b providing that any school district at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the school board to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the school district, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year? (Recommended by the School Board).
4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Six Dollars (\$1,017,896.00) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District. (Recommended by the School Board)
5. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate *up to* Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, with such amount to be funded from June 30 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1. (Recommended by the School Board)

6. To see if the district meeting will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for expenses of the School Board for the purposes of: 1) investigating the feasibility of the Stark School District leaving SAU58 and forming it's own Supervisory School District or joining another town for that purpose, and 2) visiting other small schools to gather information that would be helpful to the Stark Village School and/or the School Board (By Petition).
7. Do you want to tuition out all of the Stark school children to area schools, beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, as a cost saving measure? (By Petition)
8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

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STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2005

ASSETS	GENERAL	FOOD SERVICE	ALL OTHER	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST FUNDS
Current Assets					
CASH	44,967.96				98,364.12
INVESTMENTS					
ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE					
INTERFUND RECEIVABLE	4,298.25	2,590.80	11,279.59		
INTERGOVT RECEIVABLE					
OTHER RECEIVABLES	141,424.16	4,298.25			
BOND PROCEEDS RECEIVABLE					
INVENTORIES					
PREPAID EXPENSES					
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS					
Total Current Assets	190,690.37	6,889.05	11,279.59	0.00	98,364.12
LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY					
Current Liabilities					
INTERFUND PAYABLES	13,870.39	4,298.25			
INTERGOVT PAYABLES					
OTHER PAYABLES	146,478.41	2,590.80			
CONTRACTS PAYABLE					
LOAN & INTEREST PAYABLE					
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS					
DEFERRED REVENUES	-557.72		11,279.59		
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Total Liabilities	159,791.08	6,889.05	11,279.59	0.00	0.00
FUND EQUITY					
RESERVE FOR INVENTORIES					
RESERVE FOR PREPAID EXPENSES					
RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES					
RESERVE FOR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS					98,364.12
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	30,899.39				
Total Fund Equity	30,899.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	98,364.12
TOTAL LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY	190,690.47	6,889.05	11,279.59	0.00	98,364.12

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	SALARIES	BENEFITS	PURCHASED	SUPPLIES	PROPERTY	OTHER	TOTAL
Instruction							
REGULAR PROGRAMS	150,556.79	57,975.49	390,359.33	3,610.06			602,501.67
SPECIAL PROGRAMS	22,811.99	6,311.85	69,940.97	644.76			99,709.57
VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS							0.00
OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS							805.56
Support Services			605.00	200.56			
STUDENT							
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF			12,416.62	570.07			12,986.69
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	4,294.92	328.58	2,705.18	1,351.61			8,680.29
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	4,120.00	315.20	79,783.10			1,912.03	86,130.33
OPERATION/MAINTENANCE	18,645.12	3,554.41	458.75	235.68		590.00	23,483.96
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	10,745.50	885.17	11,715.19	12,711.72			36,057.58
Other Outlays	11,273.04	939.46	18,193.13	2,777.12			33,182.75
FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONST.							0.00
DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL							0.00
DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST							0.00
Fund Transfers							0.00
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS						16,922.38	16,922.38
TRANSFER TO FOOD SERVICE						19,424.41	19,424.41
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	222,447.36	70,310.16	586,177.27	22,101.58	0.00		920,460.78

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2005

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	FOOD SERVICE	TRUST FUND
LOCAL REVENUE:				
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	504,337.00			
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	13.86			1,630.19
OTHER LOCAL REVENUE	110.27			
FOOD SERVICE SALES			3,793.42	
TOTAL LOCAL	504,461.13	0.00	3,793.42	1,630.19
STATE REVENUE:				
ADEQUACY AID (GRANT)	301,874.00			
ADEQUACY AID (STATE TAX)	88,829.00			
CHILD NUTRITION			211.15	
CATASTROPHIC AID				
TOTAL STATE	390,703.00	0.00	211.15	0.00
FEDERAL REVENUE:				
CHILD NUTRITION			5,865.30	
MEDICAID DISTRIBUTIONS	2,588.73			
DISABILITIES PROGRAMS	14,619.52			
OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS		45,647.05		
FEDERAL FOREST LAND	6,112.13			
TOTAL FEDERAL	23,320.38	45,647.05	5,865.30	0.00
TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND	0.00	0.00	16,922.38	0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	918,484.51	45,647.05	26,792.25	1,630.19

**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION
PROGRAMS & SERVICES**

	<u>2003/2004</u>	<u>2004/2005</u>
Expenditures:	103,436.01	103,593.88
Revenues:		
Individuals with Disabilities Act (94-142)	14,944.00	14,619.52
Medicaid Funds:	1,222.20	2,588.76
Adequacy Allocation:	<u>51,867.00</u>	<u>51,867.00</u>
Total Revenues:	68,033.20	69,075.28
NET SPECIAL EDUCATION COST:	35,402.81	34,518.60

Vendor Name	Amount
ACADEMIC COMMUNICATION ASSOCIATES	\$ 70.40
ALPHA SMART, INC.	\$ 205.00
AL'S PLUMBING & HEATING	\$ 5,539.95
AMERIGAS	\$ 644.84
ARTS ALLIANCE OF NORTHERN	\$ 2,200.00
BEATON, JOYA	\$ 840.00
BERLIN WATER WORKS	\$ 80.00
BROADVIEW NP ACQUISITION	\$ 250.47
CALEDONIAN RECORD	\$ 400.36
CHAUVETTE, JENNIFER	\$ 1,031.65
CLASSROOMDIRECT.COM	\$ 141.55
COLOR WORKS, INC	\$ 1,988.18
CROTEAU, DONALD	\$ 457.00
CROTEAU, SUSAN H.	\$ 71.40
CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES	\$ 560.01
DELL MARKETING L.P.	\$ 1,111.00
DESKTEK GROUP INC, THE	\$ 1,098.95
EMERSON & SON	\$ 485.54
EVERETT & DAVID REXFOR CONSTRUCTION	\$ 300.00
FIRST STUDENT, INC.	\$ 17,169.00
FOLLETT LIBRARY RESOURCES	\$ 21,142.49
GALLOPADE INTERNATIONAL	\$ 65.00
GIG PRESS	\$ 122.85
GOPHER SPORTS EQUIPMENT	\$ 179.66
GRAHAM, SHARYL	\$ 60.00
GROVETON PHARMACY	\$ 58.86
HARCOURT EDUCATION	\$ 251.79
HARTFORD, THE	\$ 707.25
HOUGHTON MIFFLIN COMPANY	\$ 44.05
HP HOOD LLC	\$ 2,356.65
HUNTER SCHOOL, THE	\$ 43,154.91
INLAND DIVERS, INC.	\$ 61.75
INTERSTATE FIRE PROTECTION	\$ 340.00
J.W. PEPPER	\$ 213.89
JEWELL, JUDITH	\$ 339.60
JORDAN ASSOCIATES	\$ 579.44
KC RENTAL SERVICES	\$ 150.00
KENCO, INC.	\$ 1,740.86
KIPP ALARM SERVICE	\$ 685.00
LGC HEALTH TRUST	\$ 50,262.25
LYNDONVILLE OFFICE EQUIP	\$ 1,349.44
McCORMACK, MARGARET K.	\$ 57.20
MCINTIRE BUSINESS PRODUCT	\$ 172.95
MEUNIER, DOROTHY	\$ 71.40
MOORE MEDICAL CORP.	\$ 88.00
MORNEAU, RENNY E.	\$ 500.00
MULTI-STATE BILLING	\$ 221.56
MUNCE'S SUPERIOR, INC.	\$ 3,253.47
MUSIC IN MOTION	\$ 50.25

