



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire



GOFFSTOWN FIRE STATION 18 RENOVATION

At Town Meeting March 8, 2016 the voters of Goffstown approved a \$2.3 Million Bond Article to renovate Fire Station 18 on Church Street. The renovation adds 6,850 square feet to provide an additional bay area, and additional meeting/training area. The electrical, heating/cooling, and plumbing systems will be upgraded to meet current code requirements and the building's energy efficiency will be improved. The project provides a vehicle exhaust removal system for the larger apparatus area. These enhancements along with an updated generator will enable this station to be a back-up Emergency Operations Center.

On the front cover is a architectural rendering of the final design, a February 2017 picture of the construction in progress and a picture of the Board of Selectmen's ground breaking ceremony that took place Monday, October 3.2016.

Thank you to the Selectmen, Budget Committee and the voters of the Town of Goffstown for your support which made this project possible.

DEDICATION



PHILIP A. D'AVANZA

In 1981 Phil D'Avanza acquired property in Goffstown, and transitioned his clock business from New Jersey to Goffstown by 1983. He chose Goffstown as his home where he and Jo Ann raised their two girls, Jessica and Andrea. It didn't take Phil long to begin his record of public service. In 1989 he was appointed to the Goffstown Industrial Council where he continues to serve. He served one year terms on the Budget Committee (1990-1991) and on the Solid Waste Commission (1990-1991). He is best known for his twenty-three years of service as a Selectman (1991-2014) during which time he served five years as Chairman and as selectman representative on various committees and boards. He continues to serve on the Historic District Commission as Vice Chairman after retiring as Selectmen. In 2014 he was elected to the Planning Board where he currently serves as Vice Chairman. In addition to serving on these local boards and committees, he also serves on the New Hampshire Municipal Association Board of Directors and on the State of New Hampshire's Waste Management Council.

Phil has provided Goffstown with his exceptional commitment to public service in various capacities. He has earned the nickname of "Father Time" in reference to his longevity as a Selectman, his commitment to the historic preservation of Grasmere Town Hall, and as a repairer of historic clocks throughout New England.

We thank Phil for his years of service, and we thank his family for sharing him with the community.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



JEAN WALKER

Jean Walker was born and raised in the Town of Goffstown NH, and with her husband “Butch” raised their two children – Glen and Miles. She was a teacher at Maple Avenue Elementary School for 43 years, and taught in the same classroom for all those years. When she retired she was a second grade teacher. She continues to coordinate the After School Ski Program which she done for about 50 years. So many children have benefitted from this After School Ski Program. She has served in the Garden Club for at least 25 years, beautifying municipal buildings, roundabouts, and traffic islands. She also continues to volunteer for Boy Scouts of America with Goffstown Troop 99. In addition to these activities she has served on the Goffstown Conservation Commission since 1996, and currently serves as Chairman. Her municipal volunteerism also extends to serving as a Cemetery Trustee since 2010.

We thank Jean for all the time and contributions to the Town of Goffstown, and we thank her family for sharing her with us.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

POLICE LIEUTENANT PIERRE POULIOT

Lt. Pouliot retired from full time duty with the Goffstown Police Department on January 31st, 2016, after more than 22 serving Goffstown as a Police Officer.

FIRE LIEUTENANT MIKE VOGLEY

Lt. Vogley retired from the Goffstown Fire Department on March 4th, 2016, after more than 20 years serving Goffstown as a Firefighter.

TAX COLLECTOR GAIL LAVALLEE

Gail retired as the Tax Collector after a 25-year career with the Goffstown Library and as the Tax Collector at Town Hall.

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR RENEE MILLSON

Renee retired as the Deputy Tax Collector after a 16-year career with Goffstown.

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TOWN INFORMATION

In 1734 Goffstown and West Manchester were designated as Narragansett No. 4 but the settlement of the town did not begin in earnest until the 1740s. The Town of Goffstown, incorporated 1761, is named for Colonel John Goffe, an early settler, soldier, and civic leader. Goffstown was originally a farming community. As the town was settled during the 1760s, the timber that was cleared was used in building ships. Oxen drew the wood to the village of Piscataquog and from there it was floated by raft to Newburyport, Massachusetts. The oxen route became known as Mast Road, now the main road through town.

Goffstown is located at 43° 01' N and 71° 36' W in Hillsborough County nine miles west of Manchester on NH Route 114; north of Bedford on Route 114; east of New Boston on Route 13; south of Weare on Route 114; and 16 miles from Concord, the state capital of New Hampshire. The town has three boroughs or regions: Goffstown Village, Grasmere Village and Pinardville.

The Town has a population of approximately 18,000 and occupies approximately 36.9 square miles. Town Hall elevation is 306' above sea level, and the top of Mt. Uncanoonuc is 1,321' above sea level.

A five member Board of Selectmen governs Goffstown. Legislative policy, including passage of the Town Budget, is determined by the Annual Town Meeting. At the 1996 Annual Meeting residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional town meeting to a ballot determination meeting in February followed by an official ballot the second Tuesday in March.

TOWN HALL: Located at 16 Main Street, the Town Hall houses the following offices: Administration/Selectmen, Assessing, Building, Finance, Information Technology, Planning & Zoning, Sewer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk. Town Hall office hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

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

Dog licenses expire on April 30 each year. A dog must be licensed at 4 months of age. A rabies certificate is required. Fees are \$6.50 for neutered pets, \$9.00 unaltered. Additional penalties are assessed as of June 1 for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registrations, initiated at the Town Clerk's office, are due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Registration decals are available for an additional fee of \$3.00. Passenger, motorcycle, trailer and tractor plates are also available in this office. The Town is on-line with NH Division of Motor Vehicles to provide a full range of motor vehicle registration services, including boat registrations. You must present your driver's license and your state issued renewal form, or previous registration.

Property Taxes: Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. The tax rate for 2016 was \$26.43 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, an increase \$1.73 per thousand from 2015.

Zoning: The Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Goffstown was originally adopted and made effective on March 14, 1961. The Ordinance regulates land use in town and zoning amendments are adopted at the Annual Town Meeting.

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

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

PUBLIC WORKS: The Public Works Department is located at 404 Elm Street adjacent to the Transfer Station facility. Its office is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm. The Transfer Station for solid wastes and recyclables is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Curbside solid waste and recycling pickups are once a week.

LIBRARY: The Goffstown Public Library is located at the intersection of Main Street (Route 114), High Street and Elm Street adjacent to the historic Popcorn Stand. The library is open Monday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Saturday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm during the school year. Check our web site at www.goffstownlibrary.com for more information, or call us at 497-2102.

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

SCHOOL DISTRICT: An elected 9 member School Board governs the Goffstown School District; the Annual School District Meeting determines its budget. At the 1996 Annual Meeting voters passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. School Department Offices are located in the White Building at 11 School St. in Goffstown Village. The Superintendent of Schools serves the school districts of Goffstown and New Boston. The public schools within Goffstown School District consists of three (3) elementary schools – Glen Lake School at 251 Elm St. (pre-school and kindergarten); Maple Avenue Elementary School in the Village and Bartlett Elementary School in Pinardville (grades 1-4); Mountain View Middle School, located at 41 Lauren Lane, (grades 5-8); and Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Rd. (grades 9-12). Mountain View Middle School and Goffstown High School accept tuition students from the New Boston School District.

BOARD & COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Selectmen

Beginning March 2016, Second and Fourth Monday (or as needed) at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall, except Holidays

Budget Committee

Monthly March-June; usually does not meet in July or August; September-February meeting schedule to be determined.

Community Access Cable TV Committee

Second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Capital Improvements Program Committee

June through Sept. on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. (as needed)

Conservation Commission

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

Economic Development Council

First Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Highway Safety Committee

Quarterly as needed

Historic District Commission

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall or as designated

Library Trustees

Third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Goffstown Library

Parks & Recreation Commission

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Parks & Recreation Building

Planning Board

Second & Fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

School Board

First & Third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Goffstown High School

Sewer Commission

Third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Solid Waste Commission

As needed

Trustees of the Trust Fund

Second Tuesday of even numbered months at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Zoning Board of Adjustment

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

PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

Governor

Maggie Hassan

United States Senators

Kelly Ayotte

Jeanne Shaheen

Representative in US Congress - 1st District

Frank Guinta

Executive Councilor – District 4

Christopher C. Pappas

State Senator – District 20

Lou D’Allesandro

Representatives to General Court

District 6

Rick Christie

Barbara Griffin

David W. Pierce

Claire Rouillard

Nick Zaricki

Representatives to General Court

District 39

John A. Burt

Board of Selectmen

Collis G. Adams 2018

Mark T. Lemay, *Vice-Chairman* 2018

John Allen Brown 2019

David W. Pierce 2019

Peter Georgantas, *Chairman* 2017

Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark 2018

Town Clerk

Cathy Ball 2017

Town Treasurer

Don Borrer

Administrative Officers

Sue Desruisseaux, MPA, *Town Administrator, Deputy Treasurer*

Robert C. Browne, *Police Chief*

Richard O’Brien, *Fire Chief, Emergency Management Director and Forest Fire Warden*

Adam Jacobs, *Public Works Director*

Rick Wilhelmi, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Derek Horne, *Assistant Town Administrator, Economic Development Coordinator*

Don Borrer, *Finance Director*

Evelyn Redmond, *Welfare Officer*

Stephanie Beaudoin, *Tax Collector*

Donna Contildes, *Deputy Tax Collector*

Karen LeClerc, *Deputy Town Clerk*

Scott Bartlett, CNHA, *Assessor*

Marc Tessier, *Building Inspector, Building Code Enforcement Officer, and Health Officer*

Jonathan O’Rourke, *Planning & Zoning Administrator*

Neil Funcke, MS, *IT Director*

Kevin Laroche, *Prosecutor*

Paul Fitzgerald and William Drescher, *Town Counsel*

ADA Compliance Committee

Susan Desruisseaux, *Coordinator*

Bruce Buttrick 2016

Jean Mayberry 2018

Barbara Dexter, *Disabled Community Rep.* 2016

Vacant, *Business Community Rep.* 2018

Vacant, *Medical Community Rep.* 2017

Virginia McKinnon, *School Board Rep.*

Budget Committee

Elizabeth Dubrulle, *Chairman* 2017
 John G. Stafford 2017
 Karl Soderquist 2017
 Zuzana Buzzell 2017
 Craig Campbell 2018
 Bryan Fournier 2018
 Angela MacKenzie 2018
 George Fullerton 2018
 Dennis Lynch 2019
 Michael T. Smith 2019
 Scott Gross 2019
 Emily Sandblade 2019
 Peter Georgantas, *Selectmen Rep.*
 Dian McCarthy, *School Budget Rep.*
 Richard Fletcher, *Goffstown Village
 Water Precinct Rep.*
 Unassigned, *Grasmere Village Precinct*

Building Board of Appeals

Gary Meehan 2017
 Thomas R. Hanley 2017
 Mark Collins 2018
 Bruce Buttrick 2018
 Nancy J. Nichols, *Alternate* 2018
1 Member Vacancy
2 Alternate Vacancies

Cable TV Community Access Committee

Brian Salyards 2017
 Bradford Parkhurst, *Chairman* 2018
 Barbara Doody 2019
 Jason Cote 2018
 Michael Przekaza 2018
 Scott Gross 2019
1 Vacancy
3 Alternate Vacancies
 Neil Funcke, *Government Advisor*
 Gary Girolimon, *School District Rep*
 Adam McCune, *PEG Coordinator*

Cemetery Trustees

Jean Walker, *Chairman* 2019
 Dennis Sweeney 2018
 Linda Reynolds Naughton 2017

C.I.P. Committee

Tim Redmond, *Chairman,* 2017
Planning Board Rep.
 Barbara Griffin, *Planning Board Rep.,* 2017
Alternate
 Earl S. Carrel, *Vice Chairman* 2017
Community Rep.
 Gail Labrecque, *Community Rep.* 2017
 Raymond Labore, *Community Rep.* 2017
 Peter Georgantas, *Selectmen Rep.* 2017
 Mark T. Lemay, *Alt. Selectmen Rep.* 2017
 Michael Smith, *Budget Comm. Rep.* 2017
 Kristi Curtis, *School Board Rep.* 2017
 Jonathan O'Rourke, *Planning &
 Zoning Administrator* 2017
 Don Borrer, *Finance Advisor* 2017
1 Community Rep. Vacancy 2017

Conservation Commission

Jean Walker, *Chairman* 2019
 Susan Tucker 2017
 Charles Freiburger 2017
 Evelyn Miller, *Vice Chairman* 2018
 Karen McRae, *Treasurer* 2018
 Amy Pollock 2018
 David Nieman 2019
 Barbara Schult, *Alternate* 2018
 Collis Adams, *Selectmen Rep.*
 Patty Gale, *Government Advisor*
2 Alternate Vacancies

Economic Development Council

Stephen Langley 2018
 Charlie Tentas, *Chairman* 2017
 Jo Ann Duffy 2019
 Andrew Cadorette, *Vice Chairman* 2017
 Cheryl Anderson 2018
 Catherine Whooten 2019
 Mark T. Lemay, *Selectmen Rep.*
 Derek Horne, *Town Administrator Rep.*
 Chet Bowen, *Planning Board Rep.*
2 Alternate Vacancies

Goffstown Village Water Precinct

Allen D. Gamans, Jr., <i>Chairman</i>	2020
Henry C. Boyle, <i>Treasurer</i>	2018
Steve Crean	2017
Richard Fletcher	2019
Raymond Taber	2021
Marlene Gamans, <i>Moderator</i>	2017
Arlene Fletcher, <i>Treasurer</i>	2017
Linda Reynolds Naughton, <i>Clerk</i>	2017

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Earl Wajenberg, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
John Foss	2018
Raymond St. Pierre	2019
Christine "Tina" Daniels, <i>Clerk</i>	2017
Bruce Rand, <i>Treasurer</i>	2017

Highway Safety Committee

Robert C. Browne, <i>Police Chief, Chairman</i>	
Ruth E. Gage, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2018
Jonathan O'Rourke, <i>Town Planner</i>	
Adam Jacobs, <i>Public Works Director</i>	
John "Allen" Brown, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	

Historic District Commission

Ruth Gage, <i>Chairman</i>	2018
Lionel Coulon, <i>Corresponding Sec.</i>	2018
Vacant	2019
Mary Sullivan, <i>Recording Sec.</i>	2017
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2018
Rodney Stark, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Elizabeth Dubrulle, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Mark T. Lemay, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Derek Horne, <i>Asst. Town Administrator</i>	
Sandy Whipple, <i>Library Rep.</i>	
2 Member Vacancies	
3 Alternate Vacancies	

Library Trustees

Carl Foley	2018
Michael Lawler, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
Kathleen Holt	2018
Suzanne Riel	2019
Aimee Huntemann	2019
Kathy Coughlin, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2017
Janet Soderquist	2017
Kurt Huxel, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Lisa Iodice, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Steve Bouchard, <i>Alternate</i>	2017

John "Allen" Brown, *Selectmen Rep.*Dianne Hathaway, *Director***Parks & Recreation Commission**

Howard Sobolov, <i>Chairman</i>	2019
Jane A. Steckowych, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2019
Gary Gendron	2018
Liza Dubois	2017
Peter J. Hooker	2019
Brad Parkhurst	2018
Kevin Daigle	2017
Alexandria Hill, <i>Alternate</i>	2019
Collis Adams, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Rick Wilhelmi, <i>Parks & Recreation Director</i>	

Piscataquog Rivershed Local Advisory Committee

Andrew Cadorette	2018
Alan Garfield	2017
1 Vacancy	

Planning Board

Barbara Griffin, <i>Chairman</i>	2019
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2017
Tim Redmond	2018
Kimberly Peace	2018
Michael Conlon	2019
James Raymond	2017
Gail Labrecque, <i>Alternate</i>	2018
Chet Bowen, <i>Alternate</i>	2019
Collis Adams, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Jonathan O'Rourke, <i>Town Planner</i>	
3 Alternate Vacancies	

Rails to Trails Committee

David Pierce, <i>Chairman, Friends of Goffstown Rail Trail Rep.</i>	2018
Warren Denby, <i>Friends of Goffstown Rail Trail Rep.</i>	2017
Raymond Taber, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2018
Lt. Bill Connor, <i>Fire Department</i>	
Rick Wilhelmi, <i>Parks & Rec. Dept.</i>	
Robert C. Browne, <i>Police Dept.</i>	
Meghan Theriault, <i>Public Works Dept.</i>	
John "Allen" Brown, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Sue Desruisseaux, <i>Admin. Rep.</i>	
<i>1 Community Rep. Vacancy</i>	

Sewer Commission

Robert Trzepacz	2018
Stephen Crean, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
Timothy Redmond	2019
Collis Adams, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	

Solid Waste Commission

Frederick Plett	2018
Bree Oleson	2017
John "Allen" Brown, <i>Selectman Rep.</i>	
Unassigned, <i>Government Advisor</i>	
<i>8 Vacancies</i>	

Southern NH Planning Commission

Henry C. Boyle	2017
David Pierce	2019
Barbara Griffin	2020
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Alternate</i>	2018
<i>2 Alternate Vacancies</i>	

Supervisors of the Checklist

Denise Lemay, <i>Chairman</i>	2020
Al Desruisseaux	2018
Victoria Lemire	2022

Trustee of the Trust Funds

Earl Carrel, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
William Tucker	2019
Thomas Mulligan	2018
Laura Paris, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
<i>1 Alternate Vacancy</i>	

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Alan Yeaton, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
Catherine Whooten	2017
Emily Sandblade	2019
Gail Labrecque, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2019
Jo Ann Duffy	2018
Jeffrey A. Coventry, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Leonard Stuart, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
<i>3 Alternate Vacancies</i>	

Transportation Oversight Ad Hoc Committee

Barbara Carbonneau, <i>Petitioner Rep.</i>	2017
Jean Mazzarella, <i>Petitioner Rep.</i>	2017
Ryan Renault-Smith, <i>MTA Rep.</i>	
Peter Georgantas, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Sue Desruisseaux, <i>Town Administrator</i>	

School Board

Dian McCarthy, *Chairman*
Steve Dutton, *Vice Chairman*
Reta Chaffee
Daniel Cloutier
Heather Trzepacz
Jenelle Ann O'Brien
Virginia McKinnon
Lorry Cloutier
Kristie Curtis
Jacob Borges, *Student Rep.*
Kathleen Sargeant, *Teacher Rep. GHS*

School Clerk

Jo Ann Duffy

School District Moderator

James Raymond

School District Treasurer

Lissa Winrow

School District Administration S.A.U. #19

2019 Brian Balke, *Superintendent*
2017 MaryClaire Barry, *Assistant Superintendent*
2019 Ray Labore, *Business Administrator*
2019 Kate Magrath, *Human Resources Director*
2017 Salina Millora, *Director of Special Education*

2017

2018 Bartlett Elementary School

2018 Geraldine St. Gelais, *Principal*

2017

2017 Glen Lake School

2017 Kathryn Stoyle, *Principal*

Goffstown High School

2018 Frank McBride, *Principal*

Kim McCann, *Assistant Principal*

2018 Maple Avenue Elementary School

Suzanne Pyszka, *Principal*

Lisa Johnson, *Assistant Principal*

2018

Mountain View Middle School

Wendy Hastings, *Principal*

Joseph Lane, *Assistant Principal*

SELECTMEN 2016 ANNUAL REPORT



*Seated L-R: Selectman David Pierce; Chairman Peter Georgantas; Selectman Collis Adams.
Standing L-R: Vice Chairman Mark Lemay; Selectman John Allen Brown*

We look back on 2016 at our challenges and accomplishments. As a town we continue to responsibly manage our budget by carefully balancing costs and providing services our community expects. Municipal debt is low, and unassigned fund balance is healthy at approximately \$6 million at the end of 2016.

Each year the Board of Selectmen sets goals to achieve. The 2016 goals covered five major areas: Economic Development; Human Resources; Communications with the Public; Project Management; and Budgets. At this time we would like to report what we accomplished in each area.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: The Town has seen some commercial development. The self-storage facility on South Mast Street was completed and an expansion started, a new self storage facility has been approved on the Goffstown Back Road near the Manchester line, O'Reilly's Auto Parts (former Jutras Signs building) was completed and opens soon, and Hannaford's renovation has been completed with a grand opening planned the first weekend in February. Due to a court decision Manchester has removed the trucking restrictions on Goffstown Back Road which should assist in the continued development of the industrial park near the Manchester line. In addition, St. Anselm College is expanding and renovating the Cushing Center.

The Board has appointed Town Planner and Economic Development Coordinator to serve on SNHPC Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee for the purpose of updating the 2014 CEDS report so as to open up funding opportunities to implement these projects: (1) extend high-pressure gas lines in two phases along Route 114 through the Village; (2) conduct a feasibility study to extend municipal sewer to Daniel Plummer Road and Route 114; (3) Completion of the Rail Trail; and (4) Hillsborough County's study of the reuse of the Women's State Prison. These projects were previously approved by the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA).

HUMAN RESOURCES: During 2016 we negotiated a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Teamsters which represents certain employees at Public Works. This CBA will be voted upon at the 2017 Town Meeting. This agreement establishes a more sustainable matrix, a flat rate for longevity, an increase in the employee contribution to health insurance incrementally over

two years with a bonus to offset part of that cost, introduces more choices in plans such as a high deductible plan, eliminates the Blue Choice health insurance plan, a re-opener on health insurance to avoid the Affordable Care Act “Cadillac Tax” should it come to fruition. Also, added to this CBA was the Sick Bank and FMLA language from the Personnel Plan. The CBA will now have language from the Personnel Plan addressing the payout of 50% accrued sick leave after 10 years of employment or at retirement. The proposed 2017 Budget implements the Municipal Resources Inc. wage and classification study for all non-union positions.

COMMUNICATION: Communication with the public and with our town committees continues to be an ongoing goal of the Board of Selectmen. Messages are multi-media including press releases and letters to the editors in local newspapers, GTV, town website, newsletters and meetings such as the All Boards Meeting. Executive summaries of government meetings continue on the town website as an option to reading the full minutes. Selectmen weekly reading packets continue to be available on the town’s website so that the public can follow along in the meeting. We are quite pleased with GTV’s video on demand service which is available the day after a meeting. At this time social media is being used by most departments. Our IT/Administration Offices have developed a new website design which will be launched in 2017.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT: The Board continues to receive management updates on town projects. Upon passage of the \$2.3 million bond at the 2016 Town Meeting, the town went out for a bond and received interest rates much more favorable than expected. The expansion and renovation of Station 18 is underway and we expect completion in May 2017. Modules in the MUNIS software continue to be implemented. Utility Billing will be launched in 2017. Future modules to be implemented include Fixed Asset Management, Citizen Self Service for Taxes and Utilities, and Employee Self Service in the Human Resource module. We look forward to the efficiencies offered by these software programs. In July 2015 we initiated a transportation program with Manchester Transit Authority as passed at Town Meeting. The primary goal is to provide transportation services for the elderly and disabled to access medical care. Ridership has been better than expected and quarterly reports can be found on the town’s website. Since town funding for this service ends on June 30, 2017, an article will appear on the 2017 Warrant to continue the program for another 2 years (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2019) contingent on the Manchester Transit Authority acquiring their grant funding.

BUDGET: The Board of Selectmen worked with department heads to manage the 2016 budget and to develop a 2017 budget with minimum impact on the Goffstown taxpayer while continuing to provide the level of service that taxpayers expect. If all appropriation articles pass as recommended, if we realize the revenues budgeted and the growth in town valuation, then we would expect a decrease in the 2017 tax rate.

Congratulations to our Finance staff for an excellent 2015 audit. This is the seventh consecutive year that there has been no Auditor’s Management Letter. Auditors reported that the town is in very good financial shape with a low debt ratio and a very healthy unassigned fund balance. We recognize all our hardworking town employees who help carry out the Board of Selectmen goals and mission given to us by the voters.

We said farewell to long term employees, Tax Collector Gail Lavalley, Deputy Tax Collector Renee Millson, Police Lieutenant Pierre Pouliot and Fire Lieutenant Mike Vogeley. We wish them well.

Finally, we thank all those citizens who volunteer their valuable time to serve their community.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH

2017 ANNUAL WARRANT

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

You are hereby notified to meet Wednesday February 8, 2017 at seven o'clock in the evening at Goffstown High School in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. (Snow date for the first session is Thursday, February 9, 2017.)

You are further notified to meet Tuesday, March 14, 2017 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 14, 2017 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1 – Election of Candidates

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Twenty Million Two Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$20,296,990).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Nineteen Thousand Ninety Three Dollars (\$7,719,093).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Twenty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Two Dollars (\$1,623,780) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations requested in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Five Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$539,480) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment:

“Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Million Two Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$20,296,990).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Seven Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$19,779,338), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.” NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-0-1.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town of Goffstown will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2017	16,773
2018	32,557

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$16,773) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-0-0.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008. *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to continue the transportation program, contingent upon the Manchester Transportation Authority being awarded a grant for this purpose. The primary purpose of this program is to provide transportation to the elderly and disabled on an on-call basis for necessary appointments. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation under RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until 6/30/2019. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-0-1.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$230,000) for the repair of the Uncanoonuc Lake Dam. The NH Department of Environmental Services has issued a Letter of Deficiency to the Town regarding this dam. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of land acquisition and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as agents to carry out the objectives of the fund following the procedure as outlined in RSA 41:14-a. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) to be deposited into the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund. *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 9-1-0.

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), to modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Goffstown, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$45,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$60,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$80,000. To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years preceding April 1 in the year the exemption is claimed, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than **\$38,500** or, if married, a combined net income of less **\$55,000**; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$150,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. *(This article increases the income limits of the elderly exemption program by 10% which was last adjusted in 2007.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 11

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

ARTICLE 12

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

Given under our Hands and Seal this 23rd day of January 2017.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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2016 BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 3, 2016

Moderator Rod Stark called the Deliberative Session to order at 7 pm. The Police Explorer Color Guards led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Stark introduced the head table consisting of Assistant Town Moderator Lionel Coulon, Chairman Peter Georgantas, Vice Chairman Mark Lemay, Selectman Collis Adams, Selectman Allen Brown, Selectman Scott Gross, Gail Labrecque--Recording Secretary, Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux, and Assistant Town Administrator Derek Horne. He recognized others in the audience including Town Clerk Cathy Ball, Budget Committee members: Chairman Elizabeth Dubrulle, Vice Chairman Joe Spoerl, David Pierce, Ruth Gage, Michael Smith, Craig Campbell, Goffstown Village Water Representative Richard Fletcher and Selectmen's Representative Peter Georgantas. State Representatives in attendance were Barbara Griffin, David Pierce, and Claire Rouillard.

RECOGNITION OF RICK WILHELMI TO PRESENT THE ROBINSON CULLEROT VOLUNTEER AWARD

Parks & Recreation Director Rick Wilhelmi said every year the Parks & Rec Commissioners bestow a volunteer of the year award in memory of Clint Robinson and Lionel Cullerot. This is the 27th award. This was established to give annually to the person or group that best exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism for the Town of Goffstown. For any community to be strong it relies on the resources of the people within it. We have many people volunteering in many different areas and ways—recreational sports and leisure committees, town sponsored committees, and privately sponsored committees. Within our community we have many programs and opportunities for young and old to participate in. We in the recreation world understand the necessity for volunteers to build bigger and better facilities within our community.

This year's Robinson Cullerot Award is being bestowed on Jean Walker. Jean has been a volunteer in our community for many years and many different venues. She plants flowers in the middle of the roundabouts for the Goffstown Garden Club. She helps with registration and finish line services for the Goffstown Gallop. She administers the annual youth school ski program. She is an active member on the Cemetery Trustees and Conservation Commission. For 30 years she's been involved making the Goffstown Christmas wreaths. For 32 years she has worked with the Goffstown Gallop. Beginning in 1966 she volunteered slope side at Pat's Peak taking responsibility for over 350 kids on a Friday night for the entire month of January. She is an outstanding individual. Because of her dedication and commitment, thousands of children had a great time as they learned to ski, snowboard, and socialize. Our Town's curbside view continues to be enhanced. On behalf of the Parks & Recreation Commissioners we congratulate and thank her for her participation in the community.

Moderator Stark made his opening statement and addressed the Rules of Procedure. He said, as you probably know, at the 1996 Town Meeting, the Town of Goffstown voted to adopt what is known as "Senate Bill 2," which has since been codified and is also known now as RSA 40:12 & 13. This act is otherwise referred to as the "STANDARDIZED OFFICIAL BALLOT REFERENDUM SYSTEM." It is under this system which the Town of Goffstown in general, and this meeting in particular, will conduct its business.

He explained some of the features of this system as well as the rules of engagement for tonight's meeting:

1. No smoking on school grounds.
2. All speakers must use microphones and state his or her name. Please spell your last name.
3. To assist in standing votes, you have been given a voting card which you should display during a standing vote. If you have not signed this card, please do so. You will be asked to return these cards to the checklist table if you leave before the meeting ends.
4. The most important thing for you to know is that we will not be voting to pass or defeat any Warrant Article at tonight's meeting. All Warrant Articles will be on the Town's Official Ballot, which will be voted upon at the second session of this town meeting. Voting will take place on March 8, 2016 here in the High School and at the Bartlett Elementary School in Pinardville.
5. At tonight's meeting, Articles 13 through 26 will be open for discussion, debate and amendment. Article 1 is the people up for election, followed by zoning articles. We don't get involved in those. If an amendment is properly offered, it will be discussed, debated and voted upon. If an amendment to any particular Warrant Article is adopted by this meeting, the Article, as amended, will appear on the Official Ballot for voting on March 8, 2016.
6. With respect to amendments, please keep in mind that the purpose of the Warrant is to simply place the "subject matter" before the voters. Senate Bill 2, by allowing amendments, allows the same range of possible amendments which voters have always had under the traditional town meeting system. Amending appropriation articles up or down is permitted. Details as to how a warrant article subject matter is to be treated, or the addition or deletion of terms and conditions to the article, can be accomplished through amendments as long as they relate to the general subject matter of the article. Substantive amendments not relating to the article's subject matter will be ruled out of order and will not be accepted by the moderator.
7. Further, with respect to amendments, as in the past, all amendments must be presented to the moderator in writing. Forms are available up front for this purpose. Proposed amendments must be moved to the floor and seconded before any discussion of the proposed amendment will be allowed. Following the discussion on the proposed amendment, a vote will be taken on the amendment. Following the vote on the amendment, discussion will resume on the main article. At the conclusion of the discussion on the main article, there will be no vote on the article. We will simply begin consideration of the next article.
8. The "previous question" is a procedure which will apply to the conduct of this meeting. After an article, or a proposed amendment to an article, has been discussed, a voter may move the previous question. This motion is not debatable. A "yes" vote on the previous question means there will be no further discussion on the main article or proposed amendment, as the case may be. A simple majority vote is required to pass the previous question and thus end the debate.
9. In 2011, the legislature amended RSA 40:13 to prevent the practice of amending an article to eliminate all words but "to see". Please do not offer amendments which attempt to do this because they are not allowed and will not be accepted by the moderator.

10. Five registered voters may request, in writing, a written vote, prior to a voice or standing vote on a proposed amendment, and must be present at the meeting when the vote is taken. Once a voice vote has been taken or a standing vote is underway, a written request for a written secret ballot may not be made. This request must be made in writing by seven registered voters who are present at the meeting. Forms are available for this purpose.
11. If we have a written ballot, you need to show your voting card. The card will be initialed by the ballot clerk as you are handed your ballot.
12. All written ballots which are cast must be whole. If a cast ballot is torn, ripped or crumpled up, it will not be counted. You may fold your ballot if you wish, but please do no more.
13. In the case of a tie vote, it is recognized by voting authorities, most notably Roberts Rules of Order, that the moderator protects his impartial position by exercising his voting right only when the vote would affect the outcome, in which case he can either vote, and thereby change the result, or he can abstain. Since a majority is necessary to pass a motion, the motion fails if the result of the vote is a tie. In my 36 years of moderating town meetings, there has been only one dead even tie. That was on the article to raze and sell the building I was born in, which was the Moore General Hospital.
14. A motion to reconsider can only be made by a person who voted with the prevailing side. It may be seconded by anyone. It is debatable and requires a simple majority for passage.
15. A motion to restrict reconsideration may be made with respect to any vote taken at this meeting, or any warrant article previously considered at the meeting. This motion is not debatable and requires a simple majority for passage.
16. Finally, please note that I will not tolerate derogatory comments to be made about any speaker or person in this hall – so please be civil.