NASCO	\$ 286.72
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS	\$ 14.95
NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL	\$ 1,026.00
NEWS & SENTINEL	\$ 484.66
NH DEPT OF ENVIR. SERVICE	\$ 7.00
NH RETIREMENT SYSTEM	\$ 7,215.48
NH School Boards Association (NHSBA)	\$ 1,912.03
NHASP-NH ASSOC OF SCHOOL PRINCIPALS	\$ 590.00
North Country Education Services (NCES)	\$ 13,086.66
NORTHUMBERLAND SCHOOL DIS	\$ 409,900.44
OAKES, BRUCE	\$ 252.66
OAKES, JANICE S.	\$ 81.90
ORIENTAL TRADING	\$ 20.90
ORIGINAL CRISPY PIZZA OF BOSTON, INC	\$ 2,448.80
PARENT INFORMATION CENTER	\$ 270.00
PARENT INSTITUTE, THE	\$ 195.00
PEARSON EDUCATION, INC.	\$ 601.14
PERRAS ACE, INC	\$ 17.06
PLODZIK & SANDERSON	\$ 2,696.00
PORTER OFFICE MACHINES	\$ 1,210.40
POTTER, RANDY	\$ 15.78
PRIMEX	\$ 4,129.35
PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF NH	\$ 4,354.58
R.E.A.L. Lighting & Supply	\$ 49.50
READ NATURALLY	\$ 1,009.80
RESTAURANT NEWS	\$ 39.95
RFB&D	\$ 35.00
ROBERGE, MANDY ANN	\$ 331.20
SALMON PRESS	\$ 616.90
SAU #58	\$ 72,366.74
SCHOLASTIC, INC	\$ 133.65
SCHOOL NURSE SUPPLY INC.	\$ 228.21
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	\$ 51.04
SCOTT FORESMAN	\$ 772.03
SHAW'S SUPERMARKETS	\$ 1,192.12
SOPRIS WEST EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	\$ 500.50
SPAULDING, NANCY	\$ 76.80
STAFF DEVELOPMENT FOR EDUCATORS	\$ 2,217.90
STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL	\$ 1,309.65
STATE OF NH - MV	\$ 20.00
STECK-VAUGHN COMPANY	\$ 66.87
SUPER DUPER PUBLICATIONS	\$ 227.81
SURPLUS DISTRIBUTION SEC	\$ 688.89
SYSCO FOOD SERVICE	\$ 2,541.15
TIME FOR KIDS	\$ 146.02
ULTRAMAR ENERGY, INC.	\$ 4,586.03
VAC SHOP	\$ 151.85
VERIZON	\$ 1,574.85
VERMONT DEPT. OF TAXES	\$ 1,212.32
VILLAGE BOOK STORE	\$ 545.34
WEEKS MEDICAL CENTER	\$ 20.00
WESTJAM ENTERPRISES, INC	\$ 297.00

WHITE MOUNTAIN MULCH PROD	\$	234.00
WITTERS, CHARLES	\$	103.80
WOLKINS - EARLY DECISION	\$	416.35
ZANER BLOSER	\$	115.87
105 Vendors Listed.	\$	707,622.52

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STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPARATIVE BUDGETS			
2/16/2006	2005/2006	2005/2006	
	PROPOSED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
REGULAR INSTRUCTION			
SALARIES	\$ 150,204.50	\$ 112,347.79	\$ (37,856.71)
SALARY-PARAPROFESSIONALS	\$ 3,969.00	\$ -	\$ (3,969.00)
SALARIES-SUBSTITUTES	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 36,358.12	\$ 22,163.47	\$ (14,194.65)
LIFE & DISABILITY	\$ 867.64	\$ 880.61	\$ 12.97
FICA	\$ 11,794.29	\$ 8,594.56	\$ (3,199.73)
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	\$ 270.29	\$ -	\$ (270.29)
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT	\$ 5,363.31	\$ 4,056.95	\$ (1,306.36)
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 119.89	\$ 73.04	\$ (46.85)
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 986.71	\$ 662.86	\$ (323.85)
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE			\$ -
COPIER RENTAL	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (300.00)
TUITION/PUBLIC-ELEM.	\$ 139,712.00	\$ 129,545.00	\$ (10,167.00)
TUITION/PUBLIC-HIGH SCHOOL	\$ 320,383.00	\$ 382,200.00	\$ 61,817.00
SUPPLIES	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,080.00	\$ (920.00)
TEXTBOOKS/PERIODICAL	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 250.00
INTERNET FILTER SOFTWARE			\$ -
ALTERNATE EDUCATION	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
TOTAL	\$ 683,078.75	\$ 674,604.28	\$ (8,474.47)
SPECIAL EDUCATION			
SALARIES	\$ 15,200.00	\$ 15,700.00	\$ 500.00
SALARY-PARAPROFESSIONALS	\$ 20,661.00	\$ -	\$ (20,661.00)
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 5,672.00	\$ 5,973.97	\$ 301.97
LIFE & DISABILITY	\$ 112.86	\$ 107.73	\$ (5.13)
FICA	\$ 2,743.27	\$ 1,201.05	\$ (1,542.22)
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	\$ 630.67	\$ -	\$ (630.67)
TEACHER'S RETIRMENT	\$ 562.40	\$ 580.90	\$ 18.50
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 68.80	\$ 12.00	\$ (56.80)
WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE	\$ 237.55	\$ 92.63	\$ (144.92)
OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -
TUITION-PRIVATE		\$ 26,321.00	\$ 26,321.00
TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ 275.00	\$ 160.00	\$ (115.00)
SPED SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 66,463.55	\$ 70,449.28	\$ 3,985.73