ARTICLE 13

Moderator Stark read Article 13 as follows: *“To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,300,000) (gross budget) for the renovation and expansion of Fire Station #18 (18 Church Street) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,300,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. A 3/5 ballot vote is required for passage.”* This is recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 13-0-0.

Selectman Gross moved Article 13 to the floor. Vice Chairman Lemay seconded.

Selectman Gross said this has been going on for about ten years. The Town recognizes the need to rehab and expand the fire stations. In 2014 there was a bond article for \$4.45 million to address all three fire stations and while it passed by simple majority, it did not pass by the required super majority of 3/5. So those working on the project have scaled it back. This year's bond proposal is for \$2.3 million to address the needs at the Church Street Fire Station only.

In 2016 the Town will retire two bonds by making the last bond payments totaling \$255,449. Those were for the ARRA South Mast Road Drainage Note and the initial Landfill Closure Bond. If this article passes, the first bond payment estimated at \$177,265 would be due in 2017, which is less than the amount budgeted in 2016, thus not creating a spike in the property tax. Fire Chief O'Brien will now present an overview of the improvements and expansion of the

Church Street Fire Station.

Chief O'Brien said initially when proposed, from all studies, it was determined all stations were woefully inadequate. They all need to be worked on. We got a plan to address all of them over a period of time. In 2014 the plan included all three stations. Today we have a plan for one station at a time. It seems to be more appropriate. It takes the existing station and fixes a lot of ill-electrical, heating, and operational when it comes to administration and space challenges. It is tight in that station. He invited people to stop by for a tour to show why the project is well needed. The bones of the foundation are still sound but components are needed to be upgraded. It allows additional space, bigger doors, etc. There is a handout available on Goffstown.com, which explains what is included and it shows the layout in design. Both the Budget Committee and Selectmen unanimously recommend passage of this article.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion. There was no discussion.

Selectman Gross moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 13. Vice Chairman Lemay seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 14

Moderator Stark read Article 14 as follows: *"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Thirty- Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$19,839,912).*

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$7,087,714).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars (\$1,606,262) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations requested in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Four Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$422,232) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$19,839,912).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Five Hundred Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$19,516,267), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article."

He said this article is recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee by a vote of 13-0-0.

Chairman Georgantas moved Article 14 to the floor. Vice Chairman Lemay seconded.

Chairman Georgantas said the Operating Budget consists of three funds; the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, and the EMS Fund. Only the General Fund impacts your property tax rate as the other two funds are paid for by user fees and grants. What is the increase in the General Fund? The General Fund will increase 2.13% or \$371,070. While there are increases and decreases throughout the budget account lines, the major increases are the Capital Improvements Budget with an increase of \$139,034, including painting and repairs to Grasmere Town Hall, expansion of Westlawn Cemetery and improvements to Roy Park; it includes an increase in benefits—employee insurance—of \$133,785 and it includes an increase in employee contributions to that insurance. This year there are four elections in 2016 and the increase cost is \$41,212. The difference between the default budget and proposed operating budget is \$323,645; however the difference between the general fund proposed budget and the general fund default budget is only \$179,912. The big question is how does this impact my property tax rate? If this article passes, we estimate an increase of 27 cents per thousand on the tax rate. We assessed revenues conservatively. If revenues are higher than projected, the tax impact would be less. A home assessed at \$250,000 would pay an additional \$67.50 in property taxes in 2016. Both the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen unanimously recommend passage of this article.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion. (There was no discussion.)

Chairman Georgantas moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 14. Vice Chairman Lemay seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

Moderator Stark clarified his instructions given at the start of the meeting. It has to do with the request for a written ballot. He read from the RSA: “*At any meeting of a town with a population of more than 500; five voters who are present may make a request in writing prior to a vote by voice, or division (standing) that the vote be taken by secret, written ballot. Upon receiving such a request, the Moderator shall conduct the vote by secret yes/no ballot.*”

ARTICLE 15

Moderator Stark read Article 15 as follows: “*To see if the Town of Goffstown will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighters of Goffstown, Local 3420, International Association of Firefighters, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:*

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2016	\$35,097
2017	\$33,181
2018	\$17,344

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Ninety Seven Dollars (\$35,097) for the current fiscal year; such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be

paid at current staffing level. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.” This was recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

Selectman Gross moved Article 15 to the floor. Chairman Georgantas seconded the motion.

Selectman Gross said this Collective Bargaining Agreement is with the Professional Firefighters for a 3 year term. The increase cost for each year is stated in the article, and read into the record by the Moderator. This CBA replaces a 9 STEP matrix which had two 8% steps and 4% steps with a 20 STEP matrix of 2%, which is more sustainable, and is in accordance with other CBAs and other employees. To be eligible for a STEP increase it requires one year of service and passing a performance evaluation. The longevity formula is replaced with a flat rate not calculated into overtime. There are several changes in regards to health insurance. The CBA offers two new lower cost plans – a high deductible plan and an Access Blue SOS plan, and eliminates the Blue Choice plan in 2017. It also changes the formula for employee contribution which increases the employee share incrementally over the term of the contract. Finally and very importantly, there is language to reopen the contract to avoid the Cadillac Tax under the Affordable Care Act. There are significant penalties the government has for plans that are too rich for their guidelines. The Dental Plan coverage was increased from \$750 per member to \$1,250 per member. Life Insurance is still the base salary but the cap has been increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000 of coverage. Vacation time has been increased to the same as non-union employees, and we have calculated the cost of each additional vacation week. While the Town will experience a savings each year in health insurance, we are only allowed to calculate the savings in the first year of the contract by law.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Selectman Gross moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 15. Chairman Georgantas seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 16

Moderator Stark read Article 16 as follows: “*To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008. This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.”* He said this was recommended by the Board of Selectmen with a vote of 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 12-0-0.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved Article 16 to the floor. Selectman Gross seconded.

Vice Chairman Lemay said the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund was established in 2008 for the purpose of helping defray the single-year impact of the replacement cost of fire apparatus, which can run between \$500,000 and \$1 million. This Capital Reserve Fund helps to spread that cost over multiple years. This fund can also provide the Town leverage, in the form of a local match, when seeking grants to replace apparatus. This was the case in 2010, when the Fire Department was able to accept an Assistance to Firefighters Grant to replace the Town’s obsolete ladder trucks with one Tower/Ladder. In that instance, the required match dollars

came from this fund. The Fund currently has approximately \$343,000 and the Town is seeking to add \$225,000 for future fire apparatus purchases. Funding for this article is proposed to come from the unassigned fund balance, with no amount to be raised by taxation. Both the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend passage of this article.

Moderator Stark opened Article 16 to the floor for discussion.

Barbara Griffin said hers is more a question on how the warrant was put together and the choice of using funds from the fund balance for some articles and not for others. Article 16 says this sum is to come from the fund balance and no amount is to be raised from taxation. The same note is on Article 17. \$500,000 is coming from the fund balance. If the BOS is unanimously in support of Article 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, and 22, which all require the raising of funds from taxation, why wasn't the fund from the fund balance spread equally among those articles? As a taxpayer she sees that some articles don't cost anything but others do have a cost.

Chairman Georgantas said if you were to spread it equally it would be a little in each one. That would be confusing when you go to the ballot. The apparatus fund started in 2008 and this is not the first time funds have been appropriated to that account this way.

Barbara Griffin said you are asking my tax dollars to come in those increments so if you are truly in support of those articles the same, you should allocate the same percentage from the fund balance for each article. The reality is every article has to have money raised from taxes. It looks like you are pushing some articles more than others. It's \$500,000+ from the general fund, and could have been allocated a little more evenly. She is against the way the Board chose to allocate money from the fund.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 16. Selectman Gross seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 17

Moderator Stark read Article 17 as follows: *“To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$280,000) to purchase the required harnesses and equipment for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and a Jaws of Life. This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.”* He said it is recommended by the Board of Selectman by a vote of 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee vote of 12-0-0.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved Article 17 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded the motion.

Vice Chairman Lemay said the passage of this article would allow for the replacement of 38 obsolete Self Contained Breathing Apparatus. Last year the Town was able to purchase the cylinders for the SCBAs through the budget process. This year we need to complete the project by purchasing the NFPA Compliant SCBAs, 25 additional face pieces, 3 firefighter locating devices, and 2 RIT Packs for \$240,000. This article also includes the replacement of a Hydraulic Rescue Tool (Jaws of Life) with modern rescue equipment which is able to manage

modern vehicle construction. It is battery operated and has increased reliability during an emergency; cost is \$40,000. This article will be funded by the unassigned fund balance, thus having no impact on the tax rate.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Mr. Tobias, of 100 Lesnyk Road, asked for clarification of the article.

Selectman Gross explained the total amount of the article was \$280,000. It was broken down into two sections. One was \$240,000 and the other was \$40,000.

Vice Chairman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 17. Selectman Adams seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 18

Moderator Stark read Article 18 as follows: *“To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$230,000) to purchase a replacement ambulance. This sum is to come from EMS Special Revenue Fund, established in 2006, and no amount to be raised by taxation. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.”* He said it is recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 12-0- 0.

Selectman Adams moved Article 18 to the floor. Vice Chairman Lemay seconded.

Selectman Adams said this article seeks to fund the replacement of a 2005 Road Rescue Ambulance—Ambulance #3. A new vehicle would increase the reliability of the mechanical, electrical and body issues. This ambulance would be funded from the EMS Special Fund which is supported by user fees, thus having no impact on the property tax rate. Both the Selectmen and Budget Committee unanimously support this article.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Brian Lombardi said he is in support of Article 13. How far along is the decision for the ambulance? Is it based on the facilities you have, or would it be changed if the facilities are improved?

Chief O’Brien said ambulances are not getting bigger and bigger like the fire apparatus. The current ambulance has an inch on each side of the doors. We are careful not to get anything wider if Article 13 doesn’t pass. This ambulance is over 10 years old and has done its work.

Joe McCarthy asked what is done with the old ambulance and if you sell them what does the money go to.

Chief O’Brien said the Town policy is to trade them in to help defray costs, or to sell at public auction. With this item, where it was purchased with the special revenue fund, it would go back into that fund if we get money back.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 18. Vice Chairman Lemay seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 19

Moderator Stark read article 19 as follows: “*To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for Goffstown’s Road Improvement Program. Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14 which has \$845,000 budgeted for reclamation, resurfacing and crack sealing of roads.*” He said it is recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 12-0-0.

SELECTMAN BROWN MOVED ARTICLE 19 TO THE FLOOR. SELECTMAN ADAMS SECONDED.

Selectman Brown said currently we have a total of about \$845,000 in the proposed 2016 Budget for road improvements. This article seeks to add \$250,000 to the road plan budget for a total of \$1,095,000, which is still far below previous funding levels. At peak funding level in 2009 the town budgeted \$2,596,597 for road improvements. We have 130 centerline miles in town. They could use some improving. It would be good for the town and the roads.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion. He asked what it means when it reads, “*Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town.*” Is it on an ongoing basis?

Selectman Gross said this language was reviewed by the Department of Revenue Administration. If you vote yes, that money will automatically go into next year’s budget calculations. Our road program was operating at over \$2 million and we had to alter it through the recession. Now we are incrementally trying to get back to where we need to be to maintain our roads. We are trying to do it in a gradual manner, and that is why we have this article.

Selectman Brown moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 19. Selectman Adams seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 20

Moderator Stark read Article 20 as follows: “*To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.*” He said it is recommended by the Board of Selectman 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 12-0- 0.

Selectman Adams moved Article 20 to the floor. Selectman Brown seconded.

Selectman Adams said Goffstown Main Street Program’s mission is to provide support, advice, and promotion to current and potential business owners and residents of the designated Main Street area using the National Main Street Center’s 4-Point Approach. The 4-Point Approach revolves around principles of effective design, promotion, economic restructuring, and organization as the keys to economic revitalization of the historic downtown. Many of you are familiar with

the special events sponsored by Main Street including the St. Patrick's Day Dance with Silent Auction, Old Home Day, Concerts on the Common, Giant Pumpkin Regatta, Friday Night Under the Lights, and Art Showoffs. These events bring business to the Village Area as well as fostering a sense of community. Passage of this warrant article would provide \$20,000 towards their 2016 Budget of \$71,750. This article is recommended unanimously by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Karen Henderson thanked everyone for their support in the past on this article. She said they are fortunate to have the support of the Board and voters for 15 years. It represents quite a bit of our operating budget.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict consideration of Article 20. Selectman Brown seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 21

Moderator Stark read Article 21 as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14." It is recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 12-0-0.

Selectman Gross moved Article 21 to the floor. Selectman Brown seconded the motion.

Selectman Gross said Crispin's House has provided services to youth and families of Goffstown for over 25 years, providing positive program opportunities to help kids make positive choices. The total budget is about \$85,890. The warrant article covers only \$20,000. The organization works hard to raise the remaining funds through fundraising activities, community involvement and grants. The newest program is in the area of Suicide Prevention, a growing concern in our community, and they work in collaboration with Makin' Happen of Greater Manchester and the National Alliance on Mental Illness. This article is recommended unanimously by the Board of Selectmen and by the Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Dian McCarthy, Executive Director, said this warrant article, is important to us. It has been a source of good support and helps us qualify for other grants. It is important in that process. We work hard to lift up families in our communities. This is the fourth year and the last 3 we have been overwhelmingly supported. Thank you.

Selectman Gross moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 21. Selectman Brown seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 22

Moderator Stark read Article 22 as follows: *“To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of helping to support Goffstown Waterway Association and Namaske Lake Association efforts to manage milfoil in the upper portion of the Piscataquog River, Glen Lake, and Namaske Lake. This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.”* He said this is recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and by the Budget Committee 12-0-0.

Selectman Adams moved Article 22 to the floor. Selectman Gross seconded the motion.

Moderator Stark said he was given an amendment to add “passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include funds for this purpose in future operating and default budgets for the Town of Goffstown.” This is submitted by the Budget Committee.

Elizabeth Dubrulle, Budget Committee Chairman, said she was empowered by the Budget Committee to propose this amendment on their behalf. At the meeting of January 14th they proposed this amendment by a vote of 10-0-0 with 2 abstentions. Our reasons for requesting this amendment includes the treatment of milfoil as a yearly expense, and should therefore be included in the Town’s operating budget. Since the milfoil can only be contained rather than eradicated, managing this problem will require a yearly expense of funds for the foreseeable future and therefore it is entirely appropriate that it be considered an operating expense. The governing bodies— in this case, the Board of Selectmen, the Goffstown Waterway Association, and the Namaske Lake Association have agreed to a milfoil abatement and maintenance plan in consultation with the State Department of Environmental Services that require certain steps to be taken on an annual basis, thus causing us concern that the necessary funds would be subject to a yearly town vote. If the volunteers who run the Goffstown Waterway Association and the Namaske Lake Association do not make a convincing case to the voters every single year, those funds may be in jeopardy. And with the milfoil problem being one that compounds every year, not funding the project may have serious and costly consequences for taxpayers. Once the appropriate funds have been included in a Town budget that has been approved by the voters, those funds will then be included in a default budget from that point forward until removed by the selectmen, which will provide a level of protection for those funds in the important work that those funds support. Finally, although the Selectmen already have a fair amount of oversight on this project, bringing the funds into the operating budget will provide them with even greater control of how this taxpayer money is being spent.

Moderator Stark said this motion to amend was seconded by Joe Spoerl. It is properly before the meeting.

Robert Morris said he supports this article but is concerned by the amendment. The natural reaction of a typical voter would be to not put it in the budget.

Elizabeth Dubrulle said it was in the proposed budget last year but the proposed budget failed and that money failed. That is why it is included this way. But it’s a maintenance cost. It is a true operating expense and should be treated as such. We feel it is more transparent to count it as a true operating expense, which is what it is.

Phil D'Avanza said his concerns are more about the process. He understands the purpose of the amendment. He thinks it's a good cause. There are two concerns in the process. First, we are dealing with a money article. It's been voted on by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee. The amendment doesn't affect money amount, but just language. If this passes, the Budget Committee, by statute can't vote on this article. It would go onto the ballot differently. He heard a vote different from the Budget Committee. It's not fully accurate. The other issue is the warning of this article. It doesn't mention that it would be included into next year's operating budget. He is concerned it's not properly warned to the public.

Chairman Georgantas asked if there is anything that says this money has to be spent specifically on the eradication of milfoil. There is nothing that he knows of.

Town Administrator Desruisseaux said if you have a line saying milfoil, the intent is there. Chairman Georgantas asked if the Selectmen could not fund it if we have a default budget year.

Town Administrator Desruisseaux said you could.

Elizabeth Dubrulle said putting it in the Operating Budget is a commitment to the Town that we are going to try to address this milfoil so our lakes are still usable. And to answer Phil D'Avanza's question, the 2 abstentions were because they represent other boards and those boards hadn't weighed in on it. That is why the votes are different.

Claire Rouillard asked if there is another way to address this issue other than an amendment that has potential to fail.

Elizabeth Dubrulle said next year. We put it in as an amendment because we can't change the articles up or down. The Conservation Commission chose to do a special warrant article. This year the amendment is the only thing we can do, next year we can work with the Conservation Commission.

Claire Rouillard said we can keep this now and next year bring it up.

Jean Walker said it was a special warrant article because there was no money last year. We figured it was a better chance in case the budget failed.

Jim Raymond said we are getting more excited over this than we need to. The purpose of this clause is under RSA 40:13 Default Budget Calculations. You would exclude one-time expenditures not likely to be repeated. If it goes through this year, without that clause it's not included in next year's budget. By adding that clause you can include in next year's budget. He thinks all it is doing is putting it into the formula for determining the default budget. A typical rule is that this town meeting cannot bind future towns, except for certain exceptions. If it takes it out of those exceptions it has to be in the budget next year. We're not appropriating this fund into the indefinite future. It's just a way to get around the otherwise exclusion from the default budget. That's all it does. So let's do that. It's a good thing. To clarify, although this motion was made by two people from the Budget Committee, this motion is not made by the Budget Committee.

Vote on amendment: Motion passes; one against.

Selectman Adams said this article, as amended, seeks to assist the Goffstown Waterway and the Namaske Lake Associations with managing the milfoil in the upper portion of the Piscataquog River, Glen Lake, and Namaske Lake. There are long-term variable milfoil management plans for each Lake developed by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, which is also provided grants to these associations for herbicide treatments. The Town funding assists these associations in meeting their match to these grants. This article is recommended unanimously by the selectmen and budget committee. He thinks it important we address the milfoil issue; it is a long-term effect and can be eradicated. These water bodies and waterways are assets, they draw visitors to Goffstown, and there is economic benefit to the Town of Goffstown. He supports it and recommends voters support it as well.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 22. Selectman Gross seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 23

Moderator Stark read Article 23 as follows: “To see if the Town will adopt RSA 41:9-a to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish and amend fees following the procedures outlined in said statute, such authority in effect until rescinded.” He said it is recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0.

Chairman Georgantas moved Article 23 to the floor. Selectman Gross seconded.

Chairman Georgantas said this article seeks to adopt RSA 41:9-a, which will standardize the process for establishing and amending fees. The RSA requires a public hearing with a 7 day notice published in a newspaper and posted in two public places. The notice shall contain the proposed fee schedule.

RSA 41:9-A ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES.

- I. A town may, by majority vote at any annual or special meeting, authorize the board of selectmen to establish or amend fees, as provided in this section. Such a vote shall continue in effect until rescinded.
- II. Following such vote, the board of selectmen, without further vote of the town, may establish or amend fees or charges for the following purposes:
 - (a) The issuance of any license or permit which is part of a regulatory program which has been established by vote of the town.
 - (b) The use or occupancy of any public revenue-producing facility, as defined in RSA 33-B: 1, VI, the establishment of which has been authorized by vote of the town.
- III. Such fees or charges shall not exceed, in the case of licenses or permits, an amount reasonably calculated to cover the town’s regulatory, administrative and enforcement costs.
- IV. Prior to the establishment or amendment of any such fees, the selectmen shall hold a public hearing, notice for which shall be given at least 7 days prior to the hearing by posting in 2

public places in the town and by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the town. The notice shall include the proposed schedule of fees.

- V. This section shall not be deemed to prohibit a town from delegating authority over specific fees to another official or official body of the town. This section shall not supersede other provisions of law concerning the establishment or amount of specific types of fees. Source 1989, 38:1, eff. June 11, 1989.

Chairman Georgantas said this is enabling legislation that authorizes the Selectman.

Town Administrator Desruisseaux said it was adopted in 1989 and is the first time to come before the Town Meeting. The Town has been charging fees for years. Authority was always embedded in other laws. This law, in 1989, standardized the process for any fees.

Moderator Stark opened the article to the floor for discussion.

Claire Rouillard asked the process we use now when we want to increase or raise our fees.

Town Administrator Desruisseaux said we've been following the process but haven't adopted the statute.

Margaret Harrison asked what happens if people vote no.

Town Administrator Desruisseaux said nothing. We keep doing it.

Chairman Georgantas moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 23. Selectman Gross seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 24

Moderator Stark read Article 24 as follows: *"To see if the Town will urge that the next President and Congress fight big money politics and restore government of, by, and for the people by championing the We the People agenda:*

1. *Ban Super PACs and overturn Citizens United*
2. *Expose secret donors and require full transparency*
3. *Ban bribes from big-money lobbyists and government contractors*
4. *Establish small-donor, citizen-funded elections*
5. *End gerrymandering and modernize voter registration*
6. *Close loopholes and enforce campaign finance laws*

That the New Hampshire State Legislature support concrete legislation to enact the We the People agenda. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to the NH congressional delegation and to Goffstown's state legislators, and to the President of the United States informing them of the instructions from their constituents by the Selectmen within 30 days of the vote." He said this article was submitted by petition.

Barbara Schult moved the motion to the floor. Selectman Gross seconded.

Moderator Stark said he has an amendment from David Pierce and Claire Rouillard. It is to delete the last two sentences and replace them with “the record of the vote on this article shall be public information.”

David Pierce said he offered this amendment to replace the last two sentences. What this does is to achieve the purposes of the proponent of the article that they can take the public information and do whatever they wish with it. It doesn't direct this Town to write letters. It doesn't become their burden. It's on the proponent. This is a vote to see if the Town will do something. The Town doesn't seek to put a burden on the State of NH. That is for all the Towns. It achieves the purposes of the proponent of the article or tinker with their agenda. It just allows what they can do if the article passes.

Claire Rouillard said she was unclear what it was we needed to do when the amendment was put forth. She didn't understand the actual article. The purpose of the amendment was because of the language of the article. The only reason for the amendment was that she was uncertain if that portion was requested or a statement that it in fact happened. The NH State Legislature didn't support a bill before it on this particular article.

Barbara Schult said she is here on behalf of the petitioners and others who didn't sign the petition. It is an effort to call attention to the effects of Citizens United to the dark money. We had a bill at the State House and it passed the Senate. At the Senate hearing and at the House hearing, not a single person spoke opposed to either bill. It was voted on at the House this past January. It passed initially. Then there was a quirky thing and there had to be a re-vote. It ended up in the end not passing. This bill is an attempt by frustrated residents across the state, to let our voices be heard at the legislative level. Sixty-nine (69) towns have passed a version of this since 2010. The State House is working at getting legislation passed. It's affecting local elections. It is disengaging the average citizen. It will only work if we have regular citizens involved. If people feel their vote won't count, people aren't voting because they are out voted by the millionaires. The language was given by Open Democracy. She is okay with the amendment if that's the only way to get it through. She prefers it stay as it is.

Scott Gross said he is speaking as a private citizen, he won't endorse the amendment. He doesn't think it's onerous for the Board of Selectmen to write a letter to say a vote taken was in favor of it. It just articulates what the voters did in Goffstown. Personally, he agrees with the petitioner that there isn't enough transparency with regard to super packs. There is too much big money and need to stand up to it if we want the power to be brought to the people.

Claire Rouillard said she is trying to get clarification on the sentence “to enact the We the People Agenda.” The Citizens United case is a US Supreme Court case that held, that in fact, freedom of speech trumps much of what we would like to see done with funding for politics and campaigns. She supports what is being done in the article. It's not a bad idea. She doesn't know what it means for the NH State Legislature. She'd like clarification on that.

Barbara Griffin said she would vote in support of the amendment. We are talking about big money and transparency. She doesn't know who Open Democracy is that supplied the language

for this bill, nor does she know the We the People agenda. She thinks it more appropriate, if it is going to be placed on the ballot that it's as amended--as a publicly recorded vote, and then our governing body can do what they might in regards to the vote.

Barbara Schult said the We the People agenda is the six points in the article.

Elizabeth Dubrulle said she is speaking as a resident, not as part of the Budget Committee. She has concerns with not being familiar with the group. The value of the warrant is symbolic. She's more comfortable making a symbolic gesture than passing a warrant article she is fuzzy on that directs people to do things that she's not quite sure what they are being asked to do. She will support the article as amended.

VOTE: amendment adopted.

Moderator Stark opened Article 24 to the floor for discussion.

Barbara Schult said thank you for listening and supporting to the extent you did. It's a step in the right direction.

Elizabeth Dubrulle said the Budget Committee is meeting immediately following this meeting.

Robert Browne, Police Chief, said about 10 days ago the Board of Selectmen invited him, Chief O'Brien, DPW Director Jacobs, Moderator Rod Stark, and Town Clerk Cathy Ball to address a plan for primary day. They have a plan but he is here to warn people there will be a large voter turn-out. It will be challenging. Give yourself extra time to vote that day. Try to avoid the area if possible. The roundabout will be packed most of the day. There will be extra police presence. A shuttle bus to help people in the back; handicapped parking will be in front by the entrance. He encourages people working the polls to park close to Wallace Road. Voters park closest to Park Street. We will be voting in the main gym instead of the small gym.

Brad Parkhurst made a motion to adjourn. Chairman Georgantas seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Gail Labrecque Recording Secretary

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

FEBRUARY 9, 2016

Registered Voters: 12,600

Total Ballots Cast: 7,589

% of Voter Turnout: 60.2

Democratic Presidential Candidates	# of Votes
James Valentine	2
Richard Lyons Weil	1
John Wolfe	1
Jon Adams	0
Steve Burke	3
Hillary Clinton	1148
Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente	3
Eric Elbot	0
Bill French	1
Mark Stewart Greenstein	0
Henry Hewes	0
Brock C. Hutton	0
Keith Judd	1
Lloyd Kelso	0
Steven Roy Lipscomb	0
Stark Locke	1
Robert Lovitt	0
William H. McGaughey, Jr.	0
Raymond Michael Moroz	1
Edward T. O'Donnell, Jr.	0
Martin J. O'Malley	2
Bernie Sanders	1771
Graham Schwass	1
Sam Sloan	0
Edward Sonnino	0
Michael A. Steinberg	0
Vermin Supreme	4
David John Thistle	15
(write-in's)	40

Republican Presidential Candidates	# of Votes
Tim Cook	2
Ted Cruz	563
Brooks A. Cullison	0
Matt Drozd	0
J. Daniel Dyas, Sr.	2
Carly Fiorina	197
Jim Gilmore	3
Lindsey Graham	1
Mike Huckabee	8
Kevin Glenn Huey	0
Walter N. Iwachiw	0
Bobby Jindal	0
John R. Kasich	639
Frank Lynch	1
Robert L. Mann	0
Andy Martin	3
Stephen John McCarthy	0
Peter Messina	1
George Pataki	1
Rand Paul	32
Chomi Prag	0
Joe Robinson	0
Marco Rubio	485
Rick Santorum	2
Donald J. Trump	1536
Richard P. H. Witz	2
Jeb Bush	498
Ben Carson	91
Chris Christie	454
Stephen B. Comley, Sr.	2
(write-in's)	27

OFFICIAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS

MARCH 8, 2016

ARTICLE 1 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Registered Voters	12,332	Total Ballots Cast	1,999	% of Voter Turnout	16.2%
OFFICES	VOTES	OFFICES	VOTES	OFFICES	VOTES
Selectmen - 3 Years		Cemetery Trustee - 2 Years		Sewer Commission - 2 Years	
Vote for not more than Two		Vote for not more than One		Vote for not more than One	
David Pierce	1425	Dennis Sweeney	1529	Robert Trzepacz	1512
Allen Brown	1478				
Write-In John Burt	5	Write-In	14	Write-In	10
Write-In	47	Library Trustee - 3 Years		Supervisor of the Checklist - 6 Years	
Budget Committee - 3 Years		Vote for not more than Two		Vote for not more than One	
Vote for not more than Four		Suzanne Riel	1495	Victoria Lemire	1545
Michael T. Smith	1312	Aimee Huntemann	1384		
Scott Gross	1420	Write-In	7	Write-In	5
Dennis Lynch	1285				
Emily Sandblade	1340	Library Trustee - 1 Years		Supervisor of the Checklist - 2 Years	
Write-In Karl Soderquist		Vote for not more than One		Vote for not more than One	
Write-In	38	Janet Soderquist	549	Al Desruisseaux	1547
Budget Committee - 2 Years		Steven P. Bouchard	301		
Vote for not more than Two		Karen Hewes	361	Write-In	8
George Fullerton	1420	Gary Meehan	267	Town Moderator - 2 Years	
Craig Campbell	1370			Vote for not more than One	
		Write-In	2	Rodney L. Stark	1600
Write-In	22	Planning Board - 3 Years			
Budget Committee - 1 Year		Vote for not more than Two		Write-In	13
Vote for not more than One		Barbara Griffin	1499	Trustee of Trust Funds - 3 Years	
Karl Soderquist	1512	Michael Conlon	1308	Vote for not more than One	
				Bill Tucker	1595
Write-In	18	Write-In	23		
Cemetery Trustee - 3 Years		Sewer Commission - 3 Years		Write-In	5
Vote for not more than One		Vote for not more than One		Zoning Board of Adjustment - 3 Years	
Jean Walker	1647	Timothy Redmond	1558	Vote for not more than Two	
				Emily Sandblade	1363
Write-In	9	Write-In	15	Gail Labrecque	1424
				Write-In	18

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the Glossary by changing the definitions of “Dwelling” and “Manufactured Home,” and by adding the following new terms: “Dwelling, Accessory,” “Dwelling, Single Family,” “Modular Housing,” and “Pre-site Built Housing” as shown on the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,532

NO - 323

Passed

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by adding “Conversion of Single Family Dwelling to Duplex” as a new principal use under Section 3.11, Table A – for Residential uses, listing it as a use permitted by Special Exception in the Agricultural, Residential-1, and Residential-2 Districts and as a use permitted by right in the Residential Small Business Office-1, Residential Small Business Office-2, and Village Commercial Districts and as a Use Not Permitted in all other districts?

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

YES - 1,287

NO - 551

Passed

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by moving the existing principal use “Landscaping Contracting or similar Business” from Section 3.11 Table J - the Agricultural Use Category, to Section 3.11 Table I – the “Manufacturing, Construction and wholesale Trade” category, and changing its status to be a use permitted by Special Exception in the Conservation Open Space and Agricultural district, and remaining the same in all other districts?

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,340

NO - 480

Passed

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the “maximum number of dwelling units per buildable acre for duplex and multi-family lots” portion of Section 4.3, Table of Dimensional Regulations,” in the Residential-1 and Residential-2 districts where both water and sewer exist so that the allowable density is on a sliding scale for lots smaller than or equal to 3 acres as detailed on the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,211

NO - 611

Passed

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending existing Section 4.4.1 – Dimensional Standards for Multi-family Dwellings by removing portions of that section and replacing them in new subsections 4.4.1.1 and 4.4.1.2 and by adding another new subsection 4.4.1.3 that states that “the side and rear minimum setbacks for multi-family structures shall be the greater of the underlying setback for that zone or the length of the building side most parallel to that lot line divided by two”? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,314

NO - 492

Passed

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the following sections regarding signs: Section 6.3 and its subsections, Section 6.4.1, Section 6.5.2, Section 6.6.5, Section 6.8, and Section 6.12 to remove language that suggests that these sign regulations are content-based, and replace them with non-content based requirements as necessary, as detailed more fully in the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,382

NO - 416

Passed

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 7.5.2 – Construction of Fewer Parking Spaces, by removing and replacing language therein to a new subsection 7.5.2.1 and adding another new subsection 7.5.2.2, which allows for the Planning Board to consider submitted data from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) in determining whether or not a reduction in parking requirements can be allowed, as detailed in the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,345

NO - 466

Passed

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by adding the following sentence at the end of Section 9.1 – Manufactured Homes, that states: “Modular Housing and other Pre-Site Built Housing as defined in this Ordinance are not subject to the provisions of this Section.”? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,340

NO - 455

Passed

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 14.7.3 - Use of a Non-conforming lot, by adding a new subsection – 14.7.3.3 that states: “Accessory buildings not creating an additional dwelling unit and not part of the existing principal building on the lot that meet Section 14.7.3.2 shall not require a Special Exception.”? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

YES - 987

NO - 921

Passed

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 14.10 – Abandonment of a Non-conforming Use, by amending its subsection 14.10.3 to allow for the restoration to be within two years in the case of fire or other casualty instead of one year for the use to not be considered abandoned? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

YES - 1,593

NO - 303

Passed

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 12 as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “Shall the Town amend the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, which currently reads as follows:

6.6.4 IN THE COMMERCIAL (C) AND COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL FLEX ZONE (CIFZ) DISTRICTS, ONE PORTABLE A-FRAME SIGN PER BUSINESS, NOT TO EXCEED SIX (6) SQUARE FEET OF SIGN AREA PER SIDE, MAY BE PLACED OUTSIDE THE BUSINESS, WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE BUILDING’S ENTRY, WHILE THE BUSINESS IS OPEN. [NOTE: ANY USE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY REQUIRES PERMISSION OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.]

by deleting the words “within 10 feet of the building’s entry” and replacing them with the words “and shall not be placed closer than 10 feet to any property line”?

Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

YES - 1,327

NO - 549

Passed

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,300,000) (gross budget) for the renovation and expansion of Fire Station #18 (18 Church Street) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,300,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon? (3/5 ballot vote is required for passage.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-0.

YES - 1,309

NO - 653

Passed

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$19,839,912)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Five Hundred Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$19,516,267), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-0.

YES - 1,149

NO - 786

Passed

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighters of Goffstown, Local 3420, International Association of Firefighters, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2016	\$35,097
2017	\$33,181
2018	\$17,344

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Ninety Seven Dollars (\$35,097) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,364

NO - 586

Passed

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,433

NO - 460

Passed

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$280,000) to purchase the required harnesses and equipment for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and a Jaws of Life? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,532

NO - 369

Passed

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$230,000) to purchase a replacement ambulance? *This sum to come from EMS Special Revenue Fund (established in 2006), and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,476

NO - 416

Passed

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for Goffstown's Road Improvement Program? Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14 which has \$845,000 budgeted for reclamation, resurfacing and crack sealing of roads.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,310

NO - 583

Passed

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,215

NO - 677

Passed

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,370

NO - 529

Passed

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town raise and appropriate up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of helping to support Goffstown Waterways Association and Namaske Lake Association efforts to manage milfoil in the upper portion of the Piscataquog River, Glen Lake, and Namaske Lake? Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,371

NO - 518

Passed

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town adopt RSA 41:9-a to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish and amend fees following the procedures outlined in said statute, such authority in effect until rescinded?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0.

YES - 1,208

NO - 580

Passed

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town urge that the next President and Congress fight big money politics and restore government of, by, and for the people by championing the We the People agenda:

1. Ban Super PACs and overturn Citizens United
2. Expose secret donors and require full transparency
3. Ban bribes from big-money lobbyists and government contractors
4. Establish small-donor, citizen-funded elections
5. End gerrymandering and modernize voter registration
6. Close loopholes and enforce campaign finance laws

The record of the vote on this article shall be public information.



Submitted by petition.

YES - 1,282



NO - 530

Passed

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DEMOCRATIC BALLOT RESULTS SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

Total Registered Voters	12,303	Total Ballots Cast	2,522	% of voter Turnout	20.5%
 DEMOCRATIC RESULTS 					
For Governor Vote for not more than 1:		For State Representatives Hillsborough District 6 Vote for not more than 5:		For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1:	
Mark Connolly	172	Judi Lanza	581	Garth Corriveau	704
Derek Dextraze	7	Reta MacGregor	582	(Write-In)	
Ian Freeman	7	Angela Mackenzie	575		
Steve Marchand	316	Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	560		
Colin Van Ostern	302	(Write-In)			
(Write-In)		(Write-In)			
(Write-In)		(Write-In)			
(Write-In)		(Write-In)			
For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1:		(Write-In)		For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1:	
Maggie Hassan	761			Jon Hopwood	694
(Write-In)				(Write-In)	
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1:				For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1:	
Carol Shea-Porter	735	For State Representative Hillsborough District 39 Vote for not more than 1:		Louise A. Wright	688
(Write-In)				(Write-In)	
For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1:		James Ashworth	675	For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1:	
Chris Pappas	750	(Write-In)		William Bryk	685
(Write-In)				(Write-In)	
		For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1:			
		Bill Barry	700		
		(Write-In)		For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1:	
For State Senator Vote for not more than 1:				Susan Ladmer	692
Lou D'Allesandro	783			(Write-In)	
(Write-In)					

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN STATE PRIMARY ELECTION REPUBLICAN BALLOT RESULTS SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

Total Registered Voters	12,303	Total Ballots Cast	2,522	% of Voter Turnout	20.5%
 REPUBLICAN RESULTS 					
For Governor Vote for not more than 1:		For State Senator Vote for not more than 1:		For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1:	
Jeanie Forrester	243	Carla Gericke	1,169	David G. Fredette	1,234
Ted Gatsas	493	(Write-In)		(Write-In)	
Jonathan Lavoie	11				
Chris Sununu	401	For State Representatives Hillsborough District 6 Vote for not more than 5:		For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1:	
Frank Edelblut	489				
(Write-In)				Mary Ann Crowell	459
(Write-In)				Pamela D. Coughlin	773
(Write-In)		Barbara J. Griffin	830	(Write-In)	
(Write-In)		David W. Pierce	637	(Write-In)	
For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1:		Claire Rouillard	700	For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1:	
		Emily Sandblade	417		
Stanley Michael Emanuel	20	Donald H. Sims	315	B.J. Perry	1,206
Jim Rubens	267	John G. Stafford	479	(Write-In)	
Tom Alciere	12	Nick Zaricki	524		
Kelly Ayotte	1,309	John Charles Burkush	464	For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1:	
Gerard Beloin	18	James M. Butcher	299		
(Write-In)		Richard Christie	668	Len Mannino	377
(Write-In)		(Write-In)		Robert H. Rowe	788
(Write-In)		(Write-In)		(Write-In)	
(Write-In)		(Write-In)		(Write-In)	
(Write-In)		(Write-In)		(Write-In)	
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1:		(Write-In)		For Delegates to the State Convention Vote for not more than 5:	
		(Write-In)			
Robert Risley	40	(Write-In)		Fred Plett	791
Rich Ashooh	825	For State Representative Hillsborough District 39 Vote for not more than 1:		Claire Rouillard	892
Michael Callis	36			Emily Sandblade	630
Jamieson Hale Gradert	23			Richard Christie	863
Frank Guinta	664	John Burt	1,219	Chris McRae	717
(Write-In)		(Write-In)		Karen K. McRae	778
(Write-In)		For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1:		Edward Monty	578
(Write-In)					
(Write-In)		James A. Hardy	1,276	(Write-In)	
(Write-In)		(Write-In)		(Write-In)	
For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1:		For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1:		(Write-In)	
Joseph Kelly Levasseur	833	Dennis Hogan	799		
Jim Adams	623	Shawn Sweeney	452		
(Write-In)		(Write-In)			
(Write-In)		(Write-In)			

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

STATE GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Total Registered Voters	13,310	Total Ballots Cast	9,980	% Voter Turnout	75
For President and Vice - President of the United States Vote for not more than 1		For State Senator Vote for not more than 1		For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1	
		Carla Gericke	4,133		
Stein - Baraka	57	Lou D'Allesandro	4,929	Dennis Hogan	5,244
De La Fuente - Steinberg	7	(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	12	Garth Corriveau	3,381
Johnson - Weld	412			(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	6
Trump - Pence	5,009				
Clinton - Kaine	4,146	For State Representatives Hillsborough District 6 Vote for not more than 5		For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1	
(Write-In) Bernie Sanders	53				
(Write-In) John Kasich	41	Barbara J. Griffin	4,676	David G. Fredette	5,407
(Write-In) Evan McMullin	33	David W. Pierce	4,530	Jon Hopwood	3,111
(Write-In) Mike Pence	18	Claire Rouillard	4,222	(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	3
(Write-In) Mitt Romney	8	Nick Zaricki	4,061		
(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	48	Richard Christie	4,124		
For Governor Vote for not more than 1		Judi Lanza	3,325	For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1	
		Reta MacGregor	3,149	Pamela D. Coughlin	5,169
Max Abramson	385	Angela Mackenzie	3,270	Louise A. Wright	3,360
Chris Sununu	5,088	Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	2,985	(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	5
Colin Van Ostern	4,067	(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	16		
(Write-In) Mike Gill	27	(Write-In)			
(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	19	(Write-In)		For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1	
For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1		(Write-In)		B.J. Perry	5,063
		(Write-In)		William Bryk	3,405
Brian Chabot	169			(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	7
Aaron Day	205	For State Representative Hillsborough District 39 Vote for not more than 1			
Kelly Ayotte	5,197				
Maggie Hassan	4,170	John Burt	4,994		
(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	14	James Ashworth	3,703		
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1		(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	3		
Shawn P. O'Connor	1,146	For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1		For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1	
Brendan Kelly	148				
Robert Lombardo	136	Richie Merrett	687	Robert H. Rowe	4,989
Frank Guinta	4,411	James A. Hardy	4,892	Susan Ladmer	3,534
Carol Shea-Porter	3,662	Bill Barry	3,172	(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	8
(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	15	(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	15		
For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1					
Richard Tomasso	400				
Joseph Kelly Levasseur	4,575				
Chris Pappas	4,270				
(Write-In) W/ < 5 Votes	7				

2016 ELECTIONS STATISTICAL REPORT

Election	Date	Voters Attending 1st Session	Ballots Cast	% Voters	Total # Registered Voters
Ballot Determination Sessions:					
Town	2/3/2016	57	0	<1%	11,349
School	1/30/2016	61	0	<1%	11,349
Presidential Primary	2/9/2016		7,589	60.2%	12,600
Official Ballot Session:					
Town/School	3/8/2016		1,999	16.2%	12,332
NH State Primary	9/13/2016		2,522	20.5%	12,303
NH State General Election	11/8/2016		9,980	75.0%	13,310

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire

Additional Offices:
Nashua, NH
Andover, MA
Greenfield, MA
Ellsworth, ME

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Town's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that

are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of Funding Progress, Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, and Schedule of Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information appearing on page 53 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Melanson Heath

August 9, 2016

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Goffstown for the year ended December 31, 2015.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

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

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

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

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

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$34,066,673 (i.e., net position), a change of \$1,032,858 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$8,957,633, a change of \$153,272 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$4,611,039, a change of \$479,476 in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current year was \$1,779,708, a change of \$(468,619) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior years (in thousands).

	<u>NET POSITION</u>					
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 24,920	\$ 23,391	\$ 3,951	\$ 3,932	\$ 28,871	\$ 27,323
Capital assets	32,609	32,274	5,187	5,569	37,795	37,843
Deferred outflows	1,556	-	37	-	1,593	-
Total assets	<u>59,085</u>	<u>55,665</u>	<u>9,174</u>	<u>9,501</u>	<u>68,259</u>	<u>65,166</u>
Current liabilities	14,383	12,625	342	339	14,725	12,964
Noncurrent liabilities	16,337	3,200	1,015	883	17,352	4,083
Deferred inflows	2,029	651	87	37	2,115	688
Total liabilities	<u>32,749</u>	<u>16,476</u>	<u>1,444</u>	<u>1,259</u>	<u>34,192</u>	<u>17,735</u>
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	31,709	31,089	4,306	4,506	36,015	35,595
Restricted	2,326	2,080	-	-	2,326	2,080
Unrestricted	<u>(7,699)</u>	<u>6,020</u>	<u>3,425</u>	<u>3,736</u>	<u>(4,274)</u>	<u>9,756</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 26,336</u>	<u>\$ 39,189</u>	<u>\$ 7,731</u>	<u>\$ 8,242</u>	<u>\$ 34,067</u>	<u>\$ 47,431</u>

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 1,041	\$ 979	\$ 1,438	\$ 1,437	\$ 2,479	\$ 2,416
Operating grants and contributions	377	40	25	255	402	295
Capital grants and contributions	394	374	1	1	395	375
General revenues:						
Property taxes	12,701	12,004	-	-	12,701	12,004
Motor vehicle permits	2,846	2,687	-	-	2,846	2,687
Penalties and interest on taxes	196	241	-	-	196	241
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	854	853	-	-	854	853
Investment income	75	109	4	2	78	111
Miscellaneous	582	726	1	2	583	728
Total revenues	19,065	18,013	1,468	1,697	20,533	19,710
Expenses:						
General government	2,679	2,476	-	-	2,679	2,476
Public safety	7,677	8,111	-	-	7,677	8,111
Public works	6,229	6,377	-	-	6,229	6,377
Health and welfare	59	72	-	-	59	72
Culture and recreation	1,200	1,215	-	-	1,200	1,215
Interest	29	37	-	-	29	37
Sewer services	-	-	1,632	1,675	1,632	1,675
Total expenses	17,874	18,288	1,632	1,675	19,505	19,963
Change in net position before transfers and permanent fund	1,191	(275)	(163)	22	1,028	(253)
Transfers in (out)	12	53	(12)	(53)	-	-
Permanent fund contributions	5	8	-	-	5	8
Change in net position	1,209	(214)	(176)	(31)	1,033	(245)
Net position - beginning of year, as restated	25,127	39,403	7,906	8,273	33,034	47,676
Net position - end of year	\$ 26,336	\$ 39,189	\$ 7,731	\$ 8,242	\$ 34,067	\$ 47,431

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent year, total net position was \$34,066,673, a change of \$1,032,858 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position, \$36,015,427, reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position of \$2,325,550 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position is a deficit of \$(4,274,304), primarily resulting from the Town's unfunded net pension liability.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$1,208,515. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further	
in Section D	\$ 110,316
Nonmajor funds	42,956
Depreciation expense in excess of principal debt	
service	(1,182,233)
Capital assets acquired, net of disposals	1,802,563
Net pension liability	379,116
Other	55,797
Total	<u>\$ 1,208,515</u>

Business-type activities. Business-type activities (Sewer Fund) for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$(175,657).

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

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

Governmental funds. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

As of the end of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$8,957,633, a change of \$153,272 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations	\$ 110,316
Nonmajor funds	<u>42,956</u>
Total	<u>\$ 153,272</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$4,611,039, while total fund balance was \$6,632,083. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>12/31/15</u>	<u>12/31/14</u>	<u>Change</u>	% of Total General Fund Expenditures
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 4,611,039	\$ 4,131,563	\$ 479,476	25.9%
Total fund balance	\$ 6,632,083	\$ 6,521,767	\$ 110,316	37.3%

The fund balance of the general fund changed by \$110,316 during the current year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenues in excess of budget	\$ 42,246
Expenditures less than budget	795,179
Tax collections as compared to budget	25,916
Use of fund balance as a funding source	(200,000)
Change in encumbrances	(543,193)
Other GAAP differences	(190,693)
Change in capital reserves	<u>180,861</u>
Total	<u>\$ 110,316</u>

Included in the total general fund balance are the Town's capital reserve accounts with the following balances:

	<u>12/31/15</u>	<u>12/31/14</u>	<u>Change</u>
Capital reserves	\$ <u>593,484</u>	\$ <u>412,623</u>	\$ <u>180,861</u>
Total	<u>\$ 593,484</u>	<u>\$ 412,623</u>	<u>\$ 180,861</u>

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

Unrestricted net position of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$3,424,795, a change of \$(310,811) in comparison with the prior year.

Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

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

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year end amounted to \$37,795,135 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(48,462) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system improvements, and machinery and equipment.

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

Additions of:	
Trash Truck	\$ 236,977
Dump Truck w/plow	\$ 170,919
International Dump Truck	\$ 166,649
Rail Trail	\$ 452,152
Glenn Ridge/Elm Wood Sewer Line Project	\$ 335,843

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$1,779,708, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Goffstown's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of Finance Director
Town of Goffstown
16 Main Street
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 20,450,968	\$ 3,813,183	\$ 24,264,151
Investments	825,348	-	825,348
Restricted cash	593,484	-	593,484
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	1,167,867	-	1,167,867
User fees	139,817	143,862	283,679
Special assessment	21,559	-	21,559
Internal balances	52,605	(52,605)	-
Intergovernmental	427,712	9,113	436,825
Other assets	5,385	37,241	42,626
Noncurrent:			
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	585,905	-	585,905
Special assessment	649,747	-	649,747
Capital assets:			
Land and construction in progress	6,189,911	335,843	6,525,754
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	26,418,654	4,850,727	31,269,381
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>1,555,732</u>	<u>37,097</u>	<u>1,592,829</u>
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>59,084,694</u>	<u>9,174,461</u>	<u>68,259,155</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current:			
Accounts payable	1,763,062	95,463	1,858,525
Accrued liabilities	109,677	4,784	114,461
Tax refunds payable	185,919	-	185,919
Due to school district	11,885,526	-	11,885,526
Due to other governments	5,880	-	5,880
Other current liabilities	90,960	57,185	148,145
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	287,787	184,342	472,129
Other liabilities	54,122	269	54,391
Noncurrent:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	611,365	696,214	1,307,579
Net pension liability	13,265,646	316,327	13,581,973
Other liabilities, net of current portion	2,460,363	2,416	2,462,779
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>2,028,523</u>	<u>86,652</u>	<u>2,115,175</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>32,748,830</u>	<u>1,443,652</u>	<u>34,192,482</u>
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	31,709,413	4,306,014	36,015,427
Restricted for:			
Special purposes	1,178,350	-	1,178,350
Permanent funds:			
Nonexpendable	694,816	-	694,816
Expendable	452,384	-	452,384
Unrestricted	<u>(7,699,099)</u>	<u>3,424,795</u>	<u>(4,274,304)</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 26,335,864</u>	<u>\$ 7,730,809</u>	<u>\$ 34,066,673</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
General government	\$ 2,679,359	\$ 140,703	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,538,656)	\$ -	\$ (2,538,656)
Public safety	7,677,085	653,153	56,520	-	(6,967,412)	-	(6,967,412)
Public works	6,229,357	175,315	320,058	393,988	(5,339,996)	-	(5,339,996)
Health and welfare	59,006	-	-	-	(59,006)	-	(59,006)
Culture and recreation	1,199,724	72,092	-	-	(1,127,632)	-	(1,127,632)
Interest	29,314	-	-	-	(29,314)	-	(29,314)
Total Governmental Activities	17,873,845	1,041,263	376,578	393,988	(16,062,016)	-	(16,062,016)
Business-Type Activities:							
Sewer services	1,631,654	1,437,813	25,000	870	-	(167,971)	(167,971)
Total Business-Type Activities	1,631,654	1,437,813	25,000	870	-	(167,971)	(167,971)
Total	\$ 19,505,499	\$ 2,479,076	\$ 401,578	\$ 394,858	(16,062,016)	(167,971)	(16,229,987)
General Revenues, Interfund, and Contributions:							
Taxes					12,701,115	-	12,701,115
Motor vehicle permits					2,845,619	-	2,845,619
Penalties, interest, and other taxes					195,955	-	195,955
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					853,675	-	853,675
Investment income					74,506	3,787	78,293
Miscellaneous					582,064	852	582,916
Interfund					12,325	(12,325)	-
Permanent fund contributions					5,272	-	5,272
Total general revenues, interfund, and contributions					17,270,531	(7,686)	17,262,845
Change in Net Position					1,208,515	(175,657)	1,032,858
Net Position:							
Beginning of year, as restated					25,127,349	7,906,466	33,033,815
End of year					\$ 26,335,864	\$ 7,730,809	\$ 34,066,673

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>General</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 18,892,453	\$ 1,558,515	\$ 20,450,968
Investments	-	825,348	825,348
Restricted cash	593,484	-	593,484
Receivables:			
Property taxes	1,831,898	-	1,831,898
User fees	18,803	448,533	467,336
Intergovernmental	427,712	-	427,712
Other	11,092	-	11,092
Due from other funds	<u>112,471</u>	<u>21,006</u>	<u>133,477</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 21,887,913</u>	<u>\$ 2,853,402</u>	<u>\$ 24,741,315</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 1,749,164	\$ 13,898	\$ 1,763,062
Accrued payroll	96,784	-	96,784
Tax refunds payable	185,919	-	185,919
Due to school district	11,885,526	-	11,885,526
Due to other governments	5,880	-	5,880
Due to other funds	7,000	73,872	80,872
Other liabilities	<u>68,358</u>	<u>22,602</u>	<u>90,960</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	13,998,631	110,372	14,109,003
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,257,199	417,480	1,674,679
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	694,816	694,816
Restricted	-	1,630,734	1,630,734
Committed	593,484	-	593,484
Assigned	1,427,560	-	1,427,560
Unassigned	<u>4,611,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,611,039</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>6,632,083</u>	<u>2,325,550</u>	<u>8,957,633</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 21,887,913</u>	<u>\$ 2,853,402</u>	<u>\$ 24,741,315</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND
 BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL
 ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2015

Total governmental fund balances	\$	8,957,633
• Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		32,608,565
• Long term receivables not yet billed.		667,512
• Revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are not deferred until collection.		1,211,925
• In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.		(12,893)
• Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		<u>(17,096,878)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	\$	<u>26,335,864</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>General</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 12,306,146	\$ -	\$ 12,306,146
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	261,805	-	261,805
Charges for services	290,553	691,976	982,529
Intergovernmental	1,624,241	-	1,624,241
Licenses and permits	2,939,238	-	2,939,238
Investment income	22,621	51,885	74,506
Contributions	-	5,272	5,272
Miscellaneous	417,372	164,692	582,064
Total Revenues	<u>17,861,976</u>	<u>913,825</u>	<u>18,775,801</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	2,316,170	392,412	2,708,582
Public safety	6,966,506	448,809	7,415,315
Public works	5,509,162	-	5,509,162
Health and welfare	58,314	-	58,314
Culture and recreation	1,150,943	19,348	1,170,291
Capital outlay	1,453,624	-	1,453,624
Debt service	319,566	-	319,566
Total Expenditures	<u>17,774,285</u>	<u>860,569</u>	<u>18,634,854</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	87,691	53,256	140,947
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in	22,625	-	22,625
Transfers out	-	(10,300)	(10,300)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>22,625</u>	<u>(10,300)</u>	<u>12,325</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	110,316	42,956	153,272
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year	<u>6,521,767</u>	<u>2,282,594</u>	<u>8,804,361</u>
Fund Equity, at End of Year	<u>\$ 6,632,083</u>	<u>\$ 2,325,550</u>	<u>\$ 8,957,633</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
 EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	153,272																					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense: <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Capital outlay purchases, net of disposals</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">1,802,563</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deposits for assets acquired during year</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(83,800)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Depreciation</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(1,468,337)</td> </tr> </table> • Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are fully deferred in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (i.e., property tax) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in deferred revenue. <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">359,733</td> </tr> </table> • The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position: <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Repayments of debt</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">286,104</td> </tr> </table> • In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due. <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">4,148</td> </tr> </table> • Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">154,832</td> </tr> </table> 			Capital outlay purchases, net of disposals		1,802,563	Deposits for assets acquired during year		(83,800)	Depreciation		(1,468,337)			359,733	Repayments of debt		286,104			4,148			154,832
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		154,832																					
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u>1,208,515</u>																					

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES, AND EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget		
Revenues and Other Sources:				
Taxes	\$ 12,280,230	\$ 12,280,230	\$ 12,280,230	\$ -
Licenses, permits, and fees	2,908,675	2,908,675	2,939,238	30,563
Intergovernmental	1,330,990	1,330,990	1,341,818	10,828
Charges for services	311,308	311,308	277,650	(33,658)
Investment income	20,000	20,000	22,189	2,189
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	260,929	260,929	261,805	876
Miscellaneous	394,907	394,907	417,372	22,465
Transfers in	13,642	13,642	22,625	8,983
Use of fund balance	200,000	200,000	200,000	-
Total Revenues and Other Sources	17,720,681	17,720,681	17,762,927	42,246
Expenditures and Other Uses:				
General government	2,396,345	2,396,345	2,269,303	127,042
Public safety	7,366,520	7,366,520	6,934,086	432,434
Public works	4,985,895	4,985,895	4,829,447	156,448
Health and welfare	82,819	82,819	58,314	24,505
Culture and recreation	1,165,826	1,165,826	1,150,283	15,543
Capital outlay	1,203,705	1,203,705	1,164,503	39,202
Transfer out	200,000	200,000	200,000	-
Debt service	319,571	319,571	319,566	5
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	17,720,681	17,720,681	16,925,502	795,179
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 837,425	\$ 837,425

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Business-Type Activities <u>Enterprise Funds</u> Sewer <u>Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Current:	
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 3,813,183
User fees, net of allowance for uncollectibles	143,862
Intergovernmental receivables	9,113
Other assets	<u>37,241</u>
Total current assets	4,003,399
Noncurrent:	
Capital assets:	
Land and construction in progress	335,843
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>4,850,727</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>5,186,570</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>37,097</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	9,227,066
LIABILITIES	
Current:	
Accounts payable	95,463
Accrued liabilities	4,784
Due to other funds	52,605
Other liabilities	57,185
Current portion of long-term liabilities:	
Bonds payable	184,342
Other liabilities	<u>269</u>
Total current liabilities	394,648
Noncurrent:	
Bonds payable, net of current portion	696,214
Net pension liability	316,327
Other liabilities, net of current portion	<u>2,416</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	1,014,957
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>86,652</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,496,257
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	4,306,014
Unrestricted	<u>3,424,795</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 7,730,809</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds Sewer Fund
Operating Revenues:	
Charges for services	\$ 1,437,813
Miscellaneous	<u>852</u>
Total Operating Revenues	1,438,665
Operating Expenses:	
Sewer treatment	895,432
Depreciation	<u>718,529</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>1,613,961</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	(175,296)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):	
Investment income	3,787
Intergovernmental revenue	25,870
Interest expense	<u>(17,693)</u>
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses), Net	<u>11,964</u>
Income Before Transfers	(163,332)
Transfers:	
Transfers out	<u>(12,325)</u>
Change in Net Position	(175,657)
Net Position at Beginning of Year, as restated	<u>7,906,466</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u>\$ 7,730,809</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Business-Type Activities <u>Enterprise Funds</u> Sewer Fund
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</u>	
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 1,423,953
Payments to vendors and employees	<u>(900,772)</u>
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	523,181
<u>Cash Flows from Noncapital and Related Financing Activities:</u>	
Transfers to other funds	<u>(12,325)</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Noncapital and Related Financing Activities	(12,325)
<u>Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:</u>	
Acquisition and construction of capital assets, net of disposals	(335,843)
Subsidy from State grants	34,983
Principal payments on bonds and notes	(182,515)
Interest expense	<u>(17,693)</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities	(501,068)
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</u>	
Investment income	<u>3,787</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Investing Activities	<u>3,787</u>
Net Change in Cash and Short-Term Investments	13,575
Cash and Short-Term Investments, Beginning of Year	<u>3,799,608</u>
Cash and Short-Term Investments, End of Year	<u>\$ 3,813,183</u>
<u>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by (Used For) Operating Activities:</u>	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (175,296)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:	
Depreciation	718,529
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
User fees	(14,712)
Other assets	
Accounts payable	(46,982)
Accrued liabilities	(39,033)
Other liabilities	50,118
Net pension liability	<u>30,557</u>
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	<u>\$ 523,181</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and short term investments	\$ -	\$ 686,390
Investments	<u>528,916</u>	<u>625,345</u>
Total Assets	528,916	1,311,735
 <u>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</u>		
Escrow deposits	<u>-</u>	<u>1,311,735</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>1,311,735</u>
 <u>NET POSITION</u>		
Total net position held in trust	\$ <u><u>528,916</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>
Additions:	
Contributions	\$ 7,358
Investment income	<u>37,857</u>
Total additions	45,215
Deductions:	
Other	<u>17,929</u>
Total deductions	<u>17,929</u>
Net increase	27,286
Net position:	
Beginning of year	<u>501,630</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 528,916</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE**Notes to Financial Statements****1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire (the Town) conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the government and applicable component units for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. In 2015, it was determined that no entities met the required GASB 14 (as amended) criteria of component units.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers property tax revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- The *general fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and

services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The government reports the sewer enterprise fund as a major proprietary fund.

The *private-purpose trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the permanent fund, under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

D. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Cash balances from all funds, except those required to be segregated by law, are combined to form a consolidation of cash. Cash balances are invested to the extent available, and interest earnings are recognized in the general fund. Certain special revenue, proprietary, and fiduciary funds segregate cash, and investment earnings become a part of those funds.

Deposits with financial institutions consist primarily of demand deposits, certificates of deposits, and savings accounts.

For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the proprietary funds consider investments with original maturities of three months or less to be short-term investments.

E. Investments

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available. Deposits in any financial institution may not exceed certain levels within the financial institution. Non-fiduciary fund investments can be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government or agencies that have a maturity of one year or less from the date of purchase and repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase.

Investments for the trust funds consist of marketable securities, bonds, and short-term money market investments. Investments are carried at market value.

F. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Transactions between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the year are referred to as either "due from/to other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans).

G. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (for enterprise funds only), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	40
Building improvements	40
Infrastructure	30 - 75
Vehicles	5
Office equipment	5
Computer equipment	5

H. Compensated Absences

It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vested sick and vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

I. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt, and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type Statement of Net Position.

J. Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as “fund balance”. Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as “net position”.

Fund Balance - Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities/deferred inflows. The Town reserves those portions of fund balance that are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available, spendable resources and therefore, are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unassigned fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance that is available for appropriation in future periods.

The Town’s fund balance classification policies and procedures are as follows:

- 1) Nonspendable funds are either unspendable in the current form (i.e., inventory or prepaid items) or can never be spent (i.e., perpetual care).
- 2) Restricted funds are used solely for the purpose in which the fund was established. In the case of special revenue funds, these funds are created by statute or otherwise have external constraints on how the funds can be expended.
- 3) Committed funds are reported and expended as a result of motions passed by the highest decision making authority in the government (i.e., Town Meeting).
- 4) Assigned funds are used for specific purposes as established by management. These funds, which include encumbrances, have been assigned for specific goods and services ordered but not yet paid for. This account also includes fund balance voted to be used in the subsequent year.
- 5) Unassigned funds are available to be spent in future periods.

When an expenditure is incurred that would qualify for payment from multiple fund balance types, the Town uses the following order to liquidate liabilities: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Net Position - Net position represents the difference between assets/deferred outflows and liabilities/deferred inflows. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Town or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The remaining net position is reported as unrestricted.

K. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements, and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenditures/expenses during the year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

2. **Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability**

A. Budgetary Information

The Town's budget is originally prepared by the Selectmen's office with the cooperation of the various department heads. It is then submitted to the Budget Committee, in accordance with the Municipal Budget Law. After reviewing the budget, the Committee holds a public hearing for discussion.

The final version of the budget is then submitted for approval at the annual Town Meeting. The approved budget is subsequently reported to the State of New Hampshire on the statement of appropriation form in order to establish the current property tax rate.

The Selectmen cannot increase the total of the approved budget; however, they have the power to reclassify its components when necessary.

B. Budgetary Basis

The general fund final appropriation appearing on the "Budget and Actual" page of the fund financial statements represents the final amended budget after all reserve fund transfers and supplemental appropriations.

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation

The budgetary data for the general fund is based upon accounting principles that differ from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Therefore, in addition to the GAAP basis financial statements, the results of operations of the general fund are presented in accordance with budgetary accounting principles to provide a meaningful comparison to budgetary data.

The following is a summary of adjustments made to the actual revenues and other sources, and expenditures and other uses, to conform to the budgetary basis of accounting.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>
Revenues/Expenditures (GAAP basis)	\$ 17,861,976	\$ 17,774,285
Other financing sources/uses (GAAP basis)	<u>22,625</u>	<u>-</u>
Subtotal (GAAP Basis)	17,884,601	17,774,285
Adjust tax revenue to accrual basis	(25,916)	-
Reverse beginning of year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	(1,803,285)
Add end-of-year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	1,260,092
Recognize use of fund balance as funding source	200,000	-
GAAP timing differences	(295,326)	(486,019)
To eliminate capital reserve activity	<u>(432)</u>	<u>180,429</u>
Budgetary basis	<u>\$ 17,762,927</u>	<u>\$ 16,925,502</u>

3. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the deposits may not be returned. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party.

Pursuant to NH Statute, "the treasurer shall insure that prior to acceptance of any moneys for deposit or investment, including repurchase agreements, the federally insured bank shall make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the Town." Although the Town has an investment policy, it does not discuss custodial credit risk.

As of December 31, 2015, \$109,332 of the Town's bank balance of \$27,621,324 was exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured or uncollateralized.

4. Investments

A. Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. State law employs the prudent person rule whereby investments are made as a prudent person would be expected to act, with discretion and intelligence, to seek reasonable income, preserve capital, and, in general, avoid speculative investments.

Presented below is the actual rating as of year-end for each investment of the Town:

Investment Type	Fair Value	Minimum Legal Rating	Exempt From Disclosure	Rating as of Year End			
				Aaa	Aa	A	Baa
U.S. Treasury notes	\$ 99,707	N/A	\$ -	\$ 99,707	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Corporate bonds	355,123		-	-	76,269	254,160	24,694
Corporate equities	1,179,701	N/A	1,179,701	-	-	-	-
Mutual funds	73,444	N/A	73,444	-	-	-	-
Federal agency securities	<u>271,634</u>		-	<u>271,634</u>	-	-	-
Total investments	<u>\$ 1,979,609</u>		<u>\$ 1,253,145</u>	<u>\$ 371,341</u>	<u>\$ 76,269</u>	<u>\$ 254,160</u>	<u>\$ 24,694</u>

B. Concentration of Credit Risk

Since the Town's investments all relate to trust funds, the Trustees of Trust Funds determines investment allocations for the Town's current investments. The Trustees' policy limits the amount the Town may invest in any one issuer to 8%.

C. Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. Although the Trustees of Trust Funds have an investment policy, the policy does not limit investment maturities as a means of managing the Town's exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Town's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is as follows:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Investment Maturities (in Years)</u>			
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less Than 1</u>	<u>1-5</u>	<u>6-10</u>
U.S. Treasury notes	\$ 99,707	\$ -	\$ 99,707	\$ -
Corporate bonds	355,123	-	279,919	75,204
Federal agency securities	<u>271,634</u>	<u>111,466</u>	<u>110,939</u>	<u>49,229</u>
Total	<u>\$ 726,464</u>	<u>\$ 111,466</u>	<u>\$ 490,565</u>	<u>\$ 124,433</u>

5. Restricted Cash

Restricted cash represents capital reserve funds held by the trustees of trust funds as of December 31, 2015.

6. Taxes Receivable

The Town bills property taxes semi-annually, in June and November. Property tax revenues are recognized in the year for which taxes have been levied to the extent that they become available, i.e., due or receivable, within the current year and collected within the current period or within 60 days of year-end.

Property taxes billed or collected in advance of the year for which they are levied are recorded as a prepaid tax liability, as they are intended to finance the subsequent year's budget.

The Town annually raises through tax levy an amount (overlay for abatements) for property tax abatements and interest refunds. All abatements and interest refunds are charged to overlay.

Property taxes are due on July 1 and December 1. Delinquent accounts are charged 12% interest. In March of the next year, a lien is recorded on delinquent property at the Registry of Deeds. The Town purchases all the delinquent accounts by paying the delinquent balance, recording costs, and accrued interest. The accounts that are liened by the Town will be reclassified from property taxes receivable to unredeemed tax liens receivable. After this date, delinquent accounts will be charged interest at a rate of 18%. The Town annually budgets amounts (overlay for abatements) for property tax abatements and refunds.

Taxes receivable at December 31, 2015 consist of the following:

Real estate:		
2015 levy	\$	1,223,709
Timber yield tax:		
2015 levy		650
Unredeemed taxes		
2014 levy		355,231
2013 levy		183,358
2012 levy		15,574
2011 and prior levy		10,109
Elderly liens		<u>43,267</u>
Total	\$	<u>1,831,898</u>

7. **Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

The receivables reported in the accompanying entity-wide financial statements reflect the following estimated allowances for doubtful accounts:

	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-Type</u>
Property taxes	\$ 78,126	\$ -
Special assessments	\$ 1,913	\$ -
Emergency medical services	\$ 327,519	\$ -
Utilities	\$ -	\$ 10,898

8. **Intergovernmental Receivables**

This balance represents reimbursements requested from Federal and State agencies for expenditures incurred in 2015, while the balance in the Sewer fund represents reimbursements from the State of New Hampshire to help finance future debt service costs on certain bonds payable.

9. Interfund Fund Receivables/Payables

Although self-balancing funds are maintained, most transactions flow through the general fund. In order to obtain accountability for each fund, interfund receivable and payable accounts must be utilized. The following is an analysis of the December 31, 2015 balances in interfund receivable and payable accounts:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Due From Other Funds</u>	<u>Due To Other Funds</u>
General Fund	\$ 112,471	\$ 7,000
Special Revenue Funds:		
Emergency medical services	14,006	73,872
Conservation	7,000	-
Enterprise Funds	-	52,605
Total	<u>\$ 133,477</u>	<u>\$ 133,477</u>

10. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2015 was as follows (in thousands):

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Reclassifications</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental Activities:					
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	\$ 3,923	\$ 44	\$ -	\$ 392	\$ 4,359
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	10,795	781	(189)	(392)	10,995
Infrastructure	30,961	497	-	-	31,458
Total capital assets, being depreciated	45,679	1,322	(189)	-	46,812
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings and improvements	(2,236)	(94)	-	(519)	(2,849)
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(6,490)	(606)	116	519	(6,461)
Infrastructure	(10,315)	(768)	-	-	(11,083)
Total accumulated depreciation	(19,041)	(1,468)	116	-	(20,393)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	26,638	(146)	(73)	-	26,419
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	5,519	-	-	-	5,519
Construction in progress	117	578	(24)	-	671
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	5,636	578	(24)	-	6,190
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 32,274</u>	<u>\$ 432</u>	<u>\$ (97)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 32,609</u>

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Business-Type Activities:					
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	\$ 31	\$ -	\$ (31)	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	15,664	-	-	-	15,664
Total capital assets, being depreciated	15,695	-	(31)	-	15,664
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(31)	-	31	-	-
Infrastructure	(10,095)	(719)	-	-	(10,814)
Total accumulated depreciation	(10,126)	(719)	31	-	(10,814)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	5,569	(719)	-	-	4,850
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Construction in progress	-	336	-	-	336
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	-	336	-	-	336
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 5,569	\$ (383)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,186

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the Town as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General government	\$ 33,408
Public safety	382,618
Public works	1,024,124
Culture and recreation	28,187
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 1,468,337
Business-Type Activities:	
Sewer	\$ 718,529
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	\$ 718,529

11. Deferred Outflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent the consumption of net assets by the Town that is applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred outflows of resources have a positive effect on net position, similar to assets.

The following is a summary of deferred outflow of resources balances as of December 31, 2015:

	Entity-wide Basis		Fund Basis
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Proprietary Funds Sewer
Pension related:			
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	\$ 851,652	\$ 20,308	\$ 20,308
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	81,115	1,934	1,934
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	622,965	14,855	14,855
Total	\$ <u>1,555,732</u>	\$ <u>37,097</u>	\$ <u>37,097</u>

12. Accounts Payable

Accounts payable represents 2015 expenditures paid after December 31, 2015.

13. Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources are the acquisition of net assets by the Town that are applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred inflows of resources have a negative effect on net position, similar to liabilities.

The deferred inflow of resources balances as of December 31, 2015:

	Entity-wide Basis		Fund Basis		Proprietary Funds Sewer
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Governmental Funds General Fund	EMS Fund	
Unavailable revenues - property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,202,003	\$ -	\$ -
Unavailable revenues	-	39,598	-	-	39,598
Taxes paid in advance	55,196	-	55,196	417,480	-
Pension related:					
Differences between expected and actual experience	291,102	6,941	-	-	6,941
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	1,206,193	28,762	-	-	28,762
Changes in proportion and differences between pension contributions and proportionate share of contributions	476,032	11,351	-	-	11,351
Total	\$ <u>2,028,523</u>	\$ <u>86,652</u>	\$ <u>1,257,199</u>	\$ <u>417,480</u>	\$ <u>86,652</u>

14. Long-Term Debt

A. General Obligation Bonds

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds have been issued for both governmental and business-type activities. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Serial Maturities Through</u>	<u>Interest Rate(s) %</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding as of 12/31/15</u>
State revolving loan program	06/01/16	2.73%	\$ 164,000
State revolving loan program	10/01/17	2.47%	8,619
Lynchvill/Danis Park	07/01/30	2.86%	641,916
South Mast Road Project	12/01/16	0.85%	<u>84,617</u>
Total Governmental Activities:			<u>\$ 899,152</u>

<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>	<u>Serial Maturities Through</u>	<u>Interest Rate(s) %</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding as of 12/31/15</u>
08/01 Sewer Bond	08/15/16	4.50%	\$ 75,000
Mast Road Upgrade Project	10/01/22	1.70%	<u>805,556</u>
Total Business-Type Activities:			<u>\$ 880,556</u>

B. Future Debt Service

The annual payments to retire all general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2015 are as follows:

<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2016	\$ 287,787	\$ 25,515	\$ 313,302
2017	40,165	17,536	57,701
2018	36,884	16,359	53,243
2019	37,941	15,302	53,243
2020	39,027	14,217	53,244
2021 - 2025	212,558	53,661	266,219
2026 - 2030	<u>244,790</u>	<u>21,429</u>	<u>266,219</u>
Total	<u>\$ 899,152</u>	<u>\$ 164,019</u>	<u>\$ 1,063,171</u>

The general fund has been designated as the sole source to repay the governmental-type general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2015.

<u>Business-Type</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2016	\$ 184,342	\$ 17,294	\$ 201,636
2017	111,201	11,936	123,137
2018	113,092	9,945	123,037
2019	115,014	8,023	123,037
2020	116,969	6,067	123,036
2021 - 2025	<u>239,938</u>	<u>6,136</u>	<u>246,074</u>
Total	\$ <u>880,556</u>	\$ <u>59,401</u>	\$ <u>939,957</u>

C. Changes in General Long-Term Liabilities

During the year ended December 31, 2015, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities (in thousands):

	Total Balance 1/1/15	Additions	Reductions	Total Balance 12/31/15	Less Current Portion	Equals Long-Term Portion 12/31/15
<u>Governmental Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 1,185	\$ -	\$ (286)	\$ 899	\$ (288)	\$ 611
Net pension liability	13,087	179	-	13,266	-	13,266
Other:						
Landfill closure	612	-	(34)	578	(34)	544
OPEB liability	1,536	199	-	1,735	-	1,735
Accrued employee benefits	208	-	(7)	201	(20)	181
Totals	\$ <u>16,628</u>	\$ <u>378</u>	\$ <u>(327)</u>	\$ <u>16,679</u>	\$ <u>(342)</u>	\$ <u>16,337</u>
<u>Business-Type Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 1,063	\$ -	\$ (183)	\$ 880	\$ (184)	\$ 696
Net pension liability	312	4	-	316	-	316
Other:						
Accrued employee benefits	3	-	-	3	-	3
Totals	\$ <u>1,378</u>	\$ <u>4</u>	\$ <u>(183)</u>	\$ <u>1,199</u>	\$ <u>(184)</u>	\$ <u>1,015</u>

15. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

State and Federal laws and regulations require the Town to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. Although closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the Town reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as a liability in the financial statements in each period based on landfill the Town used as of each balance sheet date.

The final capping of the landfill site was completed in September 2002. The Town has reflected \$578,000 as the estimate of the remaining post-closure care liability at December 31, 2015 in the Governmental Activities Statement of Net Position. Actual cost may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

16. Restricted Net Position

The accompanying entity-wide financial statements report restricted net position when external constraints from grantors or contributors are placed on net position.

Permanent fund restricted net position is segregated between nonexpendable and expendable. The nonexpendable portion represents the original restricted principal contribution, and the expendable represents accumulated earnings which are available to be spent based on donor restrictions.

17. Governmental Funds - Balances

Fund balances are segregated to account for resources that are either not available for expenditure in the future or are legally set aside for a specific future use.

The Town has implemented GASB Statement No. 54 (GASB 54), *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying existing governmental fund type definitions.

The following types of fund balances are reported at December 31, 2015:

Nonspendable - Represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. This fund balance classification includes general fund reserves for prepaid expenditures and nonmajor governmental fund reserves for the principal portion of permanent trust funds.

Restricted - Represents amounts that are restricted to specific purposes by constraints imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances funded by bond issuances, various special revenue funds, and the income portion of permanent trust funds.

Committed - Represents amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Town's highest level of decision-making authority. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances for non-lapsing, special article appropriations approved at Town Meeting, capital reserve funds set aside by Town Meeting vote for future capital acquisitions and improvements (now reported as part of the general fund per GASB 54), and various special revenue funds.

Assigned - Represents amounts that are constrained by the Town's intent to use these resources for a specific purpose. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances that have been established by various Town departments for the expenditure of current year budgetary financial resources upon vendor performance in the subsequent budgetary period.

Unassigned - Represents amounts that are available to be spent in future periods.

Following is a breakdown of the Town's fund balances at December 31, 2015:

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Nonspendable			
Nonexpendable permanent funds	\$ -	\$ 694,816	\$ 694,816
Total Nonexpendable	-	694,816	694,816
Restricted			
Special revenue funds	-	1,178,350	1,178,350
Expendable permanent funds	-	452,384	452,384
Total Restricted	-	1,630,734	1,630,734
Committed			
Capital reserve funds	593,484	-	593,484
Total Committed	593,484	-	593,484
Assigned			
Encumbrances	1,260,092	-	1,260,092
Reserved for expenditures	167,468	-	167,468
Total Assigned	1,427,560	-	1,427,560
Unassigned			
Unassigned	4,611,039	-	4,611,039
Total Unassigned	4,611,039	-	4,611,039
Total Fund Balance	\$ 6,632,083	\$ 2,325,550	\$ 8,957,633

18. General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance

The unassigned general fund balance reported on the balance sheet is stated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which differs in respect to how unassigned fund balance is reported in accordance with the budgetary basis for reporting for the State of New Hampshire for tax rate setting purposes. The major difference is the State of New Hampshire considers revenues in connection with property tax receivables to be available to liquidate liabilities when billed rather than received.

The following summarizes the specific differences between GAAP basis and budgetary basis of reporting the general fund unassigned fund balance:

GAAP basis balance	\$ 4,611,039
Unearned revenue - property tax	1,257,199
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(88,179)
Accrued payroll	97,166
Tax deeded property	<u>60,167</u>
Tax Rate Setting Balance	<u>\$ 5,937,392</u>

19. Commitments and Contingencies

Outstanding Legal Issues - There are several pending legal issues in which the Town is involved. The Town's management is of the opinion that the potential future settlement of such claims would not materially affect its financial statements taken as a whole.

Grants - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

20. Post-Employment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits**Other Post-Employment Benefits**

GASB Statement 45 *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, requires governments to account for other post-employment benefits (OPEB), primarily healthcare, on an accrual basis rather than on a pay-as-you-go basis. The effect is the recognition of an actuarially required contribution as an expense on the Statement of Activities when a future retiree earns their post-employment benefits, rather than when they use their post-employment benefit. To the extent that an entity

does not fund their actuarially required contribution, a post-employment benefit liability is recognized on the Statement of Net Position over time.

A. Plan Description

In addition to providing the pension benefits described, the Town provides post-employment healthcare and life insurance benefits for retired employees through the Town's plan. The benefits, benefit levels, employee contributions and employer contributions are governed by RSA 100-A:50. As of January 1, 2015, the actuarial valuation date, approximately 31 retirees and 117 active employees meet the eligibility requirements. The plan does not issue a separate financial report.

B. Benefits Provided

The Town provides medical, prescription drug, mental health/substance abuse, and life insurance to retirees and their covered dependents. All active employees who retire from the Town and meet the eligibility criteria will receive these benefits.

C. Funding Policy

Retirees contribute 100% of the cost of the health plan, as determined by the Town.

D. Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation

The Town's 2015 annual OPEB expense is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost per year and amortize the unfunded actuarial liability over a period of thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year ending December 31, 2015, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and the change in the Town's net OPEB obligation based on an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2015.

Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$ 266,249
Interest on net OPEB obligation	61,439
Adjustment to ARC	<u>(80,418)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	247,270
Contributions made	<u>(47,982)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	199,288
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>1,535,979</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	<u>\$ 1,735,267</u>

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Percentage of OPEB Cost Contributed</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation</u>
2015	\$ 247,270	19.4%	\$ 1,735,267
2014	\$ 336,865	21.8%	\$ 1,535,979
2013	\$ 320,693	18.7%	\$ 1,272,418

E. Funded Status and Funding Progress

The funded status of the plan as of January 1, 2015, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation, was as follows:

Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$ 2,191,524
Actuarial value of plan assets	<u>-</u>
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	<u>\$ 2,191,524</u>
Funded ratio (actuarial value of plan assets/AAL)	<u>0.0%</u>
Covered payroll (active plan members)	<u>\$ 7,087,253</u>
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>30.9%</u>

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amount and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples included assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the Notes to the Financial Statements, presents multiyear trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

F. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the plan as understood by the Town and the plan members and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the Town and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued

liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the January 1, 2015 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit cost method was used. The actuarial value of assets was not determined, as the Town has not advanced funded its obligation. The actuarial assumptions included a 4% investment rate of return and an initial annual healthcare cost trend rate of 9% which decreases to a 5% long-term rate for all healthcare benefits after ten years. The amortization costs for the initial UAAL is a level percentage of payroll for a period of 30 years, on a closed basis. This has been calculated assuming the amortization payment increases at a rate of 2.5%.

21. **Retirement System**

The Town follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, with respect to the State of New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS).

A. Plan Description

Full-time employees participate in the New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service, disability, death, and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Substantially all full-time state employees, public school teachers and administrators, permanent firefighters, and permanent police officers within the State of New Hampshire are eligible and required to participate in the system. Full-time employees of political subdivisions, including counties, municipalities, and school districts, are also eligible to participate as a group if the governing body of the political subdivision has elected participation.

The New Hampshire Retirement System, a Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), is divided into two membership groups. State or local employees and teachers belong to Group I. Police officers and firefighters belong to Group II. All assets are held in a single trust and are available to each group. Additional information is disclosed in the NHRS annual report publicly available from the New Hampshire Retirement System located at 54 Regional Drive, Concord, New Hampshire 03301-8507.

B. Benefits Provided

Group I members at age 60 or 65 (for members who commence service after July 1, 2011) qualify for a normal service retirement allowance based

on years of creditable service and average final salary for the highest of either three or five years, depending on when their service commenced. The yearly pension amount is $1/60$ or 1.667% of average final compensation (AFC), multiplied by years of creditable service. At age 65, the yearly pension amount is recalculated at $1/66$ or 1.515% of AFC multiplied by years of creditable service.

Group II members who are age 60, or members who are at least age 45 with at least 20 years of creditable service, can receive a retirement allowance at a rate of 2.5% of AFC for each year of creditable service, not to exceed 40 years. Members commencing service on or after July 1, 2011 or members who have a nonvested status as of January 1, 2012 can receive a retirement allowance at age 52.5 with 25 years of service or age 60. The benefit shall be equal to 2% of AFC times creditable service up to 42.5 years. However, a member who commenced service on or after July 1, 2011 shall not receive a retirement allowance until attaining the age of 52.5, but may receive a reduced allowance after age 50 if the member has at least 25 years of creditable service where the allowance shall be reduced, for each month by which the benefit commencement date precedes the month after which the member attains 52.5 years of age by $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% or age 60.

Members of both groups may qualify for vested deferred allowances, disability allowances and death benefit allowances subject to meeting various eligibility requirements. Benefits are based on AFC or earned compensation and/or service.

C. Contributions

Plan members are required to contribute a percentage of their gross earnings to the pension plan, which the contribution rates are 7% for employees and teachers, 11.55% for police and 11.80% for fire. The Town makes annual contributions to the pension plan equal to the amount required by Revised Statutes Annotated 100-A:16, and range from 10.77% to 29.16% of covered compensation. The Town's contributions to NHRS for the year ended December 31, 2015 were \$1,173,354, which was equal to their annual required contribution.

D. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the NHRS and additions to/deductions from NHRS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by NHRS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

E. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At December 31, 2015, the Town reported a liability of \$13,581,973, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014. The Town's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Town's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2014, the Town's proportion was .35697821%.

At the most recent measurement date of June 30, 2015, the Town's proportion was .34284690%, which was a decrease of .0141313% from the previous year proportion.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the Town recognized pension expense of \$789,666. In addition, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 298,043
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	871,960	1,234,955
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	83,049	487,383
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>637,820</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,592,829</u>	<u>\$ 2,020,381</u>

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in June 30, 2016. Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2016	\$ 288,434
2017	(349,386)
2018	(349,386)
2019	53,231
2020	<u>(70,445)</u>
Total	\$ <u>(427,552)</u>

Actuarial assumptions: The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0 percent per year
Salary increases	3.75 - 5.8 percent average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 mortality table, projected to 2020 with Scale AA. The table includes a margin of 15% for men and 17% for woman for mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014 valuation were based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience study, which was for the period July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was selected from a best estimate range determined using the building block approach. Under this method, an expected future real return range is calculated separately for each asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return net of investment expenses by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation Percentage	Weighted Average Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Large Cap Equities	22.50 %	3.00%
Small/Mid Cap Equities	7.50	3.00%
Total domestic equities	30.00	
Int'l Equities (unhedged)	13.00	4.00%
Emerging Int'l Equities	7.00	6.00%
Total international equities	20.00	
Core Bonds	4.50	-0.70%
Short Duration	2.50	-1.00%
Global Multi-Sector Fixed Income	11.00	0.28%
Unconstrained Fixed Income	7.00	0.16%
Total fixed income	25.00	
Private equity	5.00	5.00%
Private debt	5.00	4.50%
Real estate	10.00	3.50%
Opportunistic	5.00	2.75%
Total alternative investments	25.00	
Total	100.00 %	

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. For purposes of the projection, member contributions and employer service cost contributions are projected based on the expected payroll of current members only. Employer contributions are determined based on the pension plan's actuarial funding policy and as required by RSA 100-A:16. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate: The following presents the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.75%) or one percentage-point higher (8.75%) than the current rate:

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
June 30, 2015	\$ 17,878,902	\$ 13,581,973	\$ 9,918,816

Pension plan fiduciary net position: Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued NHRS financial report.

22. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and have been no material settlements in excess of coverage in any of the past three years.

23. Beginning Net Position Restatement

The beginning (January 1, 2015) net position of the Town has been restated as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities Sewer Fund</u>
As previously reported	\$ 39,189,706	\$ 8,241,791
GASB 68 implementation	<u>(14,062,357)</u>	<u>(335,325)</u>
As restated	<u>\$ 25,127,349</u>	<u>\$ 7,906,466</u>

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
December 31, 2015
(Unaudited)

Other Post-Employment Benefits

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) - Entry Age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percent- age of Covered Payroll [(b-a)/c]
01/01/15	\$ -	\$ 2,191,524	\$ 2,191,524	0.0%	\$ 7,087,253	30.9%
01/01/12	\$ -	\$ 2,534,515	\$ 2,534,515	0.0%	\$ 7,103,062	35.7%
01/01/08	\$ -	\$ 2,065,337	\$ 2,065,337	0.0%	\$ 5,745,877	35.9%

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE
OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2015
(Unaudited)

<u>New Hampshire Retirement System:</u>	<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability for the most recent measurement date	0.34284690%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability for the most recent measurement date	\$ 13,581,973
Covered payroll for the most recent measurement date	\$ 7,484,563
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	181.47%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	65.50%

Schedules are intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHEDULE OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2015
(Unaudited)

<u>New Hampshire Retirement System:</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution for the current fiscal year	\$ 1,173,354
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(1,173,354)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>
Covered payroll for the current fiscal year	\$ 7,423,050
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15.81%

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 ANNUALLY BUDGETED SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>		
Revenues:				
Charges for services	\$ <u>420,691</u>	\$ <u>420,691</u>	\$ <u>482,035</u>	\$ <u>61,344</u>
Total Revenues	420,691	420,691	482,035	61,344
Expenditures:				
Public safety	<u>420,691</u>	<u>420,691</u>	<u>356,232</u>	<u>64,459</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>420,691</u>	<u>420,691</u>	<u>356,232</u>	<u>64,459</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 125,803</u>	<u>\$ 125,803</u>

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (MS-434)



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

**2016
MS-434**

Revised Estimated Revenues Goffstown (RSA 21-J:34)

For Assistance Please Contact:
 NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
 Phone: (603) 230-5090
 Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

Preparer's Certification		
Name	Position	Signature

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
<https://www.proptax.org/>

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenue
Taxes			
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0
3185	Yield Tax	14	\$7,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$138
3189	Other Taxes	14	\$53,244
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	14	\$200,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenue
Licenses, Permits, and Fees			
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	14	\$5,500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	14	\$3,031,495
3230	Building Permits	14	\$40,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	14	\$27,136
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0
State Sources			
3351	Shared Revenues		\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	14	\$853,675
3353	Highway Block Grant	14	\$390,620
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$9,983
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenue
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$0
3379	From Other Governments	14	\$40,000
Charges for Services			
3401-3406	Income from Departments	14	\$139,123
3409	Other Charges	14	\$180,945
Miscellaneous Revenues			
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	14	\$48,200
3502	Interest on Investments	14	\$35,000
3503-3509	Other	14	\$267,670
Interfund Operating Transfers In			
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	14,18	\$662,032
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	14	\$1,618,010
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	14	\$1,500
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0
Other Financing Sources			
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	,13	\$2,300,000
Revised Estimated Revenues Summary			Goffstown
Subtotal of Revenues			\$9,911,271
Unassigned Fund Balance (unreserved)		\$5,937,392	
Less Emergency Appropriations (RSA 32:11)		\$0	
Less Voted from Fund Balance		\$505,000	
Less Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	
Fund Balance Retained		\$5,432,392	
Total Revenues and Credits			\$10,416,271
Requested Overlay		\$250,000	

2016 TAX RATE CALCULATION



New Hampshire
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Administration

2016
\$26.43

Tax Rate Breakdown Goffstown

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$13,418,167	\$1,446,200,800	\$9.28
County	\$1,849,463	\$1,446,200,800	\$1.28
Local Education	\$19,596,105	\$1,446,200,800	\$13.55
State Education	\$3,228,428	\$1,389,768,100	\$2.32
Total	\$38,092,163		\$26.43

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Goffstown Village	\$0	\$262,075,700	\$0.00
Grasmere Village Water	\$0	\$56,074,800	\$0.00
Total	\$0		\$0.00

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$38,092,163
War Service Credits	(\$426,000)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$37,666,163

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10/5/2016

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$23,215,009	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$10,015,758)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$505,000)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$426,000	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$297,916	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$13,418,167	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$1,849,463	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$1,849,463	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$29,668,695	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$6,844,162)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$3,228,428)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$19,596,105	
State Education Tax	\$3,228,428	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$3,228,428	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$1,446,200,800	\$1,349,173,300
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$1,389,768,100	\$1,308,499,900
Village (MS-1V)		
Description	Current Year	
Goffstown Village	\$262,075,700	
Grasmere Village Water	\$56,074,800	

Goffstown

Tax Commitment Verification

2016 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II	
Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$37,666,163
1/2% Amount	\$188,331
Acceptable High	\$37,854,494
Acceptable Low	\$37,477,832

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

Commitment Amount	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
Net amount after TIF adjustment	

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2016 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:	Date:
Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing	

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Goffstown	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2016 Tax Rate	\$26.43	\$13.22
Associated Villages		
Goffstown Village	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grasmere Village Water	\$0.00	\$0.00

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$3,908,459
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$43,980,546
Final Overlay	\$297,916

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality’s unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality’s stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that “...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures.” [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.
 [2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2009), *Best Practice: Determining the Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund*.
 [3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance*.

2016 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Goffstown	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (12.35%)	\$5,432,392
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$7,476,693
10% Retained	\$4,398,055
8% Retained	\$3,518,444
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$2,199,027

2016 RSA 198:4-b II School Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Goffstown

If a school district has adopted RSA 198:4-b II by a vote of the legislative body, the school district may retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 2.5 percent of the current fiscal year's net assessment pursuant to RSA 198:5, for the purpose of having funds on hand to use as a revenue source for emergency expenditures and overexpenditures under RSA 32:11, or to be used as a revenue source to reduce the tax rate. This retained fund balance is not cumulative. The maximum allowed fund balance retention has been calculated as:

	Net Assessment	2.5% of Net Assessment
Local School	\$22,824,533	\$570,613

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016

Debits			
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies 2015
Property Taxes	3110		\$1,223,709
Land Use Change Taxes	3120		
Yield Taxes	3185		\$650
Excavation Tax	3187		
Other Taxes	3189		\$13,416
Property Tax Credit Balance		-\$4,488	
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance		-\$3,035	
Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies 2015
Property Taxes	3110	\$37,693,041	
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$36,960	
Yield Taxes	3185	\$7,548	
Excavation Tax	3187	\$138	
Other Taxes	3189	\$44,155	
Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies 2015
Property Taxes	3110	\$55,666	\$148,350
Land Use Change Tax	3120		
Yield Taxes	3185		
Excavation Tax	3187		
Deferrals			\$2,889
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$18,975	\$73,680
Total Debits		\$37,848,959	\$1,462,694
Credits			
Remitted to Treasurer	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies 2015
Property Taxes	3110	\$36,768,302	\$837,875
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$14,460	
Yield Taxes	3185	\$7,548	
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	3190	\$18,975	\$73,680
Penalties	3190		
Excavation Taxes	3187	\$138	
Other Taxes	3189	\$34,605	\$4,197
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)			\$402,197
Other Taxes - Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)			\$9,220

Credits Cont.			
Abatements Made	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies
			2015
Property Taxes	3110	\$29,372	\$135,526
Land Use Change Tax	3120		
Yield Taxes	3185		
Excavation Tax	3187		
Other Taxes	3189		
Current Levy Deeded			

Uncollected Taxes - End of Year #1080	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies
			2015
Property Taxes	3110	\$958,271	
Land Use Change Tax	3120		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$22,500	
Excavation Tax	3187		
Other Taxes	3189	\$9,497	
Property Tax Credit Balance		-\$11,727	
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance		-\$2,983	

Total Credits		\$37,848,959	\$1,462,694
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**Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016**

Summary of Debits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		2014	2013	12-10
Unredeemed Liens Balance		\$355,231	\$183,358	\$25,684
Liens Executed	\$431,890			
Interest & Costs Collected	\$9,836	\$49,768	\$57,578	\$14,129
Total Debits	\$441,726	\$404,999	\$240,936	\$39,812

Summary of Credits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		2014	2013	12-10
Redemptions	\$147,443	\$206,541	\$172,315	\$25,684
Interest & Cost Collected (after lien execution) #3190	\$9,836	\$49,768	\$57,578	\$14,129
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$284,466	\$148,691	\$11,043	
Total Credits	\$441,746	\$404,999	\$240,936	\$39,812

2016 PROPERTY TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2016 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2017

The Tax Department wishes to thank the taxpayers of Goffstown for all of your cooperation in 2016. I enjoyed my first year as Tax Collector and look forward to serving you in the many years to come.