2/16/2006	2005/2006	2005/2006	
	PROPOSED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
CO-CURRICULAR/OTHER INST.			
SUPPLIES	\$ 93.50	\$ 50.00	\$ (43.50)
OTHER PROFESSIONAL-ASSEMBLY	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -
DUES & FEES	\$ 575.00	\$ -	\$ (575.00)
TOTAL	\$ 1,118.50	\$ 500.00	\$ (618.50)
GUIDANCE			
OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 7,650.00	\$ (7,100.00)
SUPPLIES	\$ 214.50	\$ 214.50	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 14,964.50	\$ 7,864.50	\$ (7,100.00)
HEALTH			
OTHER PROF-TECHNICAL	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -
TRAVEL	\$ 125.00	\$ 100.00	\$ (25.00)
SUPPLIES	\$ 300.00	\$ 200.00	\$ (100.00)
ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ (50.00)
TOTAL	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,825.00	\$ (1,675.00)
IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION			
IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
EXPENSE/TRAVEL	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ (2,000.00)
EDUCATIONAL MEDIA			
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE			\$ -
RENTAL			\$ -
SUPPLIES			\$ -
TEXTBOOKS/PERIODICALS			\$ -
SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -

2/16/2006	2005/2006	2005/2006	
	PROPOSED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
SUPPLIES	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
EQUIPMENT	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
DUES/FEES	\$ 600.00	\$ 615.00	\$ 15.00
GRADUATION	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 22,535.17	\$ 17,502.48	\$ (5,032.69)
SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION			
SALARY	\$ 3,317.50	\$ 3,387.12	\$ 69.62
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 510.48	\$ 537.66	\$ 27.18
LIFE & DISABILITY	\$ 13.23	\$ 19.40	\$ 6.17
FICA	\$ 253.79	\$ 259.11	\$ 5.32
RETIREMENT	\$ 85.75	\$ 88.32	\$ 2.57
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 4.08	\$ 4.08	\$ -
WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE	\$ 21.23	\$ 19.98	\$ (1.25)
TRAVEL	\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00	\$ (200.00)
SUPPLIES			\$ -
DUES & FEES			\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 4,706.06	\$ 4,615.67	\$ (90.39)
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF PLANT			
SALARIES	\$ 9,131.00	\$ 9,330.00	\$ 199.00
SALARY - SUMMER MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,350.00	\$ 50.00
FICA	\$ 874.47	\$ 893.52	\$ 19.05
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 24.00	\$ 24.00	\$ -
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 381.80	\$ 356.24	\$ (25.56)
PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL WATER	\$ 800.00	\$ 650.00	\$ (150.00)
GROUNDS WORK	\$ 575.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 175.00
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 350.00	\$ 150.00	\$ (200.00)
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	\$ 500.00	\$ 350.00	\$ (150.00)
PROPERTY INSURANCE	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (500.00)
TELEPHONE	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,975.00	\$ 375.00
INTERNET SERVICE			\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
ELECTRICITY	\$ 5,300.00	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 450.00
BOTTLED GAS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ (300.00)
FUEL OIL	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,200.00
FURNITURE & FIXTURES			\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 40,136.27	\$ 37,278.76	\$ (2,857.51)
TRANSPORTATION			
SALARIES	\$ 10,080.00	\$ 10,368.00	\$ 288.00

2/16/2006	2005/2006	2005/2006	
	PROPOSED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR			
TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION	\$ 2,864.00	\$ 1,631.52	\$ (1,232.48)
FICA	\$ 219.10	\$ 207.43	\$ (11.67)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	\$ 8.59	\$ 8.13	\$ (0.46)
WORKER'S COMP	\$ 18.33	\$ 16.00	\$ (2.33)
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR	\$ -	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 1,080.00
COMPUTER REPAIR & MAINT.	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
SOFTWARE	\$ 650.00	\$ 300.00	\$ (350.00)
	\$ 4,460.02	\$ 4,143.08	\$ (316.94)
SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES			
SALARIES	\$ 4,070.00	\$ 4,070.00	\$ -
FICA	\$ 311.00	\$ 311.00	\$ -
OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
OTHER PROF LEGAL	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
OTHER PROF AUDIT	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 450.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
POSTAGE/PETTY CASH	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
ADVERTISING	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	\$ -
PRINTING & BINDING	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
DUES/FEES	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 100.00
TOTAL	\$ 14,881.00	\$ 12,931.00	\$ (1,950.00)
SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES			
SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES	\$ 76,039.54	\$ 90,927.28	\$ 14,887.74
TOTAL	\$ 76,039.54	\$ 90,927.28	\$ 14,887.74
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION			
SALARIES	\$ 5,150.00	\$ 5,304.70	\$ 154.70
SALARY-SECRETARY	\$ 11,970.00	\$ 7,030.00	\$ (4,940.00)
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 1,134.40	\$ 1,194.79	\$ 60.39
LIFE & DISABILITY	\$ 29.40	\$ 43.10	\$ 13.70
FICA	\$ 1,309.69	\$ 943.61	\$ (366.08)
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	\$ -	\$ 478.74	\$ 478.74
TEACHER RETIREMENT	\$ 1,005.71	\$ 196.27	\$ (809.44)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 26.40	\$ 23.49	\$ (2.91)
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 109.57	\$ 72.78	\$ (36.79)
POSTAGE/PETTY CASH	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
EXPENSE/TRAVEL	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -

2/16/2006	2005/2006	2005/2006	
	PROPOSED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
FICA	\$ 847.62	\$ 869.65	\$ 22.03
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 24.00	\$ 24.00	\$ -
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 681.42	\$ 514.97	\$ (166.45)
SALARY-FIELD TRIPS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT-ELEM.	\$ 11,081.00	\$ 11,116.00	\$ 35.00
TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT-H.S..	\$ 6,508.00	\$ 6,528.00	\$ 20.00
SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION	\$ -	\$ 8,835.00	\$ 8,835.00
MEALS	\$ 120.00	\$ 100.00	\$ (20.00)
PHYSICALS/DUG SCREENING ELEM.	\$ 202.00	\$ 79.00	\$ (123.00)
PHYSICALS/DUG SCREENING H.S.	\$ 118.00	\$ 46.00	\$ (72.00)
GAS/DIESEL ELEM	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,260.00	\$ 110.00
GAS/DIESEL H.S.	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,915.00	\$ 65.00
TOTAL	\$ 35,662.04	\$ 44,655.62	\$ 8,993.58
TOTAL GENERAL BUDGET EXPENSE	\$ 974,145.40	\$ 971,896.95	\$ (2,248.45)
SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM			
SALARIES - CAFETERIA	\$ 16,121.00	\$ 16,582.00	\$ 461.00
FICA/ CAFETERIA	\$ 1,233.26	\$ 1,268.52	\$ 35.26
RETIREMENT-EMPLOYEE	\$ 1,097.84	\$ 1,129.23	\$ 31.39
WORKERS COMP	\$ 538.44	\$ 24.00	\$ (514.44)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 24.00	\$ 505.75	\$ 481.75
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (800.00)
EXPENSE/TRAVEL	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
SUPPLIES/CAFETERIA	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ (1,000.00)
FOOD--CAFETERIA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
REPLACEMENT EQUIP.-CAFETERIA			\$ -
DUES/FEES	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
TOTAL	\$ 37,114.54	\$ 33,859.50	\$ (3,255.04)
TOTAL GENERAL & FOOD SERVICE	\$ 1,011,259.94	\$ 1,005,756.45	\$ (5,503.49)
WARRANT ARTICLES			
CAPITAL RESERVE 1			\$ -
CAPITAL RESERVE 2	\$ -		\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,011,259.94	\$ 1,005,756.45	\$ (5,503.49)
FEDERAL FUNDS			
TITLE I	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,008.91	\$ (191.09)

2/16/2006	2005/2006	2005/2006	
	PROPOSED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
TITLE II	\$ 138.00	\$ 9,174.90	\$ 9,036.90
TITLE IV	\$ 213.00	\$ 184.93	\$ (28.07)
TITLE V	\$ 918.00	\$ 670.29	\$ (247.71)
IDEA	\$ 14,100.00	\$ -	\$ (14,100.00)
REAP	\$ 3,972.00	\$ -	\$ (3,972.00)
OTHER	\$ 519.00	\$ 100.73	\$ (418.27)
READING EXCELLENCE			\$ -
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$ 22,060.00	\$ 12,139.76	\$ (9,920.24)
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,033,319.94	\$ 1,017,896.21	\$ (15,423.73)

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
ESTIMATED REVENUES/ASSESSMENT

	(MS-24) CURRENT <u>2005-2006</u>	ESTIMATED <u>2006-2007</u>
<u>LOCAL REVENUES</u>		
Earnings on Investments	500.00	500.00
School Food Service Sales	4,000.00	4,000.00
Tuition		
Other Local Revenue		
<u>STATE REVENUES</u>		
Child Nutrition	224.00	215.00
Catastrophic Aid		
Vocational Aid		
<u>FEDERAL REVENUES</u>		
Child Nutrition	6,300.00	6,000.00
Medicaid	2,500.00	2,500.00
Other Federal Sources (94-142)	14,619.00	15,230.00
Federal Forest Reserve	12,034.00	6,112.00
LOCAL/STATE/FEDERAL REV.	<hr/> 40,177.00	<hr/> 34,557.00
FEDERAL PROGRAM GRANTS	22,060.00	12,140.00
<u>FUND BALANCE</u>		
Placed into Capital Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00
Unreserved to Reduce Taxes	<hr/> 25,899.00	<hr/> 20,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE BEFORE GRANT	93,136.00	71,697.00
ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT	335,437.00	335,437.00
<u>DISTRICT ASSESSMENT</u>		
State Education Tax	96,242.00	122,033.00
Local Education Tax	<hr/> 513,505.00	<hr/> 493,729.00
TOTAL TAX ASSESSMENT	<hr/> 609,747.00	<hr/> 615,762.00
APPROPRIATION VOTED	1,038,320.00	1,022,896.00

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMARY

	CURR. YR. BUDGET 05-06	PROPOSED BUDGET 06-07
GEN. ED.	974,145.00	971,897.00
FOOD SERVICE	37,115.00	33,859.00
 TOTAL	 1,011,260.00	 1,005,756.00
 FED. FUNDS		
TITLE I	2,200.00	2,009.00
TITLE II	138.00	9,175.00
TITLE IV	213.00	185.00
TITLE V	918.00	670.00
IDEA	14,100.00	0.00
REAP	3,972.00	0.00
OTHER	519.00	101.00
TOTAL FED. FUNDS	22,060.00	12,140.00
 CAPITAL RES. 1		
CAPITAL RES. 2	0.00	0.00
 GRAND TOTAL	 \$1,033,320.00	 \$1,017,896.00

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

The parents, teachers, administrators and school board of the Stark Village School are committed to the belief that all students have a right to an excellent education.

It is accepted that learning is a lifelong process; related to all cultural factors; concrete and abstract; a result of experiences and interactions within one's environment; an experience which develops motor, cognitive, and effective skills; a right and a responsibility which children must accept; a process of self-fulfillment; and a process enhanced by competent instructors.