**Stephanie Beaudoin
Tax Collector**

BALANCE SHEETS

BALANCE SHEET Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16 FUND 10, General Fund

ASSETS

Cash	\$	2,112,000.55
Payroll Transfer	\$	-
Petty Cash	\$	1,900.00
Returned Checks Outstanding	\$	1,109.00
Road Bonds Escrow	\$	24,694.03
Investments	\$	17,764,093.38
Taxes Receivable	\$	926,239.46
Betterment Receivable	\$	9,497.38
Betterment Not Yet Due Receivable	\$	733,011.38
Tax Liens Receivable	\$	496,168.74
Accounts Receivable	\$	8,477.28
Due From Other Government	\$	226,837.05
Due From Others	\$	3,572.16
Tax Deeded Property	\$	60,167.48
Total Assets	\$	<u>22,367,767.89</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	1,820,662.30
ROAD BONDS PAYABLE	\$	24,694.03
Other Payables	\$	37,475.33
Due To School District	\$	11,100,000.00
Due To Others	\$	50,002.49
Overpayments and prepayments of taxes	\$	13,771.77
Deferred Revenues	\$	1,756,104.69
Tax Refunds Payable	\$	185,918.76
Other Liabilities	\$	1,656.17
Note Payable to MWW	\$	733,011.38
LVDP Receipts Payable	\$	167,467.61
Total Liabilities	\$	15,890,764.53

FUND BALANCE

Non-spendable	\$	-
Restricted	\$	-
Assigned (encumbrances)	\$	435,530.07
Unassigned	\$	6,041,473.29
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>6,477,003.36</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance **\$ 22,367,767.89**

FUND 20, FIRE/EMS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
BALANCE SHEET
 Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 785,169.64
Accounts Receivable	\$ 421,999.50
Due from Other Funds	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,207,169.14</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 467,953.11
Payroll Taxes	\$ -
Withholding-NHRS	\$ -
Due to Other Funds	\$ 14,005.63
Overpayments	\$ 5,067.68
Deferred Revenue-Comstar	\$ 417,480.00
Encumbrances	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 904,506.42</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ -
Unreserved-undesignated	\$ 266,937.36
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 302,662.72</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,207,169.14</u>

FUND 25, CONSERVATION FUND
BALANCE SHEET
 Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 92,008.46
Peoples United short term CD	\$ 275,384.06
Due from General Fund	\$ 7,000.00
Total Assets	<u>\$ 374,392.52</u>
LIABILITIES	
Other Liabilities	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Unreserved=Undesignated	\$ 472,411.08
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 374,392.52</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 374,392.52</u>

FUND 40, PARKS & REC. REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET
 Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 189,890.09
Total Assets	<u>\$ 189,890.09</u>
LIABILITIES	
Other Liabilities	\$ 25.00
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved=Undesignated	\$ 189,890.09
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 189,890.09</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 189,890.09</u>

**FUND 50, CABLE/GTV REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 153,514.35
Total Assets	<u>\$ 153,514.35</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,024.81
P/R Taxes Payable	\$ 0.01
W/H NHRS	\$ -
W/H Health Ins Trust	\$ 39,514.60
Accrued Payroll	\$ 0.01
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 41,539.43</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	\$ 111,974.92
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 111,974.92</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 153,514.35</u>

**FUND 70, POLICE DETAIL REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 44,654.47
Accounts Receivable	\$ 36,401.26
Total Assets	<u>\$ 81,055.73</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,322.64
Withholding-NHRS	\$ -
Withholding-Health Ins. Trust	\$ (3.98)
Withholding-Dep. Care	\$ 2,037.50
Payroll Tax Payable	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 3,356.16</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	\$ 77,699.57
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 77,699.57</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 81,055.73</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

Unaudited for Year Ended December 31, 2016

FUND 10, General Fund

The following represents a summary of financial transactions administered through the Town's general fund, as compiled by the Finance Department and Town Treasurer.

General Fund Cash Balance on January 1, 2016 \$ **20,450,968.00**
(adjusted to audited figure)

Receipts:

Tax Collector- Property Taxes, Interest, Costs, Other		
Taxes	\$	37,209,449.21
Tax Collector- Yield Taxes	\$	8,197.82
Town Clerk- Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$	3,089,877.82
Town Clerk- Other Fees	\$	33,238.05
Community Development	\$	20,602.24
Public Works Department Revenues and Grants	\$	425,444.50
Transfer Station/Recycling Revenues and Grants	\$	188,769.37
Police Department Revenues and Grants	\$	134,324.65
Fire Department Revenues and Grants	\$	28,815.95
Cable Franchise Fees	\$	216,021.43
State of NH- Meals & Rooms Distribution	\$	922,807.62
State of NH- Highway Block Grant	\$	425,956.74
Administration and Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$	267,822.00
Transfers In from Other Funds	\$	22,748.00
Decrease in accounts and liens receivable	\$	263,378.43
Total Receipts	\$	43,257,453.83

Disbursements:

Town Hall/Administration Dept 11	\$	2,402,554.21
Police Dept 22	\$	4,462,664.83
Fire Dept 33	\$	2,457,431.51
Public Works Dept 44	\$	4,964,419.09
Parks & Rec Dept 55	\$	429,497.72
Library Dept 66	\$	712,162.03
Debt Service Dept 77	\$	313,302.72
CIP Dept 88	\$	1,374,811.24
Special Warrant Articles (dept 99)	\$	823,818.89
Other General Government	\$	17,335.78
Payments to School District	\$	22,985,526.00
Payments to County	\$	1,849,463.00
Net increase in payables and other liabilities	\$	190,161.22
Total Cash Disbursements	\$	42,983,148.24
General Fund Cash Balance on December 31, 2016	\$	20,725,273.59

Investment Balances as of 12/31/15

Citizens Bank Investment account	\$	17,084,435.87
TDBank money market account	\$	108,929.98
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	\$	570,727.53
Total Investments	\$	17,764,093.38

Respectfully submitted,
Derek M. Horne, Treasurer

FUND 20, Fire/EMS Special Revenue Fund**Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16**

Fund 20 Cash balance on \$ 390,893.79
January 1, 2016

Receipts:

Revenues	\$	490,373.76
Special Detail Revenues	\$	<u>11,353.50</u>
Subtotal	\$	892,621.05

Expenditures:

Regular Wages PT	\$	172,590.02
Special Detail Wages	\$	5,780.50
FICA	\$	10,732.39
Medicare	\$	2,585.77
Retirement-Fire	\$	148.71
Unemployment Comp.	\$	0.00
Worker's Comp.	\$	6,987.00
Clothing and Uniforms	\$	635.01
Physical Exams	\$	2,642.50
Training Expenses	\$	10,913.68
Office Supplies	\$	605.75
Operating Supplies	\$	16,919.02
Postage	\$	110.45
Turnouts	\$	2,462.65
Computer Software	\$	1,397.50
Telecommunications	\$	2,447.73
Service Fees	\$	23,370.60
Radios	\$	5,278.00
2016 Ambulance	\$	229,968.00
Diesel Fuel	\$	8,293.91
Fleet Maintenance	\$	10,606.25
Equipment	\$	36,197.32
Property Insurance	\$	<u>3,802.00</u>
Subtotal	\$	554,474.76

Fund 20 Cash balance on \$ **400,945.21**
December 31, 2016

**FUND 40, Parks & Rec
Revolving Fund**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

Fund 40 Cash balance on \$ 220,939.68
January 1, 2016

Receipts:

Revenues	\$ 81,344.28
Facility Rental	<u>\$ 12,265.00</u>
Subtotal	\$ 302,283.96

Expenditures:

Contracted Services	<u>\$ 112,393.87</u>
Subtotal	\$ 112,393.87

Fund 40 Cash balance on \$ 189,890.09
December 31, 2016

**FUND 70, Special Detail Revolving
Fund**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

Fund 70 Cash balance on
January 1, 2016 \$ 35,514.29

Receipts:

Special Detail revenues	<u>\$ 156,868.16</u>
Subtotal	\$ 192,382.45

Expenditures:

Special Detail Wages	\$ 103,485.25
FICA	\$ 185.79
Medicare	\$ 1,482.65
Retirement	\$ 19,068.43
Workers Comp	\$ 1,179.00
Service Fee	\$ 13,921.25
Net Increase in Payables	<u>\$ (1,322.64)</u>
Subtotal	\$ 137,999.73

Fund 70 Cash balance on \$ 54,382.72
December 31, 2016

FUND 50, Cable/GTV Revolving Fund

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/16

Fund 50 Cash balance on \$ 124,278.71
January 1, 2016

Receipts:

Revenue	\$ 144,514.27
Subtotal	<u>\$ 268,792.98</u>

Expenditures:

Regular Wages FT	\$ 48,286.13
Regular Wages PT	\$ 17,236.16
FICA	\$ 3,856.41
Medicare	\$ 901.74
Retirement	\$ 5,279.06
Unemployment Comp	\$ 0.00
Workers Comp	\$ 185.00
Benefits	\$ 24,788.92
Employee Development	\$ 2,090.05
Travel Expenses	\$ 66.08
Consulting Services	\$ 580.00
Computer Software	\$ 1,790.70
Advertising	\$ 43.29
Internet	\$ 5,966.13
Equipment	\$ 17,505.32
Equipment Maintenance	<u>\$ 549.23</u>
Subtotal	\$ 129,124.22

Fund 50 Cash balance on \$ 139,668.76
December 31, 2016

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS



L-R: Laura Paris, alternate; Earl Carrel, Chair; Bill Tucker; Thomas Mulligan.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GOFFSTOWN, NH ON DECEMBER 31, 2016
MS-9

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	PRINCIPAL					INCOME			BALANCE END YEAR	FEES	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
					BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT				
2014	Greg Coulton Scholarship		Common TR Fd.	0.18%	3,745.37	0.00	(14.52)	(16.50)	77.75	61.54	3,214.34	(372.22)	(16.50)	500.00	2,837.12	
2016	Lockwood Family Scholarship		Common TR Fd.	0.00%	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	(1,000.00)	0.00	0.00	-5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-5,000.00	
	Total Scholarship Funds				494,384.45	9,839.36	(2,212.24)	(2,314.00)	12,168.59	9,365.02	498,497.57	6,805.31	(2,513.94)	(12,414.36)	505,102.88	
133	Various Funds		Common TR Fd.	0.06%	1,006.36	0.00	(4.50)	(5.12)	24.11	630.09	996.74	649.08	(5.12)	0.00	1,645.82	
134	W. Richards Fund		Common TR Fd.	1.33%	24,153.02	0.00	(108.08)	(122.82)	578.62	23,922.12	23,922.12	913.78	(122.82)	0.00	24,835.90	
135	W. Richards Fund		Common TR Fd.	1.88%	34,236.68	0.00	(153.20)	(174.10)	820.18	33,990.38	33,990.38	1,295.27	(174.09)	0.00	35,204.65	
136	TriCentennial Fund		Common TR Fd.	0.04%	653.51	0.00	(2.92)	(3.32)	15.66	647.26	647.26	1,545.22	(3.32)	0.00	2,192.48	
139	Reserved for Future Trust		Common TR Fd.	0.02%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
140	Trust Fund		Common TR Fd.	0.04%	305.79	0.00	(1.37)	(1.55)	7.33	302.86	302.86	109.33	(1.55)	0.00	412.19	
141	Goffstown Main Street Trust Fund		Common TR Fd.	0.04%	7,952.36	0.00	(35.58)	(40.44)	190.51	7,876.34	7,876.34	300.86	(40.44)	0.00	8,177.20	
143	Program Trust Fund		Common TR Fd.	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
144	CRS Class of 2013		Common TR Fd.	0.00%	1,261.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,261.97	1,261.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,261.97	
158	Contingency Fund		Common TR Fd.	33.38%	607,131.68	0.00	(2,717.02)	(3,087.63)	18,546.02	601,387.02	601,387.02	29,618.22	(3,087.58)	(152.86)	630,992.78	
159																
	Total Various Funds				676,761.37	0.00	(3,022.68)	(3,434.99)	16,182.42	21,964.64	669,041.74	34,558.30	(3,434.90)	(152.86)	703,601.04	
144	Mildred Stark Funds		Common TR Fd.	6.10%	111,024.15	0.00	(96.80)	(564.57)	2,659.72	26,955.19	109,962.78	29,050.35	(564.56)	0.00	139,013.13	
145	Town Hall Fund		Common TR Fd.	0.00%	50.02	0.00	(0.22)	(0.25)	1.20	49.54	49.54	8.70	(0.25)	0.00	58.24	
146	H.S. Library Fund		Common TR Fd.	1.33%	24,153.01	0.00	(108.08)	(122.82)	578.62	23,922.11	23,922.11	2,004.20	(122.82)	0.00	25,926.31	
147	H.S. Scholarship Fund		Common TR Fd.	1.33%	24,153.01	0.00	(108.08)	(122.82)	578.62	23,922.11	23,922.11	1,071.22	(122.82)	0.00	24,993.83	
	Total Mildred Stark Funds				159,380.19	0.00	(713.18)	(810.47)	4,218.15	29,527.26	157,856.54	32,134.97	(810.45)	(800.00)	189,991.51	
138	Grasmere Town Hall		Common TR Fd.	0.42%	7,616.89	55.00	(34.08)	(38.73)	182.47	2,041.72	7,599.07	2,185.46	(38.73)	0.00	9,784.53	
	Grasmere Town Hall		Common TR Fd.													
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	Restoration Fund (2)		Common TR Fd.													
	TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUND			100.00%	1,820,537.39	12,087.26	(8,140.77)	(9,251.21)	44,307.98	158,918.01	1,812,970.70	177,590.81	(9,250.98)	(16,384.20)	1,990,561.51	
152	Capital Reserve Funds		NHPDIP		180,617.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	944.46	180,617.37	180,617.37	1,371.60	0.00	181,988.97		
2003	Conservation Capital		NHPDIP		68,886.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	360.39	68,886.20	68,886.20	558.64	0.00	69,444.84		
153	Grasmere Town Hall		NHPDIP		343,097.69	225,000.00	0.00	0.00	255.18	568,097.69	568,097.69	(0.00)	0.00	570,955.19		
2005	Barlett Elementary School		NHPDIP		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
154	Fire Equipment		NHPDIP		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
2006	Cap. Reserve		NHPDIP		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
2008	Cap. Reserve		NHPDIP		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				592,601.26	225,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,907.17	880.57	817,601.26	4,787.74	0.00	0.00	822,389.00	
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS				2,413,138.65	237,087.26	(8,140.77)	(9,251.21)	48,215.15	159,798.58	2,650,571.96	182,378.55	(9,250.98)	(16,384.20)	2,812,950.51	

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**REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, N.H. FOR YEAR ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2016
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NUMBER OF SHARES	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	***PRINCIPAL***										GRAND TOTAL & PRINCIPAL INCOME END OF YEAR	BEGINNING YEAR FAIR MARKET VALUE	UNREALIZED GAIN/LOSS	END OF YEAR FAIR MARKET VALUE	
		HOW INVESTED					**ADDITIONS**									**INCOME**
	NAME OF BANKS, STOCKS, BONDS	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	GAINS/LOSSES FROM SALES	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR						
	Common Trust Fund															
	Cash & Cash Equivalents	41,679.58	(18,947.86)			22,731.72	33,239.13	145.78	33,875.42	67,260.33	89,992.05	74,918.71	0.00	89,992.05		
25,000	Berkshire Hathaway 2.90% 10/15/20	25,338.23				25,338.23	0.00	725.00	(725.00)	0.00	25,338.23	25,909.25	(305.25)	25,604.00		
50,000	Cargill Inc. 1.900% 3/1/17	50,760.50				50,760.50	0.00	950.00	(950.00)	0.00	50,760.50	50,222.50	(153.50)	50,069.00		
25,000	Chevron 2.193% 11/15/19	25,145.50				25,145.50	0.00	548.26	(548.26)	0.00	25,145.50	24,989.00	260.25	25,249.25		
25,000	Disney Walt Co 2.750% 8/16/21	25,170.10				25,170.10	0.00	687.50	(687.50)	0.00	25,170.10	25,413.75	35.75	25,449.50		
25,000	Feed Farm Credit Bks 4.875% 1/17/2017	25,792.95				25,792.95	0.00	1,218.76	(1,218.76)	0.00	25,792.95	26,012.00	(967.75)	25,044.25		
0	Feed Farm Credit Bks 5.125% 8/25/2016	51,274.50		50,000.00	(1,274.50)	0.00	0.00	2,562.50	(2,562.50)	0.00	0.00	51,426.50	(1,426.50)	0.00		
50,000	FNMA 1.875% 12/28/20	48,830.50				48,830.50	0.00	687.50	(687.50)	0.00	48,830.50	49,228.50	384.00	49,612.50		
50,000	General Electric 2.700% 10/09/2022	49,998.00				49,998.00	0.00	937.50	(937.50)	0.00	49,998.00	49,973.00	159.00	50,132.00		
50,000	McDonalds Corp 1.875% 5/29/19	49,963.70				49,963.70	0.00	1,350.00	(1,350.00)	0.00	49,963.70	49,790.50	200.50	49,991.00		
50,000	Oracle Corp 2.375% 1/15/19	24,968.00				24,968.00	0.00	468.76	(468.76)	0.00	24,968.00	24,694.50	254.75	24,949.25		
50,000	Oracle Corp 2.375% 1/15/19	50,472.00				50,472.00	0.00	1,187.50	(1,187.50)	0.00	50,472.00	50,772.00	(102.50)	50,669.50		
0.000	Pmco Fds Total Return Inst #35	0.00				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
50,000	US Treas Note 1.375% 6/30/23	0.00	49,945.31			49,945.31	0.00	(104.62)	104.62	0.00	49,945.31	0.00	(2,449.31)	47,496.00		
50,000	US Treas Note 2.000% 10/31/21	49,888.67				49,888.67	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00	49,888.67	50,138.50	6.00	50,144.50		
50,000	US Treas Note 1.500% 5/31/21	49,531.25				49,531.25	0.00	750.00	(750.00)	0.00	49,531.25	49,568.50	279.00	49,847.50		
50,000	US Treas Note 2.250% 11/15/24	0.00	52,980.47			52,980.47	0.00	250.68	(250.68)	0.00	52,980.47	0.00	(3,286.97)	49,693.50		
6,548.961	Vanguard Intern:Trn Bd Index #5314	75,650.54			294.82	75,945.36	0.00	1,951.98	(1,951.98)	0.00	75,945.36	73,444.10	166.22	73,610.32		
50,000	Walmart Corp 5.75% 6/15/2017	56,025.00				56,025.00	0.00	2,875.00	(2,875.00)	0.00	56,025.00	52,930.50	(1,978.00)	50,957.50		
25,000	Walmart Stores 1.950% 12/15/18	25,239.00				25,239.00	0.00	487.50	(487.50)	0.00	25,239.00	25,370.75	(133.00)	25,237.75		
25,000	Wells Fargo Co. Mtn 2.125% 4/22/19	24,995.75				24,995.75	0.00	531.26	(531.26)	0.00	24,995.75	25,030.25	50.75	25,081.00		
2,300,000	iShares MSCI/EAFE ETF	93,262.22	44,443.58			137,705.80	0.00	3,192.18	(3,192.18)	0.00	137,705.80	91,016.00	(2,680.58)	132,775.00		
315,000	iShares Russell Midcap Value Index Fund	14,938.88				14,938.88	0.00	374.26	(374.26)	0.00	14,938.88	21,627.90	3,707.55	25,335.45		
1,400,000	iShares Select Dividend ETF	102,739.43				102,739.43	0.00	3,773.37	(3,773.37)	0.00	102,739.43	105,210.00	18,788.00	123,998.00		
325,000	iShares 7-10 Yr Treas Bd ETF	0.00	36,474.13			36,474.13	0.00	251.30	(251.30)	0.00	36,474.13	0.00	(2,407.63)	34,066.50		
150,000	Johnson & Johnson	8,164.50				8,164.50	0.00	472.50	(472.50)	0.00	8,164.50	15,408.00	1,873.50	17,281.50		
17,235.233	JPMorgan Disciplined Equity Instl	364,520.21				364,520.21	0.00	6,164.18	(6,164.18)	0.00	364,520.21	377,106.48	29,989.27	407,095.75		
1,700,000	SPDR S&P 500 ETF	293,655.48				293,655.48	0.00	7,516.84	(7,516.84)	0.00	293,655.48	346,579.00	33,422.00	380,001.00		
335,000	SPDR S&P Midcap 400 ETF	51,461.87				51,461.87	0.00	1,266.23	(1,266.23)	0.00	51,461.87	85,103.40	15,976.15	101,079.55		
200,000	US Bankcorp Del	5,424.00				5,424.00	0.00	209.00	(209.00)	0.00	5,424.00	118,244.35	3,676.47	10,274.00		
0.000	Vanguard Morgan Growth Admiral #526	128,804.06		121,920.82	(6,883.24)	(0.00)	0.00	303.00	(303.00)	0.00	0.00	10,872.00	150.00	11,022.00		
200,000	Wells Fargo	2,311.25				2,311.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,311.25	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Total Common Trust Fund	1,816,405.67	164,895.63	171,920.82	(7,862.92)	1,801,517.56	33,239.13	42,733.72	(8,712.52)	67,260.33	1,868,777.89	1,959,533.94	95,228.17	2,081,758.12		

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NUMBER OF SHARES	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT NAME OF BANKS, STOCKS, BONDS	***PRINCIPAL***										GRAND TOTAL		
		BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	GAINS/LOSSES FROM SALES	BALANCE END YEAR	BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	PRINCIPAL & INCOME END OF YEAR	BEGINNING YEAR FAIR MARKET VALUE	UNREALIZED GAIN/LOSS	END OF YEAR FAIR MARKET VALUE
	Trust Funds - Prior Years													
	Cash and Cash Equivalents	23,988.58	(13,686.14)			10,302.44	765.86	58.50	254.95	1,079.31	11,381.75		24,754.44	11,381.75
0	Fed Farm Cr Bk 0.780% 4/18/16	25,133.50		25,000.00	(133.50)	0.00	0.00	97.50	(97.50)	0.00	0.00		25,020.50	0.00
25,000	Fed Home Loan Bank 1.000% 6/9/17	25,119.70		10,000.00	(6.00)	25,119.70	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	0.00	25,119.70		24,994.75	39.00
0	Fed Natl Mtg Assn. -500% 3/30/16	10,006.00		25,000.00	(165.85)	0.00	0.00	25.00	(25.00)	0.00	0.00		10,000.80	(0.80)
0	Fed Home Loan Mtg 0.875% 10/14/16	25,165.85		25,000.00		(0.00)	0.00	218.76	(218.76)	0.00	0.00		25,018.50	(18.50)
25,000	Federal Natl Mtg Assn. - 875% 10/26/17	0.00	25,032.50	10,000.00	27.50	25,032.50	0.00	108.16	(108.16)	0.00	25,032.50		9,959.10	(29.00)
0	Fed Farm Cr Bk 0.750% 5/30/17	9,972.50		10,000.00		0.00	0.00	48.87	(48.87)	0.00	0.00		10,090.49	40.90
10,000	FHLB 1.350% 11/30/17	0.00	10,090.49			10,090.49	0.00	83.25	(83.25)	0.00	10,090.49		0.00	(30.49)
25,000	US Treas Note 1.750% 10/31/18	0.00	25,317.38			25,317.38	0.00	(27.80)	27.80	0.00	25,317.38		0.00	(50.88)
25,000	US Treas Note .75% 10/31/18	0.00	24,841.80			24,841.80	0.00	(11.91)	11.91	0.00	24,841.80		0.00	(21.55)
	Total Trust Funds - Prior Years	119,386.13	71,596.03	70,000.00	(277.85)	120,704.31	765.86	848.33	(534.88)	1,079.31	121,783.62		119,748.09	(111.82)
	Grasmere Town Hall													
	Cash and Cash Equivalents	9,658.41	(9,658.41)			0.00	0.20	4.16	(4.36)	(0.00)	(0.00)		9,658.61	(0.00)
	Total Grasmere Town Hall	9,658.41	(9,658.41)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	4.16	(4.36)	(0.00)	(0.00)		9,658.61	(0.00)
	Total All Funds	1,945,450.21	226,833.25	241,920.82	(8,140.77)	1,922,221.87	34,005.19	43,586.21	(9,251.76)	68,339.64	1,990,561.51		2,088,940.64	95,116.35
														2,203,303.87

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OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

2002 Supplemental Landfill Closure SRF

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	4,311	150	4,461
Total	4,311	150	9,071

2011 LVDP Water Project

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	35,857	17,387	53,244
2018	36,884	16,360	53,244
2019	37,941	15,303	53,244
2020	39,027	14,217	53,244
2021	40,145	13,099	53,244
2022	41,295	11,949	53,244
2023	42,478	10,766	53,244
2024	43,694	9,550	53,244
2025	44,946	8,298	53,244
2026	46,233	7,011	53,244
2027	47,557	5,687	53,244
2028	48,919	4,325	53,244
2029	50,320	2,924	53,244
2030	51,761	1,483	53,244
Total	607,057	138,359	745,416

2016 Fire Station #18 Bond

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	106,400	89,305	195,705
2018	110,000	76,883	186,883
2019	110,000	71,361	181,361
2020	110,000	65,839	175,839
2021	105,000	60,317	165,317
2022	105,000	55,046	160,046
2023	105,000	49,775	154,775
2024	105,000	45,554	150,554
2025	105,000	41,333	146,333
2026	105,000	36,062	141,062
2027	105,000	30,791	135,791
2028	105,000	28,670	133,670
2029	105,000	26,549	131,549
2030	105,000	24,297	129,297
2031	105,000	20,076	125,076
2032	105,000	15,855	120,855
2033	105,000	12,684	117,684
2034	105,000	9,513	114,513
2035	105,000	6,342	111,342
2036	105,000	3,171	108,171
Total	2,116,400	769,423	2,885,823

GENERAL FUND TOTALS

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	146,568	106,842	253,410
2018	146,884	93,243	240,127
2019	147,941	86,664	234,605
2020	149,027	80,056	229,083
2021	145,145	73,416	218,561
2022	146,295	66,995	213,290
2023	147,478	60,541	208,019
2024	148,694	55,104	203,798
2025	149,946	49,631	199,577
2026	151,233	43,073	194,306
2027	152,557	36,478	189,035
2028	153,919	32,995	186,914
2029	155,320	29,473	184,793
2030	156,761	25,780	182,541
2031	105,000	20,076	125,076
2032	105,000	15,855	120,855
2033	105,000	12,684	117,684
2034	105,000	9,513	114,513
2035	105,000	6,342	111,342
2036	105,000	3,171	108,171
Total	2,727,768	907,932	3,635,700

OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE SEWER FUND

2012 SRF ARRA Mast Road Upgrade

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	111,202	11,835	123,037
2018	113,092	9,945	123,037
2019	115,014	8,023	123,037
2020	116,970	6,067	123,037
2021	118,958	4,079	123,037
2022	120,980	2,057	123,037
Total	696,216	42,006	738,222

SEWER FUND TOTALS

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	111,202	11,835	123,037
2018	113,092	9,945	123,037
2019	115,014	8,023	123,037
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2021	118,958	4,079	123,037
2022	120,980	2,057	123,037
Total	696,216	42,006	738,222

2017 TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY

	2015		2016		2017	
	Adopted	Actuals	Adopted	YTD (unaudited)	Default	BOS & BC
TOWN HALL BUDGET						
41300 Admin & Economic Develo	811,413	745,357	843,543	815,509	761,010	720,480
41400 Town Clerk	187,345	177,988	193,716	175,533	188,887	195,564
41401 Election	20,032	16,824	61,244	48,476	29,844	22,344
41500 Finance	274,083	266,489	284,136	289,057	277,062	247,894
41510 Tax Collection	88,590	88,002	89,984	86,055	71,049	73,904
41530 Information Technology	425,018	417,244	439,461	440,964	475,558	512,643
41520 Revaluation of Property	194,145	185,195	198,204	203,425	196,967	217,835
41910 Planning & Zoning	224,000	233,180	227,519	186,705	232,774	293,523
41990 Other General Governmen	20,000	14,495	20,000	15,676	35,000	44,280
42400 Building/Health Inspect	86,037	81,122	88,055	82,272	86,378	87,221
44410 Human Services	82,819	58,313	75,543	62,100	78,178	68,951
TOWN HALL TOTAL	2,413,482	2,284,209	2,521,405	2,405,772	2,432,707	2,484,639
INSURANCE BUDGET						
00000 No Division Number	0		0		287,383	287,383
INSURANCE TOTAL	0		0		287,383	287,383
POLICE BUDGET						
42101 Police Operations	3,969,074	3,709,898	4,091,685	3,672,972	3,798,239	3,848,072
42104 Police Communications	769,054	722,099	814,319	789,693	876,717	893,509
POLICE TOTAL	4,738,128	4,431,996	4,906,004	4,462,665	4,674,956	4,741,581
FIRE BUDGET						
42201 Fire Operations	2,538,431	2,414,882	2,581,225	2,448,859	2,564,701	2,589,354
42102 Emergency Management	3,924	2,532	5,759	3,573	5,759	7,509
FIRE TOTAL	2,542,355	2,417,415	2,586,984	2,452,432	2,570,460	2,596,863
PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET						
41950 Cemetery Operations	111,719	99,451	108,736	119,663	108,460	110,680
43111 Public Works-Highway	3,131,089	2,930,169	3,213,210	3,054,295	3,098,119	3,043,200
43124 Stormwater/Utilities	206,590	104,671	154,604	120,590	151,980	151,072
43190 Fleet	567,426	549,068	524,673	513,414	522,877	519,742
43230 Solid Waste Operations	1,080,790	1,104,524	1,001,224	987,293	966,842	925,213
PUBLIC WORKS TOTAL	5,097,614	4,787,883	5,002,447	4,795,255	4,848,278	4,749,907
PARKS AND REC BUDGET						
45201 Parks & Rec Operations	431,723	429,676	443,828	429,498	425,975	441,473
PARKS AND REC TOTAL	431,723	429,676	443,828	429,498	425,975	441,473
LIBRARY BUDGET						
45501 Library Operations	734,103	719,051	735,040	710,612	737,484	740,511
LIBRARY TOTAL	734,103	719,051	735,040	710,612	737,484	740,511
DEBT SERVICE BUDGET						
47110 Principal-Long Trm Bond	252,216	252,214	252,928	252,928	110,710	110,710
47230 DS-ST INTEREST	2	0	1	0	1	1
47111 LVDP WATER MAIN	53,245	53,244	53,244	53,243	53,244	53,244
47120 Debt Serv-Long Term Bon	14,108	14,108	7,131	7,132	89,455	89,455
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL	319,571	319,566	313,304	313,303	253,410	253,410

	2015		2016		2017	
	Adopted	Actuals	Adopted	YTD (unaudited)	Default	BOS & BC
CIP BUDGET						
LAND TOTAL	450,000	420,013	0	0	0	0
MACH, VEH & EQUIP TOTAL	592,372	577,740	552,906	530,326	552,906	696,353
BUILDINGS TOTAL	0	0	85,000	77,167	85,000	70,000
IMP OTHER THN BLDG TOTAL	121,000	108,366	664,500	892,866	914,500	1,071,610
CIP TOTAL	1,163,372	1,106,119	1,302,406	1,500,359	1,552,406	1,837,963
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	17,440,348	16,495,913	17,811,418	17,069,896	17,783,059	18,133,730
EMS SRF						
42150 Fire / EMS	420,691	354,056	422,232	334,307	448,932	539,480
EMS REVENUE FUND TOTAL	420,691	354,056	422,232	334,307	448,932	539,480
SEWER BUDGET						
43260 Sewer Administration	363,859	315,508	343,035	330,026	266,636	263,321
43261 Sewer Operations	1,111,403	1,093,565	1,110,176	1,171,002	1,127,660	1,285,809
43262 Sewer Pump Stations	72,751	45,401	153,051	42,469	153,051	74,650
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND TOTAL	1,548,013	1,454,474	1,606,262	1,543,497	1,547,347	1,623,780
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET:	19,409,052	18,304,443	19,839,912	18,947,700	19,779,338	20,296,990

2017 SEPARATE/SPECIAL ARTICLES

	2015		2016		2017	
	Adopted	Actuals	Adopted	YTD (unaudited)	BOS	BC
CBA-Police	15,073	0	0	0	0	0
CBA-Dispatchers/Clerks	10,486	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation Prog Intro	14,774	1,847	0	0	15,000	15,000
Main Street Pgm	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Crispin's House	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
* CRF-Fire Apparatus	200,000	200,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
Conservation Comm Expense	0	0	15,000	15,000	0	0
CBA-Fire	0	0	35,097	see GF	0	0
Reclamation	0	0	250,000	250,000	0	0
SCBA/Jaws of Life	0	0	280,000	279,684	0	0
Buildings Expense	0	0	2,300,000	2,300,000	0	0
CBA-Teamsters at DPW	0	0	0	0	16,773	16,773
Uncanoonuc Mtn Dam	0	0	0	0	230,000	230,000
Fund 20 - Vehicle (ambulance)	0	0	230,000	229,968	0	0
* CRF-Land Acquisition	0	0	0	0	250,000	250,000
SEPARATE/SPECIAL ART. TOTALS	280,333	241,847	3,375,097	3,339,652	776,773	776,773

ADMINISTRATION

REPORT OF THE ASSESSING OFFICE

The Town's assessments and assessment practices were last reviewed by the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration for the 2013 tax year. The Town successfully passed all criteria established by the Assessing Standards Board.