Therefore, the Stark Village School and the entire community seek to provide:

- ◆ Curriculums that offer opportunities to students and staff to acquire a broad awareness of themselves as part of a local, regional, and world community
- ◆ Comprehensive education that prepares all students to function well in a technological society
- ◆ Quality facilities, materials, and resources
- ◆ Competent and certified teachers and administration
- ◆ Conscientious support personnel
- ◆ Comprehensive services including guidance, healthy foods, and safe transportation
- ◆ Proper financial support for programs, staff, and facilities

Stark Tax Rate:

School Portion Only

2/16/2006	2005/2006	2006/2007	Diff +/-
Item:			
Expenses:			
Appropriations Voted:			
General Fund	974,145.00	971,897.00	
Capital Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Lunch Program	37,115.00	33,859.00	
Federal Funds	22,060.00	12,140.00	
Total Appropriation	1,038,320.00	1,022,896.00	(15,424.00)
Revenues:			
Surplus placed into Capital Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Minus money left from last year's Budget:	25,899.00	20,000.00	
Federal Revenues	57,513.00	41,982.00	
General Revenues	4,724.00	4,715.00	
Total Revenues	93,136.00	71,697.00	
Equals amount before grant:	945,184.00	951,199.00	6,015.00
Minus State Education Grant:	335,437.00	335,437.00	
Amount to be raised by taxes:	609,747.00	615,762.00	
State School Property Tax (raised locally) (state = \$2.515)	96,242.00	122,033.00	
Local School Property Tax:	513,505.00	493,729.00	(19,776.00)
Total Actual & Estimated Local Sch. Tax Rate:	12.36	7.70	(4.66)
State School Property Tax Rate (\$5.80):	3.60	2.51	(1.09)
Total State & Local School Tax Rate:	15.96	10.21	(5.75)

* Based upon \$64,158,803 net assessed valuation and \$48,566,103 net assessment - utilities

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS 2005-2006

I am pleased to submit my fourth annual school report

The SAU # 58 School Board, comprised of Northumberland, Stark, and Stratford established goals for the upcoming year. The Stark School Board also adopted goals for the Stark Village School. These goal areas have provided the focus and the direction for the use of our limited resources and time.

SAU #58 GOALS:

1. STAFFING

A. SAU Staffing

- 1) To maintain the same level of support from SAU Administration and staff
- 2) To focus as an SAU Board on the search for a new superintendent as a top priority and in a timely manner
- 3) To develop a contingency plan for the possible need for a new Business Manager at the end of the year

B. To identify possible critical shortage and retirement vacancies and to develop a plan for replacing those teachers and to attract quality staff

C. To maintain new programs currently funded by grants, through additional personnel, i.e. Spanish, technology (grants expire at the end of July 2006)

D. To assimilate new staff

E. To continue to help staff members meet state certification and HQT requirements

2. CURRICULUM

A. To continue curriculum mapping work with increased expectations for completion and follow-through:

- 1) GLE's inserted into the assessment area
- 2) Standards inserted into the content area
- 3) Administrators will communicate with each staff member to identify the current status of their curriculum map and to identify expectations and the timeline.

B. To complete curriculum revision for social studies to align with state frameworks and Grade Level Expectations as well as the new state standards and graduation requirements

C. To adopt the revised mathematics curriculum

D. To implement the technology curriculum which was adopted by the SAU

- E. Board in the spring of 2005
- F. To maintain and improve test scores ensuring that we continue to meet AYP
- G. To use IAnalyze and the data it provides to develop an action plan for improving test scores
- H. To provide appropriate staff development to support curriculum improvement

3. TECHNOLOGY

A. Classroom

- 1) To stress the use of technology in the classroom
- 2) To continue the emphasis on technology through the use of in-focus projectors, wireless laptop labs, power point, Spanish software, email, streaming media, virtual field trips, and distance video conferencing
- 3) To implement the technology curriculum which was adopted by the SAU Board in Spring 2005
- 4) To support staff in any technology committee-approved initiative

B. SAU-wide Oversight

To have the Technology Committee examine SAU needs and to present a proposal to the SAU Board by November; topics should include but not be limited to infrastructure, purchasing, connectivity, and integration.

4. FUNDING

To continue to lobby for an adequate funding formula that will address our financial needs

To aggressively pursue additional sources of revenue such as grants

To maintain and be actively involved in the Coalition and continue meeting with local and state legislators

To use the media to keep people informed about funding issues

To examine the possibility of using our current technology to bring in additional revenue

5. STUDY COMMITTEES

To study current and future enrollments in order to bring recommendations to be presented at the Annual Meeting (Stark)

To define what the academic program would look like if there are future staff reductions (Stark)

To examine and make a recommendation regarding the adequacy of all the current facilities K-12, this to be presented in time for school district review (Groveton)

6. GRANTS

To continue to pursue grants that align with SAU goals and identified needs

To examine current grants and how to sustain their initiatives after funding ceases
To continue the current level of financial management of grants, i.e., purchases, stipends, expenditures, etc.
To produce end-of-year reports regarding financial aspects of the grants

7. STUDENTS

To continue to monitor drop-out rates and create action plans to address needs
To study the use of electronic portfolios K-12
To continue to improve transition from elementary to middle school
To examine student health issues, i.e., obesity, exercise, nutrition

8. NEGOTIATIONS

To successfully complete all contract negotiations SAU-wide
To maintain current positive working conditions and relationships
To look at cost effective win-win approaches for both staff and district
To continue the collegial, non-adversarial negotiations process

9. STAFF DEVELOPMENT

To provide effective staff development activities which align with district/school and SAU goals
To seek additional finances to support staff development activities
To develop an accountability system for staff development in order to monitor success and timelines

10. ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

To examine the sustainability of the current charter school after the grant money runs out
To examine the success rate of the charter school program
To study student populations and drop-outs to identify those who would benefit from an alternative educational approach

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL GOALS:

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL GOALS:

1. To increase enrollment in order to keep the Stark Village School open
2. To find time to continue working toward mapping the curriculum, aligning with State Standards and GLEs
3. To continue the Technology Programs and the Spanish Program after this year]
4. To complete the organization of our library
5. To attempt to maintain and improve our state/local/Title I funding
6. Tow work for more consistency in technology capabilities
7. To maintain and improve test scores, AYP, NCLB

I am pleased with the successes that our schools and students have achieved this past year.

A study committee was formed this past year to study the long range plans for the school. The committee submitted their report with recommendations to the School Board in November, 2005. The School Board took the recommendations very seriously. Some of the recommendations included: staff reduction, review of the AREA agreement with Groveton, and a study of SAU services. Copies of the committee's recommendations are available at the SAU # 58 office or at the Stark Village School.

The School Board reduced the 2006-2007 budget by approximately \$112,000. This includes the reduction of a teacher and an aide. This also reduces guidance, music, art and computer education by 50%. Other cuts were made in supplies, repairs and maintenance, food service. Unfortunately, costs increased in tuition, special education, and in SAU cost (due to a change in the funding formula in property assessment and enrollment). These increases were approximately \$107,000. This results in a general fund and food fund total of \$1,005,756 budget or a net \$5,504 reduction from last year's budget of \$1,011,260.