Residential property values have been increasing since 2013. As a result, the 2015 level of assessment was 92.4%. An update of value was completed for the 2016 tax year. The total assessed value of the Town increased by 7.1% from the 2015 tax year to the 2016 tax year. The tax rate decreased by 6.5% to \$26.43 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

The Assessing Office had a five-year contract with KRT Appraisal to measure and list 4,000 residential properties over five years; this was started in 2012. Approximately 800 residential properties were visited each year by a KRT Assessor from 2012 to 2016. This was an on-going process that was completed this year. The Assessing Office will not be contracting for the 2017 tax year, but, does expected to seek a new measure and list contract starting in 2018.

The Assessing Office has improved, and is continuing to improve, the quality of its assessments without causing undue disruption to taxpayers or large budget increases. Since 2013, residential property values have been rising as can be seen in the decrease in the level of assessment; on-gong analysis indicates that this rise in residential values is continuing. As required by law, the Assessing office will be undergoing the next five year revaluation for the 2018 tax year. The Assessing Office asks for the continued understanding and cooperation of its citizens. Assessing is an ongoing process. The participation of taxpayers in this process is not only welcomed, but encouraged.

Respectively Submitted,
Scott W. Bartlett, CNHA, Town Assessor

2016 INVENTORY VALUATION (MS-1)

LAND		
Current Use	\$ 813,800	
Conservation Restriction Assessment	0	
Discretionary Easement	100	
Residential	485,874,200	
Commercial/Industrial	60,114,500	
Total Taxable Land		\$ 546,802,600
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		49,801,400

BUILDINGS		
Residential	\$ 742,517,300	
Manufactured Housing	18,928,000	
Commercial/Industrial	95,008,700	
Discretionary Preservation Easement	68,000	
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$ 856,522,000
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		98,618,100

PUBLIC UTILITIES		
Electric	\$ 53,919,500	
Gas	2,513,200	
Total Public Utilities		\$ 56,432,700

TAXABLE VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS \$1,459,757,300

EXEMPTIONS:	NUMBER	AMOUNT
Certain Disabled Veterans	2	\$ 358,200
School Dining/Dorms/Kitchen	1	150,000
Blind	7	105,000
Elderly	207	12,552,400
Solar Energy Systems	55	390,900
Total Exemptions	223	\$13,556,500

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED **\$1,446,200,800**

NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED **\$1,389,768,100**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS GRANTED \$ 426,000

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
4-103	16 MAPLE AV	4.00	308,400	2,836,500	3,144,900
5-14-1	251 ELM ST	25.79	332,800	1,237,200	1,570,000
5-98	27 WALLACE RD	30.00	1,351,000	10,892,600	12,243,600
8-74	41 LAUREN LN	60.30	1,369,100	8,505,800	9,874,900
17-182	689 MAST RD	1.25	368,100	1,203,200	1,571,300
34-138	11 SCHOOL ST	<u>0.65</u>	<u>175,000</u>	<u>259,000</u>	<u>434,000</u>
GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALS		121.99	\$3,904,400	\$24,934,300	\$28,838,700

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-37	MOUNTAIN RD	110.00	460,300	0	460,300
1-38	BACK MOUNTAIN RD	465.00	1,019,700	88,700	1,108,400
4-11	OFF HILLSDALE DR	0.33	89,700	34,400	124,100
4-16-2	MOUNTAIN RD	15.55	84,500	0	84,500
7-2	MAST RD	24.00	43,100	11,000	54,100
7-5	NORTH MAST ST	3.54	102,500	92,000	194,500
7-8-1	NORTH MAST ST	23.76	125,700	0	125,700
7-106-2	HIGH ST	<u>1.38</u>	<u>79,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>79,000</u>
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT TOTALS		643.56	\$2,004,500	\$226,100	\$2,230,600

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-35	MOUNTAIN RD	137.00	355,500	0	355,500
2-39-4	OFF BACK MOUNTAIN RD	2.45	73,700	0	73,700
2-64-28	SHIRLEY HILL RD	3.23	1,600	0	1,600
2-64-29	ADDISON RD	7.00	6,500	0	6,500
3-9	OFF SCHOOL HOUSE RD	1.00	1,700	0	1,700
4-61	OFF NEW BOSTON RD	21.32	27,600	0	27,600
5-14	GOFFSTOWN BACK RD	39.60	303,400	7,000	310,400
5-15-3	ELM ST	2.00	230,900	0	230,900
5-15-4	ELM ST	5.00	212,500	0	212,500
5-24	404 ELM ST	70.66	976,000	811,300	1,787,300
5-38-39	JUNIPER DR	6.24	44,700	0	44,700
5-97	WALLACE RD	0.90	18,800	0	18,800
6-39-1-A	326 MAST RD	2.16	350,100	1,346,800	1,696,900
7-72	NORTH MAST ST	9.00	219,900	22,200	242,100
8-44	OFF LOCUST HILL RD	3.00	3,600	0	3,600
9-29-1	289 TIRRELL HILL RD	1.60	108,700	222,700	331,400
10-11	TENNEY RD	0.75	9,100	0	9,100
12-10A	OFF MONTELONA RD	60.00	112,600	0	112,600
15-58	ROSEMONT ST	2.40	108,700	0	108,700
15-59	ROSEMONT ST	0.25	8,000	0	8,000
15-57A	31 ROSEMONT ST	4.42	118,400	103,400	221,800

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15-73A	31 ROSEMONT ST	0.48	8,700	0	8,700
16-118	OFF MOREAU ST	0.09	900	0	900
16-225-1	PINE HILL AV	0.19	4,700	0	4,700
16-117A	BROOK ST	0.07	1,800	0	1,800
17-37	656 MAST RD	0.57	320,300	927,500	1,247,800
17-238	36 LAURIER ST	37.56	485,500	36,500	522,000
17-220A	LOUIS ST	0.22	6,700	0	6,700
19-21	2 SHORE DR	2.30	138,200	1,100	139,300
19-47-1	OFF EAST UNION ST	1.35	6,800	0	6,800
19-47-10	OFF DANIS PARK RD	1.38	6,900	0	6,900
19-47-11	OFF MORGAN CR	2.20	11,000	0	11,000
19-47-12	OFF LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	8.38	41,900	0	41,900
19-47-13	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	8.24	41,200	0	41,200
19-47-14	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	2.17	10,900	0	10,900
19-47-15	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	1.14	5,700	0	5,700
19-47-2	OFF SHIRLEY PARK RD	1.28	6,400	0	6,400
19-47-3	OFF SOUTH MAST ST	0.49	2,500	0	2,500
19-47-4	OFF BLUE JAY LN	4.41	22,100	0	22,100
19-47-5	OFF MAST RD	1.69	8,500	0	8,500
19-47-6	OFF MAST RD	4.76	23,800	0	23,800
19-47-7	OFF MAST RD	0.27	1,400	0	1,400
19-47-8	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	1.82	9,100	0	9,100
19-47-9	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	6.16	30,800	0	30,800
21-85	60 COVE ST	0.37	76,400	0	76,400
21-64A	BAY ST	0.42	30,000	0	30,000
24-37	ANDRE/RUSSELL	0.76	21,900	0	21,900
24-43	ANDRE ST	0.11	5,200	0	5,200
24-44	REM DR	1.00	1,300	0	1,300
24-84	2 WATER RD	0.18	37,600	0	37,600
24-44R-6	REM DR	1.05	5,800	0	5,800
24-59A	LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	0.19	27,200	0	27,200
26-13A	MAST RD/HENRY BRIDGE	0.07	13,400	0	13,400
27-23	HENRY BRIDGE RD	0.30	30,800	0	30,800
27-25	86 CENTER ST	9.00	43,700	2,000	45,700
28-28	87 CENTER ST	0.33	78,100	167,000	245,100
30-81	9 BARNARD LN	18.00	468,400	159,300	627,700
30-25A	PINERIDGE ST	2.00	10,200	0	10,200
30-29A	HIGHLAND AV	0.12	14,900	0	14,900
30-43A	SOUTH MAST ST	0.12	800	0	800
31-19	155 SOUTH MAST ST	1.38	102,500	238,500	341,000
32-26E-18	HERMSDORF AV	0.30	16,200	0	16,200
32-26E-19	HERMSDORF AV	0.31	16,200	0	16,200
32-26E-22	HERMSDORF AV	0.25	15,900	0	15,900

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32-26E-30	JANICE DR	0.30	15,400	0	15,400
32-26E-55	THOMAS DR	0.38	16,700	0	16,700
34-83	16 MAIN ST	0.88	190,600	1,131,200	1,321,800
34-96	CHURCH ST	0.34	89,000	12,700	101,700
34-99	CHURCH ST	1.00	108,500	0	108,500
34-107	2 HIGH ST	0.96	195,200	325,600	520,800
34-114-1	50 ELM ST	0.08	46,900	0	46,900
34-127-1	MILL ST	0.07	7,300	0	7,300
34-129	MILL ST	0.21	8,000	0	8,000
34-148	MAIN ST	0.32	160,400	9,200	169,600
34-152	MAIN ST	0.25	155,800	0	155,800
37-9	83 NORTH MAST ST	9.00	192,800	0	192,800
38-13	18 CHURCH ST	0.63	196,200	678,600	874,800
40-11	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.19	5,700	0	5,700
40-12	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.34	42,900	0	42,900
40-22	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.25	5,900	0	5,900
40-23	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-47	197 PERIMETER RD	0.11	38,600	300	38,900
40-51	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.23	5,900	0	5,900
40-52	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	5,500	0	5,500
40-57	MAPLE LN	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-60	41 CRESCENT LN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-86	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.17	5,700	0	5,700
40-87	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-90	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	5,600	0	5,600
40-94	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-113	222 PERIMETER RD	0.08	158,500	74,700	233,200
40-50A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.08	5,400	0	5,400
41-34	CHOCORUA AV	3.98	26,000	0	26,000
41-47	KAOKA AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-49	KAOKA AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-50	KAOKA AV	0.26	11,800	0	11,800
41-52	INCLINE AV	0.13	5,600	400	6,000
41-56	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-59	MASCOMA AV	0.13	5,600	0	5,600
41-69	46 INCLINE AV	0.19	5,800	0	5,800
41-78	RAILROAD AV	0.05	6,500	0	6,500
42-4	RAILROAD AV	0.06	10,500	0	10,500
42-6	3 ORR ST	0.32	15,200	0	15,200
42-30	169 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.23	86,500	0	86,500
43-24-1	ARROWHEAD DR	0.11	62,600	20,000	82,600
99-9-9	PUBLIC ROW	<u>0.00</u>	<u>9,520,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9,520,000</u>
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN TOTALS		525.98	\$16,983,800	\$6,298,000	\$23,281,800

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
19-15	19 CHANNEL LN	0.20	19,000	2,000	21,000
34-177	27 EAST UNION ST	3.67	150,700	162,700	313,400
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER TOTALS		3.87	\$169,700	\$164,700	\$334,400

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
7-3-1	OFF MAST RD	4.50	16,900	0	16,900
31-22	OFF MAST RD	1.08	65,700	0	65,700
35-48	ISLAND ON GLEN LAKE	2.00	115,800	0	115,800
40-1	CRESCENT LN	0.10	61,000	0	61,000
40-8	PERIMETER RD	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-14	CRESCENT LN	0.28	6,000	0	6,000
40-15	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	26.20	81,200	0	81,200
40-16	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.19	5,800	0	5,800
40-17	CRESENT LN	0.15	5,600	0	5,600
40-18	CRESENT LN	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-19	CRESENT LN	0.07	5,300	0	5,300
40-20	CRESENT LN	0.07	5,300	0	5,300
40-21	CRESENT LN	0.16	5,700	0	5,700
40-24	CRESENT LN	0.16	5,700	0	5,700
40-25	CRESENT LN	0.52	6,500	0	6,500
40-27	PERIMETER RD	0.21	5,800	0	5,800
40-29	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.24	5,900	0	5,900
40-34	SUMMIT RD	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-35	SUMMIT RD	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-42	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	5.40	18,200	0	18,200
40-50	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.52	6,500	0	6,500
40-53	BEECH LN	0.12	5,600	0	5,600
40-54	SUMMIT AV	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-56	MAPLE LN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-58	SUMMIT RD	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-59	MAPLE LN	0.27	6,000	0	6,000
40-61	CHESTNUT LN	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-63	CHESTNUT LN	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-64	CHESTNUT/SUMMIT	0.21	5,800	0	5,800
40-65	BEECH LN	0.25	5,900	0	5,900
40-66	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-67	BEECH LN	0.30	1,400	0	1,400
40-68	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-69	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.13	5,600	0	5,600
40-70	CHESTNUT LN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-71	CHESTNUT LN	0.15	5,600	0	5,600
40-72	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.09	5,400	0	5,400

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40-73	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.12	5,500	0	5,500
40-74	CHESTNUT LN	0.36	6,200	0	6,200
40-76	BIRCH LN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-77	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	5,500	0	5,500
40-78	BIRCH LN	0.09	5,400	0	5,400
40-79	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	5,400	0	5,400
40-80	BIRCH LN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-81	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-82	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-83	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	5,600	0	5,600
40-85	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-88	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	5,500	0	5,500
40-89	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.18	5,800	0	5,800
40-91	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.14	5,600	0	5,600
40-92	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.15	5,600	0	5,600
40-93	CEDAR LN	0.09	5,400	0	5,400
40-95	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.22	5,900	0	5,900
40-97	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	5,500	0	5,500
40-98	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.19	5,800	0	5,800
40-99	PINE LN	0.61	2,900	0	2,900
40-101	PINE LN	0.40	6,300	0	6,300
40-103	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.12	5,500	0	5,500
40-104	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.72	2,600	0	2,600
40-105	SUMMIT AV	6.35	21,300	0	21,300
40-106	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1.15	4,100	0	4,100
40-107	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1.20	4,300	0	4,300
40-115	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	37.50	89,800	0	89,800
40-47A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.48	2,300	0	2,300
40-4A	UNCANOONUC MTN	3.45	10,600	0	10,600
41-6	FOREST AV	0.18	11,500	0	11,500
41-7	36 INCLINE AV	0.39	12,500	0	12,500
41-9	INCLINE AV	0.22	11,700	0	11,700
41-11	INCLINE AV	0.52	8,100	0	8,100
41-14	MOUNTAIN/PARK AV	0.74	13,900	0	13,900
41-15	MOUNTAIN AV	0.52	8,100	0	8,100
41-16	MOUNTAIN AV	0.38	12,400	0	12,400
41-17	MOUNTAIN AV	0.13	5,600	0	5,600
41-19	UNCANOONUC AV	0.16	11,400	0	11,400
41-21	PARK AV	1.73	18,300	0	18,300
41-22	CROWN AV	0.35	12,200	0	12,200
41-23	UNCANOONUC AV	0.07	10,600	0	10,600
41-24	UNCANOONUC AV	0.25	11,800	0	11,800

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
41-29	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-30	INCLINE AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-31	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.12	11,100	0	11,100
41-32	KAOKA AV	0.52	13,100	0	13,100
41-33	KAOKA AV	2.77	16,700	0	16,700
41-35	WONOLANCET AV	1.00	16,000	0	16,000
41-36	WONOLANCET AV	1.89	9,000	0	9,000
41-37	MASCOMA AV	2.58	20,800	0	20,800
41-38	CHOCORUA AV	0.29	1,400	0	1,400
41-39	CHOCORUA AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-40	CHOCORUA AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-41	CHOCORUA AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-42	CHOCORUA AV	0.39	12,500	0	12,500
41-43	CHOCORUA AV	0.92	14,800	0	14,800
41-45	KAOKA AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-46	KAOKA AV	0.26	11,800	0	11,800
41-48	KAOKA AV	0.52	13,100	0	13,100
41-51	MASCOMA AV	0.13	55,800	0	55,800
41-61	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-62	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
41-75	SOUTH MTN BASE/RR AV	0.88	18,100	0	18,100
41-76	RAILROAD AV	0.29	12,000	0	12,000
41-77	RAILROAD AV	0.18	14,300	0	14,300
41-79	MASCOMA AV	0.25	11,800	0	11,800
41-80	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.26	11,800	0	11,800
41-37A	MASCOMA AV	0.52	13,100	0	13,100
41-64A	UNCANOONUC AV	0.12	11,200	0	11,200
42-2	RAILROAD AV	0.45	12,800	0	12,800
42-5	OFF RAILROAD AV	0.42	12,700	0	12,700
42-12	INCLINE AV	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
42-15	MOUNTAIN AV	0.26	11,800	0	11,800
42-18	MOUNTAIN AV	0.67	13,700	0	13,700
42-19	ORR ST	0.50	2,400	0	2,400
42-22	PARK AV	1.00	14,800	0	14,800
42-23	CROWN AV	1.19	15,700	0	15,700
42-24	CHESTNUT SLOPE	2.00	168,000	0	168,000
42-25	CHESTNUT SLOPE	1.95	6,900	0	6,900
42-28	165 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.12	11,100	0	11,100
42-29	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.11	16,300	0	16,300
42-31	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.12	16,400	0	16,400
42-32	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
42-33	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.26	11,800	0	11,800

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42-35	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
42-36	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
42-37	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	11,100	0	11,100
42-40	OFF MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.24	17,300	0	17,300
42-41	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.12	11,100	0	11,100
42-42	CHESTNUT SLOPE	4.10	21,100	0	21,100
42-45	LAKE UNCANOONUC	0.22	11,700	0	11,700
42-51	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.02	9,600	8,800	18,400
GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND TOTALS		134.39	\$1,752,600	\$8,800	\$1,761,400
GRAND TOTALS		1429.79	\$24,815,000	\$31,631,900	\$56,446,900

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Staff Members: Planning and Zoning Administrator Jonathan O'Rourke, Planning and Zoning Assistant Patty Gale, Building Code Enforcement Officer and Health Officer Marc Tessier, Assessor Scott Bartlett, Assessing and Building Assistant Mary Lavallee, and Sewer Commission Clerk Ellen Noyes.

This report comprises activities from the Planning and Zoning Office and the Building/Health Inspection Office as well as information regarding assessed values of properties in town. The citizen boards, committees and council participants are still reporting separately. These groups include the Economic Development Council, the Planning Board, its Capital Improvements Program Committee and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

PLANNING

There have been a number of planning applications reviewed this year, although they have mostly been for small projects such as lot line adjustments or small subdivisions. Goffstown welcomed two new separate businesses to town. O'Reilly's Auto Parts and Storage facilities off of Tower Lane have located their businesses to Goffstown. "Stor-U-Self", formerly Mast Road Self Storage is expanding their business as well, along with St. Anselm College, Cushing Student Center expansion and renovation. Planning worked on several other projects this year. These include but not limited to the yearly review of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) proposed matrix, and the Church Street Fire Station renovation/expansion.

In addition to the committees listed above, the Planning and Zoning Office also serves as staff to several other boards and committees, including the Conservation Commission, Highway Safety Committee, Technical Review Committee (TRC), Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission's (SNHPC) Technical Advisory Committee and other project review committees through the Commission.

The Planning and Zoning Office continues to process applications for development, however the number of applications has decreased as compared to 10 years ago. We have seen an increase over 2015. The table below shows the number of new Subdivision, Site Plan and Conceptual Plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year since 2006. The number of Time Extensions in 2010 through 2016 is indicative that developers are still finding it difficult to obtain financing for their projects and need to extend the time limits. Many of the time extensions being requested were approved prior to 2010.

Applications Reviewed by the Planning Board											
Type	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Subdivision	26	18	17	9	6	5	6	11	9	6	7
Site Plan	20	10	21	16	13	17	13	12	11	6	11
Conceptual	8	5	4	5	4	5	4	4	1	7	3
Total	54	33	42	30	23	27	23	27	21	17	21
Other Applications											
Time Extensions					9	7	6	3	5	2	3
Conditional Use Permits							8	15	5	3	2
Site Plan Waivers								5	2	0	0
Relief from Outer 50' of 100' WSWC District										2	1
Total					9	7	14	23	12	7	6

In 2016, six of subdivision applications only created 1 new single-family house lot in each. Most of the applications were either 2-lot subdivisions or Lot Line Adjustments. Only one subdivision created 3 new single-family house lots located off of the corner of Kennedy Hill Road and Addison Road. The 11 site plans were for non-residential development. Two of the Conceptual reviews were for residential and one was for a non-residential development.

ZONING

The Planning and Zoning Administrator enforces the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as specific approval conditions attached to action taken by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), Planning Board, and Historic District Commission. Investigations into possible zoning violations are largely complaint driven, although all violations observed are also investigated. Once notified of a violation, the majority of property owners take corrective action to bring their property into compliance. When compliance cannot be achieved, the Planning and Zoning Administrator works with the Town Prosecutor to pursue legal action through the District Court.

The Planning and Zoning Office serves as staff to the ZBA; assisting applicants, preparing the Board’s monthly agenda, providing a review of NH Supreme Court decisions, and serving as a liaison between the public and the Board. The Planning and Zoning Office reviews building permit applications to ensure zoning compliance, reviews sign permit applications, assists the Building Inspector/Health Officer, and performs such other duties as may be assigned.

In addition to enforcement in 2016 the Planning and Zoning Office processed applications for 23 Variances, 4 Special Exceptions, to the ZBA, 1 Rehearing Request, and 1 Appeal From An Administrative Decision, and 1 Time Extension Request. One application was withdrawn by the applicant. The Planning and Zoning Administrator issued violation notices resulting in two of the appeals. The Planning and Zoning office issued 24 commercial and 32 special event sign permits and assisted property owners affected by 2009 modifications to FEMA flood insurance rate maps.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Permit records for 2016 show that residential development is still reflecting the national housing market. New home construction has continued at a slower pace since a downturn in the economy which began around 2007. It appears that most new single-family homes are not speculative and only for homes that have actually been sold. Multi-family development occurs in small spurts every 3 or 4 years with lulls in between. This trend will most likely continue.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1 and 2-Family Units	38	20	20	20	15	14	28	22	21	14	15
Multi-Family Units	24	0	0	29	1	0	0	48	0	0	0

Goffstown faces challenges of growth and additional pressures on our infrastructure do to development in our neighboring communities.

The town issued 15 permits for new - One and Two family homes/Accessory dwelling units and 4 new and/or additions to commercial developments.

Permit / Fee Source	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	28	\$10,125	22	\$6,992	19	\$6,709	14	\$5,400	15	\$5,649
Condo/Multi-Family Units	0	\$0	48	\$12,465	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	0
Miscellaneous Residential Permits	432	\$24,361	259	\$13,593	259	\$21,074	505	\$23,136	183	\$11,024
New Commercial Permits	2	\$1,712	4	\$10,363	3	\$12,253	0	\$0	4	\$17,802
Miscellaneous Commercial Permits	62	\$4,105	53	\$15,796	38	\$7,867	58	\$9,380	15	\$4,308
Health Inspections	12	\$60	23	\$0	13	\$0	3	\$0	6	-
Junkyard Inspections	1	\$25	1	\$25	1	\$25	1	\$25	1	\$25
Mobile Home Park Inspections	2	\$200	2	\$200	2	\$200	4	\$400	-	-
Foster/Group/Day Care Inspection	5	\$150	6	\$270	17	\$710	7	\$230	13	\$42
Sign Permits	24	\$1,005	24	\$1,215	22	\$1,005	29	\$1,430		
ZBA Applications	57	\$4,833	59	\$6,279		\$5,102	40	\$6,559	15	\$1,705
Planning Board Applications	37	\$22,070	43	\$16,811	33	\$27,097	24	\$8,153	25	\$18,572
Misc. Fees / Sales	-	\$804	-	\$1,228	-	\$407	-	\$1,097	-	\$325
TOTALS	-	\$69,450	-	\$84,209	-	\$82,042	-	\$55,810	-	\$59,452

(The Building Department along with collection of Building Permit Fees, also collects Life Safety Permit Fees for the Fire Department. This year there was a total of 386 permits issued at a value of \$20,210.00.)

The following table depicts impact fees collected over the past few years:

Permit / Impact Fee Source	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
School Impact Fees	26	\$125,068	15	\$195,878	17	\$94,604	14	\$83,445	15	\$94,604
Transportation Impact Fees	26	\$19,317	15	\$33,759	17	\$10,674	13	\$9,045	15	\$10,584
Recreation Impact Fees	26	\$25,300	15	\$26,230	17	\$14,550	14	\$12,910	15	\$14,685
Public Safety Facilities Impact Fees	26	\$20,496	15	\$45,384	17	\$13,176	14	\$10,980	15	\$12,676
Other Recreation Fees	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
TOTALS	104	\$190,181	60	\$301,251	68	\$133,004	55	\$116,380	60	\$132,549

Town engineering review costs are also reimbursed through fees, or for larger projects, through an escrow account, as shown in the table below:

Engineering Reimbursement	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Fees	\$1,200	\$1,950	\$960	\$1,680	\$5,280	\$1,470	\$1,680	\$3,360
Initial Escrow	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$4,400	\$1,400	\$4,200	\$9,800	\$7,000	\$8,400
TOTALS	\$2,200	\$3,950	\$5,360	\$3,080	\$9,480	\$11,270	\$8,680	\$11,760

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Goffstown was fortunate in 2016 to not have experienced extreme flooding as has been witnessed in prior years. Goffstown did not face any significant public health issues in 2016. The Health Officer performed miscellaneous health inspections throughout the year.

Public health has always been a concern for our Town and residents. Residents are encouraged to check the Town web site for information on issues of concern or other health related matters affecting our community. We encourage all to promote a safe and healthy environment at home, work or play.

ASSESSING

In the early 2000’s, new residential development added to Goffstown’s tax base, creating a decline in the proportion of non-residential property to residential property. With the recent decline in residential development, accompanied by the decline in the residential housing market, we are now seeing an increase in the proportion of non-residential property to residential property.

Total and Non-Residential Assessed Value (Millions)											
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Assessed Value	1,251	1,262	1,419	1,421	1,425	1,337	1,343	1,337	1,352	1,363	1,460
Non-Residential Assessed Value	135	135	171	174	177	178.9	180.7	187.6	191.5	195.5	211.6
Equalization Ratio	76.5%	80.1%	95.6%	100%	103.7%	99.7%	101.6%	99.4%	94.7%	92.3%	97%
Equal Total Assess	1,635	1,576	1,484	1,421	1,374	1,337	1,330	1,345	1,428	1,482	1,505
Equal Non-Residential Assess	176	169	179	174	171	178.9	178.9	188.7	202.2	212.6	218.1
Non-Residential = Percentage of Total	10.8%	10.7%	12.1%	12.2%	12.4%	13.4%	13.5%	14.0%	14.2%	14.3%	14.5%

*2016 equalization ratio will not be determined by the DRA until later in the year. Estimated @ 97%

IMPACT FEES

Impact Fee studies are generally reviewed and updated every five years. The Planning Board adopted updated methodology for the Transportation Impact Fees and the School Impact Fees in late 2011, however, the Board only adopted the new fees associated with the School Impact Fee methodology and kept the Transportation Impact Fees the same. This year, it is time to begin evaluating the Public Safety Facilities Impact Fee Methodology as well as the Recreation Impact Fee Methodology.

Impact Fees are assessed when a building permit is issued and are collected when the Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Concurrently, projects expanding capacity are approved, thereby becoming qualifying projects for which impact fees might provide funding or future reimbursement. Impact fees may not be used for maintenance projects. The following tables indicate fees collected, qualifying projects, fees disbursed, and year-end fund availability.

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated December 20, 2007]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Public Safety Facility Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/07		\$0		\$0
12/31/08		\$2,931.30		\$0
12/31/09		\$11,004.32		\$0
12/31/10		\$40,318.35		\$0
12/31/11		\$46,935.43		\$0
12/31/12		\$67,453.23		\$0
06/10/13	Design for Fire Station Improvement Program at Stations 17, 18, and 19.		\$18,350.00	9/30/13 \$18,350.00
12/31/13		\$94,498.91		
12/31/14		\$107,682.82		
12/31/15		\$118,922.21		
	Expansion of the Emergency Operations Center/Training Room at the Police Department		\$85,515.00	03/07/16 \$85,515.00
12/31/16		\$45,253.25		

RECREATION IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated February 13, 2003]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Recreation Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		\$2,000.79		\$0
12/31/05		\$22,708.77		\$0
12/31/06		\$60,692.79		\$0
12/31/07		\$83,310.54		\$0
12/31/08		\$94,965.03		\$0
	Barnard Park Play-ground Expansion		\$14,363.52	11/25/09 \$14,363.52
12/31/09		\$103,560.56		
	2009 Trail Bureau Grant Match		\$9,000.00	Dec. 2010 \$9,000.00
12/31/10		\$116,011.88		
	Design project for Barnard/Pare land		\$8,000.00	Dec. 2011 \$8,000.00
12/31/11		\$117,883.46		
3/12/12	Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$19,535.80	3/26/12 \$19,535.80
7/23/12	Remainder of Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$59,536.20	7/24/12 \$59,536.20
12/31/12		\$64,143.90		
12/31/13		\$87,911.36		
12/31/14		\$102,469.85		
12/31/15		\$106,361.50		
	Development of athletic fields and parking on the Barnard/Pare property.		\$65,000.00	03/07/16 \$65,000.00
12/31/16		\$54,871.69		

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Road Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		\$26,842.84		\$0
	2005 Road Reclamation		\$17,429.66	
12/31/05		\$9,413.18		\$17,429.66
12/31/06		\$24,571.07		\$0
12/31/07		\$38,467.12		\$0
	Rosemont Drainage	\$47,604.99		
12/31/08			\$52,800	\$0
	Henry Bridge Road and Mountain Road Bridges		\$605,001	
	Snook Road Reclaim		\$160,779.26	
	Paige Hill Road Reclaim		\$138,300	
	Merrill Road Reclaim		\$132,442.20	
12/31/09		\$22,339.24		\$44,000
12/31/10		\$47,036.87		
12/31/11		\$53,382.17		
12/31/12		\$72,724.63		
12/10/13	CMAQ Grant Project – Elm/High/Main & Pleasant/Main St		\$62,448	12/10/13 \$62,448
12/31/13		\$44,048.21		
12/31/14		\$54,771.17		
12/31/15	Transportation Enhancement Grant Project	\$8,965.68		11/23/15 \$55,000
12/31/16		\$18,771.92		

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/01		\$22,979.19		\$0
12/31/02		\$128,533.42		\$0
12/31/03		\$456,024.45		\$0
12/31/04		\$620,785.35		\$0
	Expand parking and fields at High School		\$186,390	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from impact fees.		\$436,769	
12/31/05		\$213,655.47		\$623,159
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from new taxes.		\$256,202	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from unreserved fund balance.		\$400,000	
12/31/06		\$367,101.20		\$0
	Kindergarten: additional funding authorized by 2006 school meeting to come from impact fees.		\$306,510	
12/31/07		\$473,054.17		\$0
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from impact fees		\$216,000	
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from reserve fund		\$384,000	
12/31/08		\$151,197.20		\$376,000
12/31/09		\$263,014.09		\$0
	Architectural and Engineering Study of the School District's Elementary facilities – Authorized by 2010 vote to have \$215,000 come from impact fees		\$215,000	10/26/10 \$215,000
12/31/10		\$162,900.28		
	Additional funds for Architectural and Engineering Study of the School District's Elementary facilities for Bartlett and Maple Avenue Schools		\$162,900	4/20/11 \$162,900
12/31/11		\$39,207.73		
12/31/12		164,311.14		
12/31/13		\$360,220.98		
12/31/14		\$454,867.91		
12/31/15	Bartlett Elementary School Portable Classrooms	\$248,307.43		\$291,100
12/31/16		\$334,855.34		

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

This year the Town and Board of Selectmen received the results of the Economic Development Self Assessment (EDSAT). Staff collaborated with Southern NH Planning Commission and local property owners to take advantage of available Brownfields Assessment funding and make vacant commercial property more attractive.

During the year staff also participated in bi-monthly Technical Review Committee meetings to review proposed and potential development in Town. Time continues to be spent collaborating with the Main Street Program, Southern NH Planning Commission, Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Hillsborough County, and NH Division of Economic Development to promote economic growth in Goffstown. In 2017 Economic Development will return to the Planning & Zoning Office and be moved forward by Planning & Economic Development Director Jonathan O'Rourke.

Respectfully submitted,
Derek Horne, Economic Development Coordinator

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

The Town's IT Office manages computer hardware, software, database and information systems including the Town's Geographic Information System (GIS), networks, telecommunications, and the Town web page. We provide service for Administration, Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Departments, and assist the Town Library as well.

The rapid expansion of our reliance on technology solutions continues to drive our focus. We need to be more connected, both between buildings and between organizations on the Internet, requiring a focused attention on better and faster means of communicating. In 2016 we put out an RFP for Dark Fiber to connect our municipal departments. We also made plans to upgrade our Internet bandwidth.

Over the years we have moved from slow dial-up modem Internet connections relegated to a few select employees, to having Mobile Data Terminals or tablets in all our emergency vehicles, and several of our public works vehicles as well. I foresee an even greater reliance on mobile terminals and smart communication devices in the very near future. To accommodate the expanding Technology needs of the Town, we added a part-time IT support position this year.

Besides beginning the construction of our Fiber network this year, we helped the Fire Department with the technology design requirements for their Fire Station improvement project on Church Street. Because of the new construction, we relocated administrative staff and their workstations to Town Hall and the Pinardville fire station. We helped the Police department add technical capabilities to support several more towns with their regional dispatch coverage. We assisted the Police Department in adding body cameras and associated video functionality to their daily routines. We helped the Public Works Department incorporate ArcGIS Online as an asset management tool, utilizing tablets to verify and update information in the field. We extended our

network to the DPW garage so technicians can better utilize diagnostics tools and access the fleet information system. At our Parks and Recreation Department we assisted with the requirements, installation, and setup of their new RecDesk program. This program allows the department to take online registrations and payments by credit card, as well as organize department administrative functions. We also helped the Library move from their old network connection to a modern fiber connection.

We upgraded the Server versions of several administrative information system servers utilizing our virtual server setup to avoid any system downtime. In preparation for our new network functionality, we upgraded and configured our network switching and routing capabilities town wide. This year Town Hall started using Facebook more as a means of communicating with the public. While we still use the town website, Nixle (emergency notifications), and building postings as we always have, each department now has a Facebook page. Feedback, use, and response has been almost exclusively positive, and our insights show that thousands of people have been reached, meeting a goal of the Selectmen to improve communications. Videos posted on Facebook by the Goffstown Cable TV station (GTV) this year have had more than 100,000 views!

The IT Office also oversees GTV. Coordinator Adam McCune continues to innovate and improve the quality of the Goffstown TV product. Meetings are streamed live on the Internet as well as broadcast live on TV, and many school events are broadcast live as well. New sports cameras and many volunteers have helped GTV cover an unprecedented number of School athletics events. The response has been wildly enthusiastic. JVC even highlighted a video produced by GTV in one of their marketing newsletters. The productions are available to watch anytime on VIMEO and YouTube. Look to the Goffstown TV Report for further details.

Respectfully Submitted,
IT Director Neil Funcke

GOFFSTOWN TV REPORT

In 2016, Goffstown TV saw phenomenal growth in online viewership, volunteer hours, and studio usage, as well as ever-expanding varsity athletics coverage. This year GTV upgraded our field camera equipment. This simple upgrade, which was researched and planned for over a year, led to a boom in our already active sports coverage. The JVC-GY200SP camera allows staff and residents to easily overlay a scoreboard onto video footage of a game. The scoreboard is inputted wirelessly through an iPad while recording the game. It provides a clean, professional finish to our videos for the TV channel and online.

The cameras can be used as “regular” camcorders, and replaced our aging Panasonic cameras that had served us for many years. Residents are excited with the simplicity and quality of the new equipment, which improves our workflow as well. The scoreboard overlay and other features cut down the time to access and process files by 90%. JVC used Goffstown TV as a case-study in a press release, highlighting our quality output using these cameras. Our coverage of sporting events increased from 16 productions in 2015, to 52 in 2016.

In 2015, volunteer crews included football, softball and hockey. In 2016 we added full crews for soccer, basketball, wrestling, swimming and girls' volleyball. We already have committed volunteers for lacrosse, boys' volleyball and baseball in 2017. All of these crews include play-by-play and scoreboard graphics. Our coverage has pushed new boundaries as well. Sports that might not garner attention even from local press, have seen multi-camera productions matching what college-level athletes might expect. Wrestling coverage, with an innovative above-the-mat angle and swim meets, are now becoming the norm for us, while gaining valuable volunteers. GTV has had 9 sports oriented volunteers in 2015, increasing to 30 in 2016.

Obviously, sports were not the only focus of Goffstown TV this year. Our coverage of local meetings and public studio tapings continued at a healthy clip. GTV aired 436 unique shows on channel 16, and averaged between 3 and 7 studio tapings per week. 179 meetings were aired, with almost all of them broadcasting live, including from new spaces like the step room at the high school (Budget committee). These meetings were rebroadcast more than 5500 times on channel 22.

Our online presence saw another jump in growth. For the second straight year, our YouTube channel was watched more than 100,000 minutes during 17,312 views. This reflects a 16% increase over the previous year. Our government meeting videos were replayed 1,522 times utilizing our "On Demand" feature. More than a third of these plays were on mobile devices.

Our Facebook page saw enormous growth, passing 1000 likes and gaining massive views of videos posted. In 2016, our Facebook videos were viewed 95,114 times. This includes 3,700 views of the "trash on the lawn" day that DPW facilitated at Maple Avenue Elementary, as well as sports highlights and the Pinardville+911= say "Goffstown" public service announcement. The reach of the Facebook posts helps to satisfy the Selectmen goal of improved communications with the public. The online presence of Goffstown TV rivals much larger stations in the same medium. Places like The Seattle Channel, Open Signal (Portland, OR) and NewTV (Newton, MA) public access cable entities with Facebook pages regularly see half the interaction that Goffstown TV sees on a weekly basis, in spite of much larger population bases and operational staff.

As we look ahead to 2017, Goffstown TV aspires to make advances in arts programming, and to give residents a show to inform viewers of local events, filling a void created by the decaying local media market and lack of news presence. Our position as a community hub for education, entertainment, and information will only be strengthened in the year to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Adam McCune, Goffstown TV Coordinator

GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016

RSA 165 requires Municipalities throughout the state to lend financial assistance and support to any person(s) who are unable to support themselves. Eligibility is based on guidelines established, reviewed, and adjusted by the Selectmen on an annual basis and any assistance granted is paid directly through a voucher system.

Our regional economy has shown additional improvement during 2016, but there is still a segment of our community who experience financial hardship. Unemployment, under-employment, disabilities and support issues are the largest contributing factors in requests for assistance. Funding from State and Federal agencies continues to shrink and stricter eligibility guidelines become the reality, the burden continues to be on Goffstown's taxpayers. Despite the decrease in gas and fuel oil costs, housing and other utility expenses continue to rise, affecting the number of applications and grants of General Assistance.

The Welfare Officer facilitated payment arrangements with utility providers and interfaced with other agencies on behalf of many residents who otherwise did not qualify for Town assistance. Referrals were made to the local Community Action Program at So. NH Services for fuel and electric assistance, and to other federal, state and local agencies. The largest need for general assistance continues in the category of housing; referrals for emergency housing is provided to the local homeless outreach. We received fewer completed applications in 2016; 22 recipient households received General Assistance in 2016, 4 of those received housing assistance for an average of 6 months each.

2016 Financial Assistance Categories:

Housing.....	\$22,876.88	Heat&UtilitiesExpenses.....	\$1,901.61
Transportation.....	\$648.57	Food/HouseholdNecessities.....	\$459.77
Cremations.....	\$261.32		
		TOTAL	<u>\$26,893.49</u>

Recipient Assistance Statistical Data	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
# of Contacts	254	136	125
# of Applicants	46	72	51
# of Applicants Eligible	36	21	22
Financial Assistance Granted	\$37,317	\$23,763	\$26,148

The Town is grateful for the continued support of the local church and civic organizations, which generously assist whenever possible. We are fortunate to have the following organizations assist community residents in need: Goffstown Network, Community Clothing Center, Goffstown Clergy Association, Lions Club, St. Matthew's Outreach Program, Goffstown Congregational Church, International Order of Odd Fellows, and Greater Bedford Womanade. Their generosity helped to stretch the annual budget of the Town's General Assistance Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Redmond, Welfare Officer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

I can't help but smile as I report to you, from my perspective, about Town Clerk events and actions relating to 2016. The year was a whirlwind of activity with preparation and organizing of four elections in addition to processing approximately 21,000 motor vehicle registrations amid performing other Town Clerk Office services. My recollection of interactions with residents, town and school staff and government officials are all very positive due to the spirit of cooperation exhibited by many.

Planning for election logistics and staffing, at two polling locations, begins weeks in advance of each Election Day. Analysis of the number of previous NH Presidential Primary Election Day ballots cast indicated that we had to plan for a significant voter turnout at both Bartlett Elementary School and Goffstown High School for February 9th. Meeting all the NH RSA legal requirements for polling place layout and adequate staffing to expeditiously get voters in and out of the polls was a major concern.

While brainstorming strategies, Superintendent of Schools, Brian Balke, reached out and generously offered to come to our aid, authorizing the use of the big gymnasium at GHS and extra classroom space at Bartlett School. His accommodation at GHS, not only included use of the space for Election Day, but for the entire day before allowing for implementation of a new poll design floor plan. He advised that we pilot our layout for the February Election, observe and strategize future voter flow enhancements and then plan to utilize the big gym again Nov. 8th for the even bigger Presidential Election. At the end of our Election planning discussion, the "Super Guy", as affectionately called by my elementary-aged grandson, reminded me that his office operates as part of the community team and that we had the support of the entire school district staff and their resources to help meet voter's expectations!

The Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator, Sue Desruisseaux, demonstrated their full support and leadership to ensure the quality of four 2016 election days. The Selectmen authorized a substantial increase to the Election budget fully understanding the legal requirements to prepare and conduct voting at two locations. The Town Administrator coordinated pre-planning initiatives and Election Days' support with Town Department Heads. Town staff members willingly assisted with pre-election and post-election day tasks. On Election Days several Department Heads checked in regularly with the Town Clerk and Moderator volunteering their assistance to respond to situations that called for immediate attention. At each election, Selectmen were present at both polls as Election Officials assuming their duties as the "eyes of the public" and greeting residents. Throughout each long Election Day, they cheerfully assisted the Moderator and Town Clerk with operational duties in true team spirit!

Running four elections requires recruitment of many patriotic citizens to perform all the Election Day duties required by law and to provide an efficient voting process. Deputy Town Clerk, Karen LeClerc, and I are extremely grateful for the contributions of each worker. We often hear incoming voters express their appreciation to workers that are visibly performing Election Day tasks.

However, many of the procedural tasks that are required to fulfill election requirements are performed behind the scenes and escape the purview of the public. This year I would like to offer my special thanks to several citizens serving in key capacities as election workers:

James Raymond, James Shirley, Raymond Cloutier and Earl Carrel - Moderator Stark

appointed four additional GHS Asst. Moderators to approve absentee ballots and lead teams processing absentee ballots.

Mary Ann Waldorf and Ruth E. Gage -Worked a collection of 125 clerical hours in the weeks leading up to the Presidential Election, assisting Town Clerk staff to prepare, record and organize approximately 1000 absentee ballots.

Brad Parkhurst and Steve Waldorf -Assisted with the physical set-up at GHS for all four elections, papering and taping the GHS Election Day voter route with a plethora of directional signs to aid incoming and exiting voters.

Lorraine Pinard, Claire and Ralph Risser –Coordinated election food shopping, performed pre-election clerical assistance and organized election equipment and supplies for transport to the polls.

Scott Gross – Came to the Town Clerk’s aid “at the 11th hour” to rally an extra ten counters and lead the Nov. 8th count team, Election night, and the coordination of examining ballots and recording write-in votes.

The team efforts to provide residents voting at Bartlett Elementary School with ease of access, speedy voter check-in and adherence to the rules did not go unrecognized. A Manchester attorney, serving as a challenger for the Democratic Party, in District 5, appreciatively wrote Town Moderator Stark to express how impressed he was by the professionalism of the officials working the poll. He commended Assistant Moderators Lionel Coulon and Fred Plett, Deputy Town Clerk Karen LeClerc, Assistant Clerk Lillian Coulon and Selectman Mark Lemay for their displays of professionalism throughout the entire day. The accolades specifically described the officials’ commitment to ensuring that every citizen had an opportunity to exercise their right to vote on November 8th. It was observed that the colleagues treated every voter equally with patience and kindness. Rules were enforced so professionally and graciously that no one complained or objected. The ultimate compliment was that “our Republic is in good hands”.

Once again, the people of this community inspire me! I’d like to express my heartfelt “thank you” for your valuable contributions to achieve Election Day goals.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your Goffstown Town Clerk. As always, my goal is to ensure that your interaction with our office is pleasant and efficient. I welcome your input and ideas.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Ball, Town Clerk

2016 TOWN CLERK TRANSACTIONS

ACCOUNT	2013	2014	2015	2016
Motor Vehicle Permits:	\$2,530,111	\$2,679,985	\$2,838,256	\$3,089,910
Boat Fees	\$6,633	\$6,807	\$7,363	\$7,184
Dog Licenses & Fees	\$18,985	\$17,363	\$18,264	\$14,292
Licenses, Permits & Misc. Fees	\$6,095	\$5,958	\$5,465	\$4,706
Vital Record Fees	\$5,204	\$6,890	\$6,901	\$7,056
TOTALS:	\$2,567,028	\$2,717,003	\$2,876,249	\$3,123,148

VITAL STATISTICS 2016 BIRTHS

Birth Date	Child's Name	Father's/ Partner's Name	Mother's Name	Birth Place
Jan.				
4	Holub, Callazo Major		Castro, Mara	Manchester, NH
7	Whitebone, Landon James	Whitebone, James	Whitebone, Alyssa	Nashua, NH
24	Fasano, Elizabeth Adelle	Fasano, Brian	Fasano, Kimberley	Manchester, NH
Feb.				
12	Jutras, Joel David	Jutras, Jeremy	Jutras, Katie	Manchester, NH
24	Murphy, Camden Robert	Murphy, Andrew	Murphy, Allison	Manchester, NH
29	Peterson, Jace Daniel	Peterson, Justin	Peterson, Janna	Manchester, NH
Mar.				
28	Kolenski, Cali Jade	Kolenski, Jeffrey	Miller, Jamie	Manchester, NH
Apr.				
27	McGeehan, Piper Marie	McGeehan, James	McGeehan, Debra	Concord, NH
May				
7	Elechko, Joy Johnyne Elizabeth	Elechko, Peter	Elechko, Sarah	Manchester, NH
9	Johnson, Bradley Charles Royes	Johnson, Brandon	Royes, Jessica	Nashua, NH
17	Bohn, Madeline Marie	Bohn, Kristian	Bohn, Meghan	Nashua, NH
20	Marchant, Margaret Elizabeth	Marchant, George	Marchant, Melissa	Manchester, NH
25	Barrett, Avery Lynn	Barrett, Christopher	Barrett, Amanda	Manchester, NH
Jun.				
2	Stribling, Jack Ronald	Stribling, Kevin	Stribling, Brenda	Manchester, NH
8	Cases-Phelps, Finn Mark	Phelps, Mark	Cases, Marisa	Exeter, NH
11	Proctor, Bryan Riley	Proctor, James	Proctor, Danielle	Manchester, NH
25	Lalloz, Benjamin	Lalloz, Jason	Lalloz, Mariana	Manchester, NH
30	Tejeda, Adrianna Karina	Tejeda, Carlos	Tejeda, Soraya	Manchester, NH
Jul.				
1	Ezzideen, Parker Kevin	Ezzideen, Preston	Ezzideen, Caleigh	Manchester, NH
4	Napoli, Robert Gerard	Napoli, Jonathan	Napoli, Whitney	Manchester, NH
8	Wilkinson V, William Joseph	Wilkinson IV, William	Femino, Samantha	Manchester, NH
12	Beauzile, Carter Daniel	Beauzile, Kevin	Beauzile, Vanessa	Manchester, NH
15	Iacocca, Emma Rose	Iacocca, Mark	Iacocca, Meryl	Nashua, NH
19	Wise, Corbin Charles	Wise, Joshua	Wise, April	Lebanon, NH

Birth Date	Child's Name	Father's/ Partner's Name	Mother's Name	Birth Place
19	Wise, Caden Alan	Wise, Joshua	Wise, April	Lebanon, NH
Aug.				
3	Weeks, Quinn Marie	Weeks, Anthony	Weeks, Heather	Manchester, NH
8	Beaudoin, Caleb Richard	Beaudoin, Kevin	Beaudoin, Taylor	Manchester, NH
10	Plumpton, Noury Jean	Plumpton, Timothy	Plumpton, Caitlin	Manchester, NH
Sep.				
3	Denniston, Grant Howden	Denniston, Grant	Denniston, Alyssa	Manchester, NH
11	Sargent, Penelope Grace	Sargent Jr, Charles	Sargent, Heather	Concord, NH
30	Gilbert, Natalie Deborah	Gilbert, Adam	Gilbert, Kerry	Manchester, NH
Oct.				
1	Pike, Mason John	Pike, Michael	Pike, Jennifer	Manchester, NH
16	Adams, Grace Marie	Adams, Dane	Adams, Emily	Manchester, NH
Nov.				
12	Goodine, Mavis Louise		Knowles-Vanderhoof, Kayla	Manchester, NH
12	Tufts, Aurora Maria	Tufts, Gregory	Tufts, Emily	Manchester, NH
14	Hume, Ronin Joshua Daniel	Hume, James	Hume, Maura	Concord, NH
28	Roy, Lucy Marie	Roy, Matthew	Roy, Jennifer	Manchester, NH
Dec.				
1	Jaworowski, Theo Timothy	Jaworowski, Konrad	Jaworowski, Kaye	Lebanon, NH
1	Jaworowski, Hazel Gail	Jaworowski, Konrad	Jaworowski, Kaye	Lebanon, NH
3	Janas, Skye Lynn	Janas, Logan	Audette, Amy	Manchester, NH
4	Janas, Callie Rose	Janas, Logan	Audette, Amy	Manchester, NH
5	Mackay, Sawyer Jeffrey	Mackay, Jeffrey	Campbell, Heather	Goffstown, NH
12	Nichols, Taylor Rose	Nichols Jr, Dana	McComiskey, Marie	Manchester, NH
15	Winter, Dominick Wade	Winter, Douglas	Cullen, Ashley	Manchester, NH
23	Roman, Katerina Rose	Roman, Jeremiah	Neal, Hilary	Manchester, NH

Total Number of Births: 45

2016 MARRIAGES

Date	Name	Residence	Name	Residence	Place Married
Jan.					
3	Mailhiot III, Robert A.	Manchester, NH	McCarty, Tiffany A.	Goffstown, NH	No. Conway
23	Hart, Joshua S.	Goffstown, NH	Wright, Andrea E.	Goffstown, NH	Jackson
Feb.					
19	Paquin, David M.	Goffstown, NH	DeBlois, Brigitte A.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
20	Lecuyer, David A.	Goffstown, NH	Galloway, Elaine M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
20	Morin, Scott M.	Goffstown, NH	Martel, Laura J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
Mar. - None					
Apr.					
2	Patton, Joshua D.	Goffstown, NH	Castelot, Laura J.	Goffstown, NH	Lincoln
15	Staples, Steven J.	Goffstown, NH	Vachon, Donna M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
16	Arteaga Jr., Jose Luis	Goffstown, NH	Campbell, Siaina M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
24	Naujoks, Stephen P.	Goffstown, NH	Hilton, Krista	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
30	Major, David R.	Goffstown, NH	LeClerc, Kimberly J.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
30	Ridge, Jason A.	Nashua, NH	Harrington, Samantha J.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
30	Lemire, Joseph J.	Goffstown, NH	Riley, Morgan A.	Merrimack, NH	Bedford
May					
1	Murphy, William J.	Goffstown, NH	Simard, Lisa P.	Goffstown, NH	Concord
1	Lessard, Ryan M.	Goffstown, NH	Ercengiz, Sinehan I.	Goffstown, NH	Gilmanton
6	Tremblay, Paul A.	Goffstown, NH	Robie, Tanya E.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
14	Fredette, Joshua A.	Goffstown, NH	Fontaine, Joyce M.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
21	Diamond, Christopher	Goffstown, NH	Luicha, Nicole R.	Goffstown, NH	Dunbarton
21	Doyle Jr., Michael P.	Goffstown, NH	Dionne, Kimberly A.	Goffstown, NH	Hollis
22	Ashauer, Luke A.	Marshfield, VT	Therrien, Kari A.	Goffstown, NH	Chichester
26	Mangold, Zachary A.	Goffstown, NH	Brooks, Christina M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
Jun.					
5	Medeiros, Douglas R.	Manhattan, KS	Lambert, Kelsea L.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
6	Foote, Shawn M.	Goffstown, NH	Scott, Ashley M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
25	Menard, Scott A.	Goffstown, NH	Stearn, April D.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
Jul.					
2	Johnson, Donald J.	Goffstown, NH	Legro, Nancy L.	Goffstown, NH	Atkinson
3	Mundt, Alexander W.	Cochranon, PA	Laporte, Alyse C.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
16	Russo, Joseph J.	Goffstown, NH	Garrity, Courtney R.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
30	George Jr., Leonard L.	Goffstown, NH	Hayes, Jodi L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
30	Lavoy, Scott D.	Goffstown, NH	Ginsberg, Emily S.	Goffstown, NH	Tilton

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Aug.					
6	Stevens, Glen A.	Goffstown, NH	Brennan, Laura J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
12	Jackman, Nathan D.	Goffstown, NH	Swiadas, Alina V.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
20	Lamontagne, Kevin J.	Goffstown, NH	Carr, Lisa M.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
20	Sawicki, Patrick M.	Goffstown, NH	Boone, Emily M.	Goffstown, NH	Plymouth
21	Kiluk, Mary Jane	Goffstown, NH	Robinson, Marc A.	Goffstown, NH	Mason
27	Bernard, Kenneth G.	Goffstown, NH	Curtis, Christine B.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
27	Stasz, Justin S.	Manchester, NH	Berube, Amelia C.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
Sep.					
3	Ashton, Ward J.	Goffstown, NH	Combs, Julianne M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
3	Stefanilo, Joshua A.	Goffstown, NH	Keller, Jennifer C.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
4	Methot, Lucas P.	Goffstown, NH	Monier, Ashley J.	Goffstown, NH	Laconia
4	Pimenta, Jarrett M.	Goffstown, NH	Fournier, Bridgette A.	Goffstown, NH	Chichester
9	Nault, Craig M.	Goffstown, NH	Cahill, Jordan P.	Goffstown, NH	Milford
10	Bemis, Brett A.	Goffstown, NH	Tessier, Ashley L.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
10	Burnor, Christopher G.	Goffstown, NH	Woolrich, Stephanie R.	Goffstown, NH	Laconia
17	Fontaine, Dany S.	Goffstown, NH	Perreault, Shelley L.	Goffstown, NH	Hooksett
17	Liimatainen, Adam D.	Goffstown, NH	Cady, Emily A.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
17	Meagher, Brain P.	Goffstown, NH	Jacklin, Kerry I.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
17	Johnson, Christopher F.	Goffstown, NH	Kelsey, Erin E.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
24	Stevens, Gregory J.	Goffstown, NH	D'Urso, Lauren M.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
24	Williamson, Benjamin J.	Goffstown, NH	Mailhot, Jessica L.	Goffstown, NH	Newbury
24	Martin, David J.	Goffstown, NH	Guindon, Danielle M.	Goffstown, NH	New London
30	Fauteux, Jonathan C.	Goffstown, NH	Greaney, Samantha L.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
Oct.					
1	Howard Jr., Frank C.	Goffstown, NH	Terragni, Caitlin B.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
1	Girard, Keith M.	Goffstown, NH	Foley, Kaitlin E.	Goffstown, NH	Gilford
1	Connor, Adam J.	Goffstown, NH	Huot, Kirsten L.	Goffstown, NH	Albany
8	Davidson Jr., Donald W.	Goffstown, NH	Duval, Brenda L.	Goffstown, NH	Windham
8	Biron, Robert P.	Goffstown, NH	Snow, Deborah D.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
8	Reid, Jonathan S.	Hooksett, NH	Harrington, Chelsea R.	Goffstown, NH	Franconia
Nov.					
19	Drelick, Travis P.	Goffstown, NH	Nichols, Brooke A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
Dec.					
29	Skersey, Mark A.	Goffstown, NH	Heustis, Mary Ann C.	Manchester, NH	Manchester
31	Clarke, AutumnRose	Goffstown, NH	Johnson, Kristina N.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
31	Boisvert Jr., Michael J.	Goffstown, NH	Hanley, Shawn H.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester

Total Number of Marriages: 60

2016 DEATHS

Date	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Jan.				
7	Michaud, Conrad	Goffstown	Michaud, Joseph	Belanger, Josephine
12	Keane Jr., Thomas	Goffstown	Keane, Thomas	Brennan, Rose
19	Marchand, Richard	Manchester	Marchand, Albert	Ferreira, Clementine
25	Vaillancourt, Gaetan	Goffstown	Vaillancourt, Raoul	Nadeau, Mary
26	Cugini, Karen	Manchester	Houde, Kenneth	Pattenden, Barbara
27	O'Brien, Elinor	Goffstown	O'Brien, Eugene	Moynihan, Ethel
27	Farella, Jacqueline	Goffstown	Philibotte, George	Hoyt, Grace
Feb.				
6	Cote, Pauline	Goffstown	Demers, Arthur	Goodwin, Ruby
9	Altman, Burnett	Goffstown	Altman, Philemon	Matthews, Edith
10	Demers Jr, Henry	Manchester	Demers Sr, Henry	Bryan, Katherine
15	Frost, Tyler	Goffstown	Barton, Omer	Lucier, Patricia
18	Heath, Mary	Goffstown	Keegan, Charles	Toomey, Agnes
19	Adams, Alice	Goffstown	Fraser, James	Brown, Laura
20	Coughlin Sr, Richard	Manchester	Coughlin, John	Tinel, Madeline
21	Ellington, Virginia	Goffstown	Ellington, Stanley	Destcroix, Stella
22	Doiron, Stella	Goffstown	Beles, Adam	Peltak, Mary
23	Matthews, Peter	Goffstown	Matthews, Henry	Maitland, Margaret
23	Day, Rose	Derry	Gillespie, James	Sheridan, Veronica
25	Boucher, Gracienne	Goffstown	Perrault, Irene	Barriere, Marie
26	Moore, Lorraine	Goffstown	Grady, George	Arsenault, Louise
Mar.				
2	Lench, Sandra	Merrimack	Lench, John	Therrien, Lorraine
7	Kriksciun, Paul	Goffstown	Kriksciun, Alexander	Mikalauskus, Lucy
9	Harden, Michael	Goffstown	Harden Jr., Andrew	Lowe, Donna
13	Connors, Louise	Peterborough	Unknown	Duggento, Unknown
16	Varjabedian, Armen	Goffstown	Varjabedian, Serop	Russell, Geneva
16	Bauer, Lawrence	Goffstown	Bauer, Frank	Rupp, Theresa
23	Gahringer, Betty	Goffstown	Gahringer, Ervin	Zastro, Helene
28	Hill, Virginia	Merrimack	White, George	Chavier, Mary
31	Robidoux, Robert	Goffstown	Robidoux, Maurice	Royer, Irene
Apr.				
3	Jobin, William	Goffstown	Jobin, Arthur	Rivett, Edith
3	Koyiadas, Angelina	Goffstown	Triantafellow, Alexander	Exharopolis, Paras
6	Bedard, Berangere	Goffstown	Bedard, Herve	Marette, Rose
7	Eaton, Richard	Derry	Welch Jr, Richard	Eaton, Margaret
9	Wilder, Virginia	Goffstown	Twombly, Albert	White, Hazel
9	Hicks, Arlene	Manchester	Kingsbury, Everett	Baker, Florence

Date	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Apr. cont.				
11	Belanger, Raymond	Goffstown	Belanger, Louis	Couture, Alice
13	Westover, Joan	Manchester	Golden, John	Locke, Nellie
17	Audet, Marcelle	Goffstown	Pinard, Joseph	Jutras, Doria
18	Rouleau, Ronald	Goffstown	Rouleau, Albert	Brousseau, Lorraine
25	Philippy, Madeline	Manchester	Drouin, Osias	Gagnon, Yvonne
May				
1	Biron, Elizabeth	Goffstown	Dodge, George	Blanchard, Anna
2	Fredette, Arline	Goffstown	Couture, Amedee	Harrity, Beatrice
9	MacDonald, Weldon	Merrimack	MacDonald, Grant	Moylan, Dorothy
10	Santos, Americo	Goffstown	Santos, Jose	Unknown, Clutilde
10	Chapman, Sarah	Goffstown	McRae, Harry	Soriven, Florence
11	Pond, Michael	Goffstown	Pond, Normand	Shaw, Jane
13	Boulter, Robert	Goffstown	Boulter, Artemus	Jonah, Euphemia
19	Grenier, Madeleine	Manchester	Giroux, George	Labbe, Matilda
22	Beard, Timothy	Manchester	Beard Sr., James	Bolton, Jennifer
23	Lambert, Elise	Goffstown	Duhaim, Rudolphe	Thiboudeau, Alice
27	Elwell, Marilyn	Goffstown	Elwell Jr, Edward	Woodward, Gloria
29	Swanson, William	Manchester	Swanson, Richard	Unknown
30	Harding, Vivian	Goffstown	Cogley, Clarence	James, Lucille
Jun.				
2	Durling, Marion	Goffstown	Bibby, George	Manell, Florence
12	Yianakopolos, Robert	Goffstown	Yianakopolos, Andreaus	Normand, Simone
15	Hall, Winston	Merrimack	Hall, Blakeny	Richards, Hazel
18	Provencher, Rita	Goffstown	Provencher, Henry	Buecher, Anna
24	Ketchie, Sally	Goffstown	Gauthier, Samuel	Gauthier, Emma
26	Ware, Craig	Manchester	Ware, Roland	Fording, Mary
Jul.				
1	Sommerkamp, Mattie	Goffstown	Strange, Lenton	Lee, Bertha
2	Larochelle, Jeanne	Manchester	Lussier, Emery	Ledoux, Rose
3	Dubois, Monica	Goffstown	Pinsonneault, Josephat	Bilodeau, Irene
4	Kelley, David	Goffstown	Kelley Sr., William	Robinson, Natalie
4	Dupuis, Cecile	Manchester	Carriere, Ernest	Lalumiere, Florida
5	Grivois, Cecile	Goffstown	Blais, Julien	Beaudoin, Jeannette
9	Fuller, Joan	Goffstown	Flannigan, Howard	Mitchell, Fannie
9	Hooper, Marion	Goffstown	Marshall, John	Norton, Lottie
11	Van Lier, Gloria	Goffstown	Anderson, Arthur	Humphrey, Beatrice
12	Keating, Doris	Concord	Delisle, Theofore	Cote, Delia
14	Christy, George	Goffstown	Christy Jr., Stratis	Christy, Maria
21	Reed, Wanda	Goffstown	Newton, Roy	Kilpatrick, Maude
28	Brooks Sr., George	Goffstown	Brooks, John	Carter, Mary Jane