We have also had several petition warrants articles presented for consideration at the annual meeting. They include: tuitioning all Stark students out to area schools in 2007-2008, studying withdrawal form SAU # 58 and forming a separate Supervisory School District, and visiting other small schools to gather information.

I also want to extend my appreciation to Tammy Talotta, our new SAU #58 Business Administrator, for her hard work this past year. I would like to thank the School Board, SAU# 58 staff, school administrators, teachers, support staff, and parents for their support this past year. I am looking forward to next year and the challenges it will bring.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherwood W. Fluery
Acting Superintendent, SAU # 58

SAU #58
ADMINISTRATIVE/CURRICULUM COORDINATOR'S REPORT
2005-2006

All schools in SAU58 have worked hard to address the goals developed at the beginning of the year. These goals, established with input from school board members, central office administrators, building administrators, and teachers have provided the direction and the focus for all schools in the district. Professional development for educators and curriculum standards for the classrooms have been based on these school and district goals.

Our staff development days have been geared toward providing each teacher with the time to "map" out his or her classroom curriculum to ensure that these curriculums align with the state standards and that these standards are being covered at the appropriate grade level. By aligning our school's curriculums with the state standards and grade level expectations, we are helping our students prepare for the state tests. In addition to each teacher "mapping" their curriculums, K-12 curriculum review committees composed of staff members from all schools in the district, meet to update one major curriculum area a year. Already the language arts, science, and mathematics curriculum have been revised, and the review of the social studies curriculum is now in progress.

SAU58 is working diligently to meet the federal guidelines of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. The NCLB Act calls for improved student achievement and requires that all teachers of "core" curriculum subjects – mathematics, science, history, government, economics, geography, foreign language, language arts, music and art – be "highly qualified". There have recently been new interpretations by the Department of Education as to what is meant by the term "highly qualified teachers" and merely being certified as a teacher does not, in itself, meet the HQT definition. These new interpretations have led to much teacher anxiety in all our schools, however, it does now appear that the vast majority of our teachers meet the HQT guidelines. The few who do not are working diligently to attain this status and SAU 58 will provide whatever assistance is needed to help our educators become "highly qualified" by the June 2006 deadline.

One of the major concerns and challenges for our district in the coming years will be the recruitment of teachers to fill our vacancies. SAU58 experienced a 19% turnover of teachers and administrators last year. A significant amount of time was spent interviewing prospective candidates. Unfortunately this trend will probably continue as many of our teachers are nearing retirement age, some of our younger staff are choosing to seek careers elsewhere and nationwide there is a shortage of educators in a number of teaching areas.

The communities of Northumberland, Stark, and Stratford can be proud of their schools and I would like to thank the students, the professional and support staff, the building administrators, the local school boards, and the townspeople for all they do to make their schools the best they can be.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick Bailey

**SAU #58
CURRICULUM/GRANTS COORDINATOR'S REPORT
2005-2006**

It is hard to believe that this is my third year in this position. I still believe that we provide quality education in our small rural schools, due in great part to the support of the communities, the dedication of our staffs, and the forward thinking of our administrators. Progress is being made in many areas, including curriculum development, staff development, grant monies, and testing results.

Ten teachers representing all four schools served on the Mathematics Curriculum Committee. That curriculum has been revised to align with both the New Hampshire State Frameworks and the Grade Level Expectations (GLE's) developed for the New England testing program. Since it has been approved, mathematics textbooks have been purchased that align with the curriculum. We are currently revising and updating the social studies curriculum which will also align with the state frameworks. There are no GLE's for social studies as to date there is no plan for the state to test our students in social studies.

Our Staff Development plan this year has centered around the SAU goals of enhancing curriculum maps, of implementing technology, of maintaining and improving test scores, and of examining and improving student health issues. In October, a representative from CurriculumMapper presented three mini workshops for all staff to help them insert standards and grade level expectations into the maps they had created. On the October 26th and November 10th workshop days, teachers worked in small groups reviewing and critiquing maps to identify missing standards, repetitions of lessons, and other weaknesses that might inhibit student learning. Teachers' responses to this activity were very positive, and they have been continuing to improve their maps based on peer feedback. During the March release day, teachers for grades K-8 will review the state testing results to look for strengths and weaknesses in order to determine how or if curriculum and teaching strategies should be changed. High school teachers will work on methods for integrating technology into their classes. Finally, in April, a representative from POLAR will present a workshop on fitness and cardiovascular health.

Although many of our entitlement grant amounts are in danger of decreasing, grant money in SAU #58 totals in excess of \$925,000 for this year, an increase of about \$75,000. As grants such as the Foreign Language grant and Project-Lead-the-Way expire, we must seek ways to maintain the programs they support.

The NECAP's (New England Common Assessment Program) for reading and mathematics have been completed for Grades 3-8 at all schools. Grades 5 & 8 also had a writing prompt. These results should arrive in mid-March. Grade 10 will test in May, again in reading and mathematics. In October we received our AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) status report for last year. Because Grades 3-8 took a pilot test, no actual results were released but AYP was based on attendance rates; Stark Village School had an attendance rate of 95.4%; thus it made AYP.

With changes occurring almost daily with state and federal requirements, the task of educating our young people remains a challenge. The staff in the Groveton Schools continues to meet them with creativity and dedication so that our students can hold their own in the complex world into which they will go.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Frizzell

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 2005-2006

In the winter of 2004, SAU58 was awarded a federally funded grant entitled EMPOWERING NEW HAMPSHIRE TEACHES THROUGH A WORLD LANGUAGE PROJECT. The Empowering Teachers project was designed to be a low-cost approach to the teaching of foreign language in three rural NH school districts. Using the talent of local world language teachers, intensive summer Spanish training for teachers grades 1-8, distance learning, the use of language labs and the use of high school and college Spanish students an effective procedure was developed.

During the first months of the Project an advisory committee was formed and remained in place through out the Project. The advisory committee, after discussion with fellow teachers and administrators, decided to do instruction in only one language and that being Spanish and not French and Spanish. This decision was based on the pressure that teachers were feeling due to No Child Left Behind mandates. World language teachers developed a curriculum guide for Spanish in grades 1-6. National Spanish standards were the bases for developing this guide. These same teachers developed and taught summer Spanish training for teachers for all elementary staff who were interested. All staff that were approved by school administrators could attend and stipends were paid.

The fall of 2004, The Rassias Foundation presented a three day workshop for all elementary staff. This workshop presented to staff the aspects of the Rassias methodology. Evaluation from staff and confirmed by administrators indicated that this was not a direction that staff wanted to go. Other possible college level training was explored and Plymouth State University developed a summer course for elementary to learn Spanish so they could teach their students. At the same time students from Dartmouth College were included in a Holiday presentation for Groveton students via video conferencing.

Another aspect of the Project was the purchase and use of language labs. Vendors were contacted and presentations were made. After discussion amongst administrators and the advisory group it was decided to purchase Rosetta Stone Software and laptop computers. With the help of the technology staff in the various schools software was installed on the computers with System Management Service capabilities. Students were instructed in the use of the labs, given time to use the software and results were recorded in the spring of 2005.

Also during the second half of the school year, 2004-2005, a Spanish student from PSU presented lessons to the three elementary schools in SAU58 using video conferencing on a weekly basis. Professional staff of PSU from the Spanish and technology departments coordinated and supervised the presentation of instruction. Observation of these presentation indicated that they were effective and enjoyed by the students. Staff, at the elementary school level communicated that they would like more cultural enrichment and less instruction during the video conferencing. This information was transmitted to Plymouth and

plans were developed to move forward with video conferencing for school year 2005-2006.

During the summer of 2005 more summary training in Spanish was conducted by the SAU world language teachers for elementary teachers and some staff. Two levels of instruction were offered, a second level for those having had the previous instruction and a beginning level for new staff or for staff not having the previous instruction. Attendance was over 90% and well received by staff. A college level course that was developed at PSU was cancelled and a number of teachers had signed up and were going to travel to Plymouth for the classes.

During the school year 2005-2006 arrangements were made to continue the delivery of instruction from Plymouth but connectivity problems made this impossible to deliver. Plans are underway to find other native speaking presenters via video conferencing. Keene State College, Boston University and an organization called VOSS which connects difference and appropriateness of presenters has created delays.

There have been many positive spin-offs as a result of the Project. First and for most students, staff and parents have found Spanish enjoyable and beneficial. Staff in general seem to appreciate the need to expose students to language early and that cultural awareness is crucial to understanding of language. Schools have been updated with technology and connectivity. A SAU58 Technology Committee that addresses the many issues and opportunities of technology meets regularly with an agenda driven format. Staff development in technology is organized and on going. Relationships with technology vendors have been clarified and productive.

Respectfully submitted by,

Robert Butson

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL
Principal's Report
2005-2006

The 2005-2006 school year certainly is continuing to move along at a rapid pace. As it has been in the past years, our major goal at the Stark Village School is to improve the quality of education while making the educational experience a wholesome and pleasant one for all our students in a safe and caring environment.

The 2005-2006 school year brought many returning, familiar faces. Mrs. Kelly Jewell is the Kindergarten/Special Education Teacher; Sharyl Graham is the First/Second Grade Teacher; Nancy Spaulding is the Third/Fourth Grade Teacher (as well as our P.E. Teacher); Charles Witters is the Fifth/Sixth Grade Teacher. Also returning were Jennifer Chauvette, Paraprofessional; Judith Jewell, Food Services; Janice Oakes, Secretary/Technology Coordinator; Cheryl Cloutier, Art; Tabitha Paquette, Music; Mary Eliason, Guidance; James Eich, Computer; Kami Whiting, Speech Pathologist; Brad Ball, Custodian; and Romy Curtis, Bus Driver.

It is a real pleasure and privilege working with the teachers, staff, students, parents, Superintendent Fluery, Board Members and the community members of Stark. Together we continually strive to improve the quality of education and to provide meaningful learning experiences for our students.

We are fortunate to have some very dedicated volunteers who contribute many very appreciated hours to help our school. Mrs. Joy Keddy has spent numerous hours organizing our school library and we thank her so very much. Joy also acts as our Volunteer Librarian. Michelle Randall spends numerous hours leading our fund-raising efforts. Jeff Normand, for the past two years, has volunteered his time to spread the mulch under our playground equipment. Thank you all so very much for your continued efforts.

As I mentioned in my Principal's Report last year (2004-2005), the teachers and staff continue to work with Distance Learning and the Foreign Language Program (Rosetta Stone). The teachers are also involved in the Curriculum Mapping Program.

This year students participated in a five-week skating program at the Notre Dame Arena. We collected over 250 pounds of food which we donated to the Groveton Food Pantry. We will participate in the American Heart Association's Jump For Heart Program and the State's Spelling Bee Contest.

We are looking forward to an excellent second semester at the Stark Village School. Please come in and visit and see for yourself what good things are going on in your school.

I want to thank my excellent staff for their great work, their dedication, their caring for your children and for their sacrifice to work at the Stark Village School.
Respectfully Submitted,

Charles R. Witters, Jr.
Principal/Student Services Coordinator

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL
HEALTH SERVICES
2004 – 2005

<u>Screenings</u>	30 – Students screened for height and weight 30 – B/P 30 – Students screened for vision 30 – Students screened for hearing 10 – Students screened for scoliosis
<u>Referrals</u>	5 – Vision, hearing, and blood pressure referrals 4 – Scoliosis referrals
<u>Physicals</u>	2 – Grade 4 physicals
<u>Pediculosis</u>	240 – Head lice checks conducted
<u>Pre – School registration</u>	– 4
<u>Evaluated for health/injuries</u>	– 6 Evaluated by nurse 4 MD referrals by nurse
<u>First Aid</u>	– 3
<u>Other</u>	- 3

Programs

Growing up series – 5 & 6 grade, AIDS and Wellness K – 6
Springtime Epipen reminders mailed home
Ski Helmet information faxed to Stark for distribution
Asthma Inhaler request – information letter mailed home
Health update request sent home
Universal precautions, communicable disease policy reviewed
Flu vaccine info to staff

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Meunier, RN

GRADE PLACEMENT CHART

As of February 7, 2006

<u>Grade</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Total</u>
Kelly Jewell	4							4
Sharyl Graham		6	5					11
Nancy Spaulding				3	5			8
Charles Witters						2	8	10
	4	6	5	3	5	2	8	33

		<u># Students</u>
Junior High School	Grade 7	12
	Grade 8	9
High School	Grade 9	9
	Grade 10	12
	Grade 11	9
	Grade 12	5
		<u>56</u>

RIGHTS OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

As the parent or guardian of a child who may require or who is receiving special education and/or related services, you have the following rights:

- You have the right to have access to and examine all records relating to your child's education.
- You have a right to receive prior written notice whenever the local education agency proposes to begin or change the special education referral, evaluation and/or education placement of your child. You also have a right to give your written consent before initial special education placement and before any individual evaluation of your child.
- You have a right to question any matter, decision, or recommendation relating to your child's referral, evaluation or educational placement.
- You have the right to request an independent educational evaluation obtained by the local education agency. If your request is accepted, the evaluation will be conducted by a certified or licensed professional examiner who is independent of the local education agency and will be performed at no cost to you. Should your request be denied, you have a right to appeal this decision as described below.
- If you have any complaints regarding the referral, evaluation or educational placement of your child, you have a right to meet with the School Board. If any agreement is unable to be reached, you have the right to an impartial hearing conducted by a state-appointed due process hearing officer.
- At this hearing, you have the right to be assisted by person(s) with special knowledge or training or by an attorney and the right to present evidence and confront, cross-examine and compel the attendance of witnesses.
- After this hearing you have the right to a written or electronic verbatim recording of such hearing. You have the right to obtain written findings of fact and the decisions of the hearing at no cost.

- If the decision of the impartial hearings at the local level is not acceptable to you, you have the right to appeal this decision to the State Board of Education or Civil Court.
- During any of the hearing or appeal procedures, your child shall remain in the current education program, or if applying for initial admission to the public school, shall be placed in a regular program until all proceedings have been completed, unless you and the school officials agree otherwise.

TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF 1972

Public Law 92-318

Subpart A, Section 86.8 of Title IX requires public notification that the Stark School District does not discriminate in its educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age or handicapping condition under the provisions of Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and the Education of All Handicapped Children Act of 1975. The Stark School District hereby notifies students, parents, employees, and residents that complaints and grievances for noncompliance with any of the provisions of Title IX are to be referred to:

Sherwood W. Fluery
Title IX Hearing Officer
SAU #58
15 Preble Street
Groveton, NH 03582
Tel. 603-636-1437

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Applicants for admission and employment, students, parents, employees, sources of referral, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the Stark School District are hereby notified that the District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities.

Any person having inquiries regarding the compliance of the Stark School District with the regulations of implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act is directed to contact:

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Section 504 Coordinator
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**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2005**

Moderator William Joyce declared meeting open at 3:30 p.m.
Ballot Clerks were John Pepau, Sr. and Deborah Joyce.
Motion to dispense with reading of the entire Warrant made by James Eich.
Second: William Cowie.

ARTICLE # 1: To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen and any vote relating thereto.
William Joyce, Chairman of the Study Committee spoke briefly on the meetings of the Study Committee and reported that they have carefully looked at the budget and will continue to do so in the coming year. William encouraged citizens present to attend Study Committee meetings or sign up to become part of the committee.

ARTICLE # 2: To set the salaries of school district officials:

School Board Members	3 @ \$ 850.00 each	\$ 2,550.00
Treasurer		600.00
Board Secretary	,\$ 50.00 per meeting	600.00
Clerk		55.00
Moderator		55.00
Police		55.00
Supervisors of the Checklist	3@ \$ 25.00 each	75.00
Ballot Clerks	2 @ \$ 40.00 each	80.00

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 2** made by Michelle Randall. Second: Cindy Boivin.

ARTICLE # 2 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 3: To see if the District will vote to accept the provisions of the Federal and State School Lunch Program and to appropriate Six Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$ 6,300.00) as may be available to the District under said program. Further, to see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for such funds and to expend the same for such programs. This article is included in Warrant Article # 5.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 3** made by Cindy Boivin. Second: Michelle Randall.

ARTICLE # 3 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 4: To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for, to receive and expend in the name of the District such advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for the educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State, Federal, or other governmental units or from private sources which become available during the fiscal year.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 4** made by Michelle Randall. Second: Cindy Boivin.

ARTICLE # 4 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 5: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Thirty Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$ 1,033,320.00) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District. This article includes Warrant Article # 3 but not any other warrant articles.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 5** made by Cindy Boivin. Second: Michelle Randall.

Motion made to **AMEND ARTICLE # 5** to \$ 1 million dollars made by Diane Daley. Second: William Cowie.

AMENDED ARTICLE # 5 FAILED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion to moved **ARTICLE # 5** as originally written made by Jane Hopps. Second: Michelle Randall.

ARTICLE # 5 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 6: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate up to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1.

Motion to move **ARTICLE # 6** made by Jane Hopps. Second: Michelle Randall.

ARTICLE # 6 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE # 7: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Motion to move ARTICLE # 7 made by Cindy Boivin. Second: Jane Hopps.

Lengthy discussion ensued on the closing vs. keeping open the Stark Village School. Pros and cons were addressed and discussed.

William Joyce spoke on the continuing high quality of education Stark students are receiving and stated that the top 3 students in the Graduation Class at Groveton High School this year are former Stark Village School students. William also reported that 50% of the National Honor Society at Groveton High School are former Stark Students as well. William also told citizens present that he recently chaperoned a trip to Concord to a Youth & Government Program and 5 of the 10 students attending were also former Stark Students. All this he said is "quite reflective" of the education that is coming from the quality of the teachers currently working at the school.

The School Board was commended by citizens present for their hard work and budgeting abilities to keep the school running.

Michelle Randall thanked all volunteers and teachers for their continued commitments in keeping the school running smoothly.

The School Board applauded Carl Ramsdell for all his work over the last few years and wished him well with his upcoming retirement.

Motion to adjourn made by Diane Daley. Second: James Hickey

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Voting continued until 7:00 p.m. Polls were closed and ballots were tabulated with the following results:

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER (3 YEARS)

Jane Hopps

SCHOOL TREASURER (1 YEAR)

Susan H. Croteau

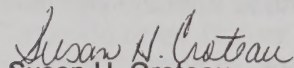
SCHOOL CLERK (1 YEAR)

Susan H. Croteau

SCHOOL MODERATOR (1 YEAR)

William L. Joyce

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan H. Croteau

Stark School District Clerk

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