Date	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Aug.				
3	Royce, Phyllis	Merrimack	Martin, Lucien	Brisette, Dora
7	Byers, James	Goffstown	Byers, James	Tremblay, Mary
13	Sciuto, Alfred	Goffstown	Sciuto, Gaetano	Sciuto, Rose
16	Valdez, Carol	Manchester	Hylander, Leslie	Patrick, Florence
25	Dion, Yvette	Goffstown	Bibeau, Henri	Brunelle, Albertine
27	Day, Carol	Manchester	Tasker, John	Baker, Katherine
29	Gendron, Carla	Goffstown	Holz, Otto	Pulz, Edith
Sep.				
7	Colombo, Eleanor	Goffstown	Gibbons, Richard	Unknown
7	Kendrick, George	Goffstown	Kendrick, Ralph	Mitchell, Alice
10	Perry, Steven	Manchester	Cloutier, Alfred	Corbin, Barbara
12	Kamradt, Pauline	Goffstown	Burlingame, Parker	Gagnon, Bernadette
14	Guild, Casey	Raymond	Guild, Jefferson	Gallagher, Joan
14	Forand, Lucille	Goffstown	Boisvert, Adelard	Lefebvre, Marie-Jeanne
15	Brown, Carmen	Goffstown	Morneau, Edmund	Pelletier, Hellena
16	Degrace, Ethel	Goffstown	Pratt, Charles	Sanders, Ida
17	Dow, Bradford	Goffstown	Dow, James	Francis, Sheila
23	Jenkins, Betty	Goffstown	Jenkins, Irwin	Holman, Margaret
30	Marquis, Frances	Goffstown	Johns, Charles	Gionet, Beatrice
30	St Onge, Richard	Goffstown	St Onge, Elzear	Blanchette, Maria
Oct.				
4	Hosmer, Dolores	Merrimack	Moquin, Arcade	Roy, Dolores
10	Stearns, Linda	Goffstown	Grover, Frederick	Ryan, Mary
25	Tkacz, Michaela	Goffstown	Tkacz, Joseph	Jedruzek, Madeline
27	Therrien, Gerald	Goffstown	Therrien, Adelard	Fontaine, Lucienne
28	Tebbetts, Kelly	Goffstown	Tebbetts, Daniel	Molan, Cindy
Nov.				
4	Paradis, Lindsay	Goffstown	Paradis, Donald	Shea, Mary
5	Hartford, June	Goffstown	Unknown	Unknown, Doris
9	Ekdahl, Anita	Merrimack	Riel, Louis	Heroux, Emma
9	Rose, Pasqualina	Goffstown	Lombardo, Liborio	Ciulla, Philippa
21	Moran, Anne-Marie	Goffstown	Mangini, Francis	Fini, Anne
21	Pooler, Bruce	Goffstown	Pooler, Robert	Horr, Lillian
26	Dorval, Liliane	Manchester	Marois, Ephrem	Shaink, Antoinette
26	Dial, Hedwig	Goffstown	Leithauser, Felix	Heinrich, Ida
Dec.				
3	Champagne, Joseph	Goffstown	Champagne, Joseph	Lunderville, Mildred
5	Dial, Edward	Goffstown	Dial, Edward	Kutler, Ethel
8	Fortier, Lillian	Goffstown	Peterson, Godfrey	Rivard, Anna
15	Stainton, John	Bedford	Stainton, John	Unknown, Winnifred
16	Goodman, Michael	Bedford	Goodman, Derek	Steenstrup, Vibeke
17	Maillet, Nancy	Manchester	Unknown	Unknown, Andree

Total Number of Deaths: 110

2016 INTERMENTS**SHIRLEY HILL CEMETERY**

Name	Age	Date of		Section	Lot	Grave
		Death	Burial Date			
Timothy Richard Beard	24	5/22/2016	5/26/2016	3	15	1
Richard Coughlin	77	2/20/2016	5/11/2016	3	15	3
Henry Demers	74	2/10/2016	4/29/2016	2	23B	1
Virginia Hill	77	3/28/2016	4/5/2016	2	30A	2
Anne-Marie Moran	47	11/21/2016	11/25/2016	2	27B	1
Hazel Nadeau	96	3/17/2016	7/21/2016	3	2	2
Lindsay Dawn Paradis	26	11/4/2016	11/9/2016	3	92	1

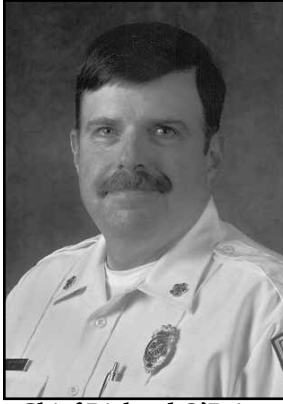
WESTLAWN CEMETERY

Name	Age	Date of		Section	Lot	Grave
		Death	Burial Date			
Roberta Rose Barry	38	5/31/1997	6/16/2016	1987	14	2
Elizabeth Biron	100	5/1/2016	5/7/2016	1946	69	4
James Michael Byers	70	8/7/2016	8/13/2016	1988	27A	1
Bertha F. Carrier		3/11/2016	4/20/2016	1992	175B	
Albert M. Clement	94	9/24/2016	9/28/2016	24		
Carol Ann Day	72	8/27/2016	9/2/2016	1988	22	3
George Hall		1/18/2016	5/27/2016	1946	12	4
Marion Hall	82	4/10/2016	5/27/2016	1946	12	4
Winston A. Hall	91	6/15/2016	6/20/2016	1989	44	2
Carroll George Lillis	70	10/5/2016	10/15/2016	22		
Wilson Mims Jr.	81	8/17/2016	8/23/2016	1988	30	2
Dorcas B. O'Neil		10/17/2016	11/18/2016	1960	128	2
Robert Elnoy Ordway	90	6/15/2016	8/29/2016	1960	111	2
Chad Raab	38	2/7/2015	4/29/2016	1991	22	1
Katerina Anna Simons	26	1/8/2016	5/20/2016	1988	10	6
Sidney F. Slack	56	7/26/2014	10/15/2016	1991	32	1
Janet Straw	79	3/6/2016	5/10/2016	1927	43	6
William Swanson	99	6/29/2016	10/11/2016	1960	15	2
Robert Yianakopolos	79	6/12/2016	6/16/2016	1987	34	1
Eileen Zeindlhofer		8/18/2016	9/24/2016	1989	76B	1

2015 CORRECTED INTERMENTS**HILLSIDE CEMETERY**

Name	Age	Date of		Section	Lot	Grave
		Death	Burial Date			
Barbara Lee Robinson	85	01/11/2015	05/09/15	45	7	2
Gillis L. Upton	65	10/19/2015	10/23/2015	35	1	3

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Chief Richard O'Brien

The Goffstown Fire Department continues to stand ready at all times to serve the Town's residents, business owners and visitors. The Department provides fire protection, emergency medical services, rescue, hazardous material mitigation, disaster response, community services (from providing support to Town events to issuing burn permits), and fire prevention / public education and inspections. We are a Combination-type Fire Department made up of Full-time and paid On-Call Fire / EMS Personnel. In 2016, we employed 16 Full-time members (also 1 Department Executive Secretary) and 45 On-Call and/or Part-time Members. 2016 was our busiest year on record where crews were kept active handling resource-intensive calls like medical emergencies, building fires, brush fires and hazardous materials spill calls. Our community can be proud of the level of professionalism and high-level commitment from their first responders.

PERSONNEL

Fire / EMS in Goffstown is provided by several staffing levels. Each Day 6am – 6 pm, the apparatus are staffed by our full-time personnel (6 per shift). Evenings/Nights (6pm – 6am) are staffed by our part-time (2 members only) personnel. Our On-Call Firefighter / EMTs support the daytime and evening personnel as needed. The Fire Department continues to seek town residents interested in becoming an on-call / part-time firefighter / emergency medical technician to help respond to the increasing number of incidents. The FD also promoted Derek Chouinard to the rank of Lieutenant and hired full-time Firefighter / AEMT Robert Douglas. As in years past, call firefighter/EMTs arrived and departed our organization. Last year, the fire department introduced 4 new call / part-time employees to the roster and saw 8 members on the roster leave the department. Any Town resident interested in becoming a Call firefighter/EMT, please contact our administrative office at 497-3619.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

The Goffstown Fire Department provides emergency medical services and patient transportation to the Town with 3 equipped ambulances! The Fire Department provides levels of patient care ranging from EMT to Paramedic-level care. It is our goal to make sure that our residents and visitors requiring emergency medical care receive the highest level of care possible in the shortest amount of time. The Department prides itself in making sure our ambulances are outfitted with some of the most technologically advanced life-saving equipment available.

OPERATIONS & STAFFING

In 2016, the Fire Department convened an internal ad-hoc committee to study and explore how our fire department compares to national staffing standards and to fire departments of similar size in our area. The group also looked into what is an effective and efficient number of firefighter / EMTs that are needed to respond to the needs of the Town.

The Goffstown Fire Department has worked hard over the years to balance the need to grow the organization to meet the increasing demands for service against the constraints faced by the community. The need for managed growth of the organization is based on a number of factors: overall increased call demands, town-wide specific increased call demands (demographic), fire / EMS specific increases in requirements/regulations, and technological improvements.

The ad-hoc committee concluded in a report that the fire department was not adequately staffed – most notably during the evening and overnight periods. Based upon the National Fire Protection Association Standards, benchmarking of similar communities, and other related studies, it was determined that in order to adequately staff at least one fire response apparatus and one advanced-level ambulance, the on-duty staffing strength should be six (6) Firefighter/EMTs (day and night) for effective fire suppression and emergency medical responses.

The operations and staffing report was presented to the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee where the initial resolution to the staffing issue was determined to budget (in FY 2017) for two additional part-time Firefighter/EMTs to staff the stations during the evening and overnight periods. The cost of the additional part-time employees was added to the EMS budget which is funded through the Town's EMS Special Revenue Fund (with no additional tax impact to the community).

FIRE STATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

In 2016, Town voters approved the bond to renovate and expand the fire station on Church Street. After completing the design and bid award process, the contractor officially began construction after a brief ground breaking ceremony in October. The project will improve the old fire station and add over 6,000 square feet of space to accommodate additional apparatus bays, storage areas, crew facilities, and a training room / emergency operation center. The construction competition date is anticipated in May 2017.



*After the ground breaking ceremony, construction of the fire station quickly commenced.
Note: The fire station stayed operational during construction.*

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention Officer, Lt. Bill Connor, reports that 2016 has been another busy year for our Fire Prevention Division. Last year we received the highest number of permit applications that since the inception of the out Life Safety Permit. One force behind the increase is heating systems. Weather, fluctuating fuel prices, and utility incentives have created a shift in which fuels residents use to heat their homes. The largest shift we have observed has been from oil to propane or natural gas. We normally see a fairly even split between gas and oil installations, but this last year was primarily gas installations. With each replacement furnace, boiler, and fuel supply, we conducted the appropriate inspections to assure both safety and appropriate installation.

Although the materials are available for residents to replace or install heating equipment on their own, we highly recommend the use of trained professional installers and technicians. There have been changes at the state level with regard to venting high efficiency heating systems which impacts both complexity and cost of heating plant change-over and replacement. Again, this is where the use of trained professionals is your best bet. As a reminder, whether the work is done by home owner or by professional, permits are required **before** beginning the work.

Residents continued to add supplemental heating appliances to include pellet stoves, wood stoves, coal stoves, and propane fired “space” heaters. Correct application, safe installation, and proper operation of these appliances are critical to the safety of your home. When selecting a supplemental heating appliance, be aware that many of these appliances have limits regarding where they can be installed and the type of building they can go into. Some appliances, as an example, cannot be used in bedrooms and others cannot be used in manufactured or modular homes. Be aware of these limitations before you make your purchases. Permits are required for all of these appliances. Make sure you or your contractor arranges for the permit and the inspections. There have been installers who have pushed obtaining permits back on to the customer. The contractor is doing the work; they need to apply for a permit. As part of our installation inspections, we review proper care and maintenance of these appliances with home owners while inspecting the appliance to insure safe and proper installation.

We continued to see increases in residential construction and renovation work; primarily the trend to convert existing single family homes into two-family homes via renovation or addition; some folks refer to these additions as “in-law” apartments or accessory dwelling units. These projects are in many instances more challenging than new construction as home owners as builders try to meld the old with the new. If you are considering such a project, please contact the Planning, Building and Fire departments before starting to assure that your project is done in compliance with building, mechanical, fire, and life safety codes as well as Town requirements. These projects are not as simple as the DIY television shows make them out to be!

Fire Prevention is has been very active in our schools. Lt. Connor continues to work closely with our schools to assure safe buildings for our children. Each year we complete state required annual inspections and work out corrective measures where needed to assure the safety of the students and staff. We continue to provide monthly drills at all our schools to assure that students, faculty, and staff are prepared for emergencies.

Residents are reminded:

- All new heating appliances and generator installations must have permits prior to installation & must be inspected by the Fire Department before use.
- Always have appropriate safety equipment on hand: fire extinguisher(s), working smoke

- detectors, and carbon monoxide detection.
- *If your smoke or carbon monoxide detectors are 10 year old or older, it's time to replace them!*

Fire Prevention Activity - 2016		
CATEGORY	# OF EVENTS	NOTES
Addressing & 9-1-1 Compliance	21	Addressing and complaint follow up
Code Reviews	47	
Drills	106	Schools, dorms, nursing homes
Fire Systems Maintenance	22	Key secure and municipal fire alarm network
Firefighting Water Supply	6	Hydrant issues / static water supply access
Hazard Mitigation	6	Hazardous materials and commercial tank mitigation
Inspections	380	Gas, oil, fire sprinkler, hood systems, assembly, foster home licensing, alternative heating systems, generators, etc
Investigations	10	Fire and carbon monoxide incidents
Meetings	57	
Plan Reviews	53	
Public Education	6	Speaking engagements fire extinguisher classes
School Safety Services	43	Annual state inspection, safety committees, presentations
Senior Services	4	Safety education
Site Visits	39	Construction progress, spot checks of projects, and visual confirmation
Station Visits	30	
Technical Review Meetings	10	TRC meetings
Training (received)	28	Fire / EMS / fire prevention
Walk-in Customers	75	Questions without appointments
Youth Services	6	Scouts / youth groups / interventions
Election	11	Life safety standby, event inspection, and related meetings
2016 FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITY	960	

RESPONSE ACTIVITY

2016 was the most active year on record for the Goffstown Fire Department. The Department responded to 2,434 calls for service! Crews responded to a variety of emergencies that included building fires, brush fires, large fuel spills, major medical emergencies, suspected explosive devices, and major vehicle crashes. We also noted several more cooking fires than previous years, along with many brush fires and outside fires – due to the drought conditions.

The FD also continues to respond to numerous heroin and drug overdoses. The fire department has been working collaboratively with local, state, and federal agencies to find best practices of prevention, education, response, and treatment to help reduce the number of people affected by drug abuse and addiction.



(Left) GFD crews treat and load a severe burn victim onto a Med Flight Helicopter for transport to Boston.

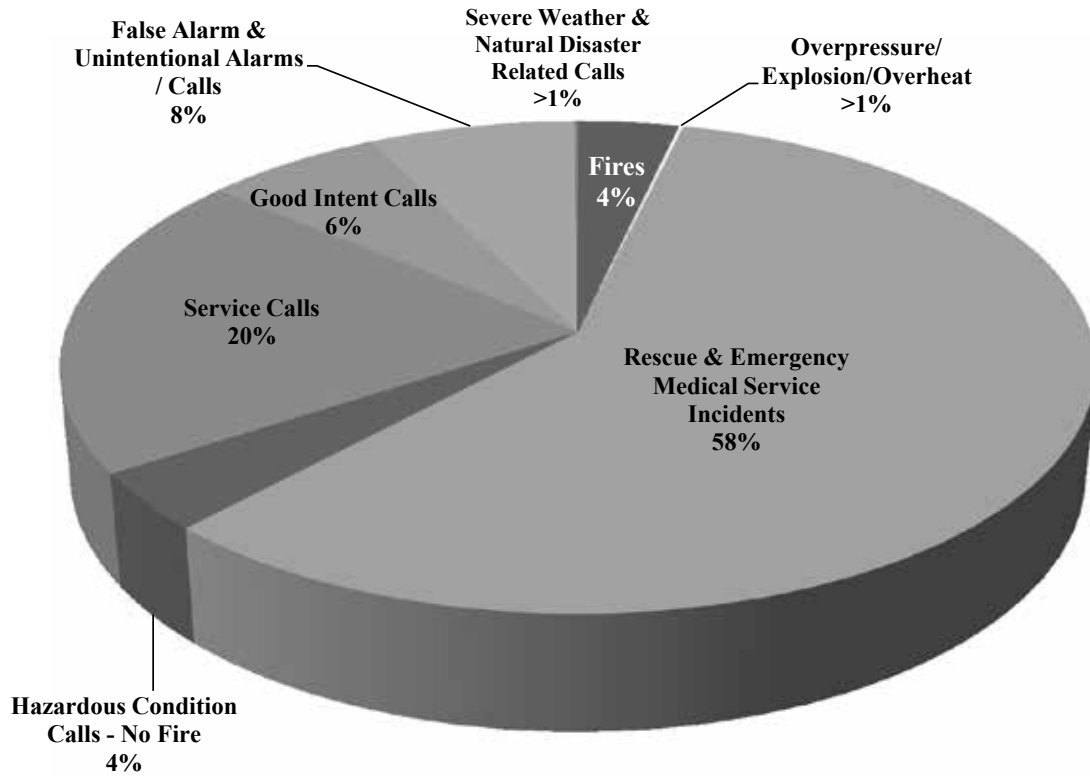


(Left) Crews battle a 3rd alarm house fire on Mast Road in December.

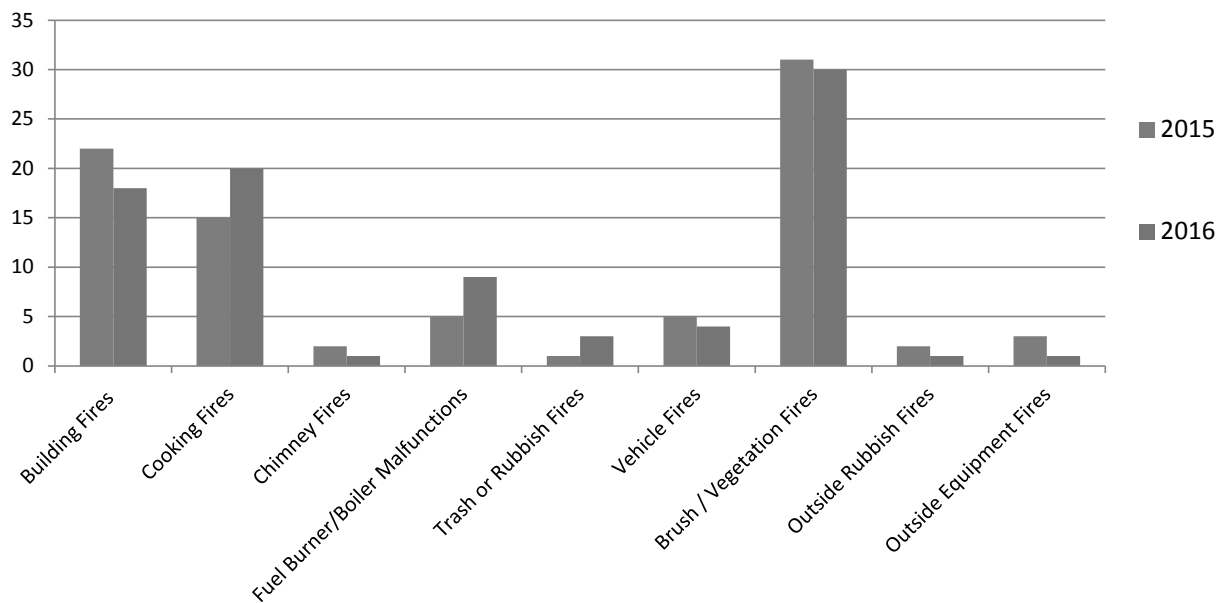
(Below) In February, fire crews from many area communities responded to the massive fire at the former Jutras Building.



2016 Incident Break Down



2016 Fire Incident Break Down



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Although there were no significant weather events or disasters in 2016, Goffstown's Emergency Management was active in a number of roles. The first being planning – Emergency Management, Fire Department and the Police Department have been working with school officials to review and update its school emergency plan. This plan helps prepare emergency responders, school staff, students, and parents in the event of an emergency in any of our schools. Emergency Management also applied for and received a grant to help fund a new generator, communications equipment, and furnishings for the new Emergency Operation Center which will be located at the new / upgraded fire station on Church Street.

Also, a reminder to all residents that the State offers a free emergency alerting system called NH Alerts. NH Alerts delivers free emergency community and missing person notices generated by local and state emergency officials. These alerts can be sent throughout the entire state or to specific geographic areas to notify only those persons who may be immediately affected by a local emergency. Examples of emergency alerts may include lockdown notices, viral outbreaks, chemical spills, evacuations, and active shooter situations. Goffstown residents can sign up for NH Alerts by going to the Town of Goffstown web site: <http://www.goffstown.com>, and select the NH Alerts icon, or by scanning the QR code below:



REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Over the past two years, New Hampshire has experienced its busiest fire seasons since 1989. 1,090 acres burned during the 2016 season. The White Mountain National Forest experienced its largest fire since becoming a National Forest, burning 330 acres in the town of Albany in November. Fires falling under state jurisdiction burned 759 acres, with the largest fire of 199 acres occurring in Stoddard. The extremely dry summer led to a busy fall fire season with large fires occurring into mid-November. Drought conditions hampered fire suppression efforts and extended the time needed to extinguish fires. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked tirelessly throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

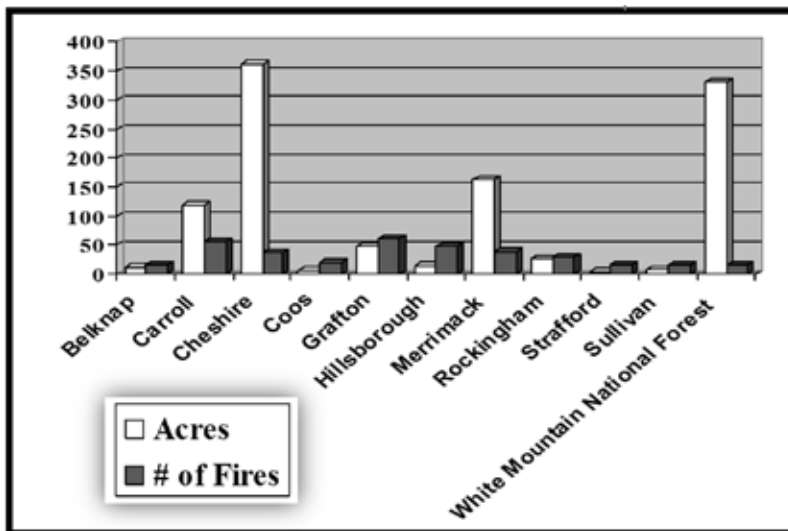
Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2016 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help

Smokey Bear, the Goffstown Fire Department, and the state’s Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2017 fire season, please remember to contact the fire department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online and may be obtained by visiting www.nhfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire’s forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

2016 NEW HAMPSHIRE WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 2016)



HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED								
(These numbers do not include the WMNF)								
Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.*
15	85	35	10	12	2	18	9	148

*Miscellaneous include power lines, fireworks, electric fences etc...

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

I am proud to report that our community is protected by some of the most dedicated, highly-trained and professional first responders in the State. I want to thank the residents of Goffstown, the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee, Goffstown Fire / Rescue Association, Goffstown Professional Firefighters Association, Goffstown CERT, and Town Departments for their continued support of *your* Fire Department. Above all, I commend the dedicated men and women of the Goffstown Fire Department; continuing to serve through valor, excellence, selflessness, and community pride.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard S. O'Brien, MS, CFO
Fire Chief, Emergency Management Director,
Goffstown Forest Fire Warden

PARKS AND RECREATION



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

L-R: Kevin Daigle, Gary Gendron, Chairman Howard Sobolov, Brad Parkhurst, Director Rick Wilhelmi, Liza Dubois, Vice Chair Jane Steckowych, Peter Hooker. Not in picture, Alexandra Hill.

For the past several years the Parks and Recreation Commissioners and staff have maintained their focus to enhance/develop the established priorities and goals set forth in 2010; (Goffstown Sports Complex, Rail Trail, Access to Natural Resources, Upgrading existing parks and facilities, special events, and additional and varied programs). The commissioners make adjustments annually to these six goals to allow the department/community to grow and meet the various recreational/leisure demands of our community. This is all done with a great deal of dedication from our department staff, volunteers, in collaboration with GHS Athletics, community support, and our Department of Public Works (“DPW”) crews. We are extremely fortunate to have a group of very talented men and women designing and working on our future fields.

The commissioners approved the following projects from Parks and Recreation impact fees and revolving fund in 2016: Impact fee dollars allocated for the development of the Barnard Park Sports Complex (Finalize NH All Terrain Permit, Engineering peer reviews, development of the access road, clearing trees, screening and moving 40,000 cubic yards of material to raise the current grade level), Revolving fund dollars allocated for Barnard Park tennis court painting, Roy Park Playground and walk ways, Scoreboard at Mt. View Middle School, and program/ facility registration software.

Facilities Improvements:

- Development of the Goffstown Sports Complex (located adjacent to the town transfer station) keeps moving forward. After a great deal of work by our Town Engineers, the NH All Terrain Permit was finalized in April of 2016 which now allows us to create the two rectangular fields, and access road. The Public Works Director, Town Engineers, Director of Recreation and Commissioners developed a rough time line following the current process

of our own “DPW” crews working / developing the fields in their down times. This leaves a window for each calendar year of January – April and Thanksgiving (late November) to December 31 to have work done. This is all related to Mother Nature - snow/ice conditions, and workload on the department. Phase one will have various projects built into it. In all, we are looking to have 35,000 to 40,000 cubic yards of material (crushed stone, clean fill, moisture retention, and loam) removed, replaced, or screened on site. Large sections of trees/forest have to be removed to make way for the pond and full layout of the fields. Currently we have on-site the following material which all needs to be screened; clean fill, Moisture retention material, and loam. The following time line (rough/guide) was brought fourth; **2017** – January to April and again in November to December: Remove trees, Grub stumps, remove 4,000 cubic yards of material in southwest corner of rectangular field, Begin to screen clean fill pile to bring grade level up 2’ to 5’ on the entire floor (playing fields & parking area). **2018** – DPW has a water line project built into CIP. Develop a pump station, have water ready for September of 2018. Develop the two rectangular fields with the following layers, sand, moisture retention, and loam. Install all irrigation lines and system. Seed and let grow. **2019** – Possibly allow play in the spring of 2019.

- Roy Memorial Park saw huge improvements with the installation of a new multi-age playground with handicap accessible parking in the old tennis court area. New walkways were installed for access to the pool and pavilion. Bathrooms were installed in the pavilion for our summer playground program participants. The large dirt mound in front of the pool was removed to give more visibility for security during evening hours and many over grown trees were removed around the pavilion.
- Barnard Park tennis courts were resurfaced and two Pickle Ball courts were added.
- We build a 14’ x 16’ pole barn at the Recreation Building.
- The Mt. View Middle School gymnasium scoreboard was replaced. Our Parks and Recreation basketball programs for both adults and youth hold 22 games a week at this facility.

Programmatically, we maintained our current programs and added some new activities. The summer playground program saw increased participation numbers at the Roy Park, and the same at Barnard Park. The Barnard Pool swim lessons had an average number of participants again this year. Both Roy and Barnard pools saw a large number of recreational swimmers through most of the summer season. Our boys youth recreational basketball program maintained its strength with 6 teams for the 3rd & 4th grade, 8 teams for the 5th & 6th grade, 6 teams for the 7th & 8th grade. The Girls youth basketball program has maintained the numbers as in years past. Our 1st and 2nd grade Coed Division was maxed out with 8 teams of 10 players per team. Our boy’s high school basketball division increased to six teams. Our Men’s 18 plus league went down to 5 teams.

Our Youth Lacrosse boys divisions (U11, U13, and U15) stayed the same as last year, and again this year we had a strong presence for Girls Youth Lacrosse divisions (U9 & U11 & U13). Our Boys U9 Instructional lacrosse program saw a large increase of 29 players. We added a Girls U15 lacrosse division with strong numbers for future growth. The after school activity period at Bartlett did not have enough interest, however the Maple program was very strong with a wait list, and after school youth soccer remained strong. The 36th Annual Goffstown Gallop saw 125 participants with the first online registration and chip timing system. We continue to try and provide recreational activities for our senior population that included the 42nd annual senior dinner,

cribbage, dominos, rail trail walks, and senior tennis lessons. In late 2016, we developed activities specifically for seniors: Golden Agers Yoga, Bone Builders, and Adult Social. The Adult Social is in collaboration with our Town Library where we host monthly meetings for our older population around various types of social activity. This program is held the first Friday of each month. For the months of June and July they are held at the Library.

We continue to work with private providers of fitness and leisure activities such as Zumba, Tae Kwon Do with Andrew Jefferson, Contoocook River Canoe & Kayak rental. We again collaborated with the Goffstown High School Athletic department/coaching staff by providing co-sponsored athletic clinics.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the many people who make our Town of Goffstown such a great place to live. I would like to thank each and every one of the DPW employees for all their talent, dedication, and willingness to help improve our Parks and Recreation Department. We continue to make great strides with their guidance and efforts and this group of men and women deserve our grateful appreciation. Thank you also to the Parks and Recreation Commission who have spent many hours on a monthly basis thinking of ways to better serve our community through facility and program development. This is a volunteer committee that does an outstanding job for our community. Thank you to Sue Desruisseaux and all Town Hall staff, to my fellow Department Directors, the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee, and CIP Committee for giving me their support, guidance, and camaraderie. I would especially like to thank Sue Desruisseaux for her guidance over my first six years of service to better understand the municipal way of business. Thanks to all the local businesses for the continued support in making our programs so successful. Thanks to School Superintendant Brian Balke, the principals and support staff at each school, Athletic Director Steve Fountain for allowing the use of the school facilities, Goffstown High School coaching staff for collaborating on youth skill clinics and all the Volunteers who help make the Parks and Recreation leagues, special events, and programs so successful. I would also especially like to thank two very important people in our Recreation Department: Mike Guerrette, and Stasia Hurley. Without the two of them our programs would not be as strong and our fields and facilities would not be in the great condition in which they are now. I am very proud to be part of a town that is surrounded by so many individuals, young and older, willing to give of themselves so freely to make our community a happier and healthier place to live. The Parks and Recreation Department survives and thrives in Goffstown!

Respectfully Submitted,
Rick Wilhelmi, Director



Rick Wilhelmi, Director

GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT



Chief Rob Browne

POLICE

While the National trend of citizen approval for law enforcement officials across our country took a drastic turn for the worse in 2016, the Goffstown Police Department has never felt more supported by the community than we have this past year. As each tragic event of police officers being targeted was headlined in the national media, from Palm Springs California to Dallas Texas, the residents of Town of Goffstown turned that into opportunity. Almost daily, letters, emails, and yes even donuts poured into the Police Department from people letting us know we are valued and supported. For that, we say THANK YOU!

There is no greater honor than to be in service of the public, especially to those that make up this great town. I am so proud of the men and woman of the Goffstown Police Department who make so many sacrifices in an effort to make Goffstown a better place to live, to work and enjoy life. While we continue to maintain the valued partnerships with our schools, college and business community, we endeavor to increase our opportunities to serve you fully through community policing in any fashion possible.

A challenge that we continue to face in these nationally uncertain times is the recruitment and selection of qualified candidates; as well as the retention of our best and brightest members. The transition of personnel working and leaving the Police Department remains constant. Our agency saw four members leave the agency with only one of the four retiring. This is an unfortunate trend in our profession across the country. Law Enforcement agencies are continuously struggling to retain qualified personnel while recruiting and selecting only those in whom we have confidence and trust to protect our community. Rest assured that we are doing all we can to address this significant issue.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2016

- In February of 2016, the Republican National Debates were held at Saint Anselm College. Seven of the leading candidates at the time for the Officer of the President of the United States of America were on hand, right here in the Town of Goffstown. There were over 60 uniformed detailed officers from several communities and the State along with multiple teams from the U.S. Secret Service. This event, although hosted by Saint Anselm College, has the safety and security responsibilities associated with such a large scale gathering designated to your Goffstown Police Department. Our men and woman were up to the task as usual.
- 2016 saw major changes in our Communications Division which resulted in additional revenue coming in to the Town. We recruited hard and ultimately offered a competitive bid to provide dispatch services to the Towns of Weare and Dunbarton for their police departments. In February, the Town of New Boston also jumped aboard culminating in the Goffstown Police Department dispatching for three new police agencies. We hope to attract more agencies in the future as well providing further revenue to the Town in an attempt to offset costs.
- In an effort to keep up with technology and industry best management practices, the department outfitted all patrol officers with both tasers and body worn cameras in 2016. Although the tasers required additional training, policy changes and additional hardware

for the officer to carry, it was the body worn cameras that required the most pre-planning and study. Safety, privacy and costs were all competing issues we had to address when trying to implement this important new advanced technology. We believe this provides the greatest transparency to the public for the way we conduct our business while protecting our officers from unsubstantiated claims against them or the agency.

- Our National Night Out Campaign, for the 4th year in a row, was its biggest event ever. The weather cooperated this year along with our media outreach efforts to make this our most attended event yet.
- The Goffstown Police Department conducted a Citizen's Police Academy. This was a 10 week course open to members of the public to learn about what your police department does, is responsible for, the specific training required for a recruit to become certified and provide participants with a better insight to who is working for you.
- For the first time ever, the Goffstown Police Department lit up our "home" here on Mast Road and sponsored the Seniors Holiday Lights tour. We hope to make this an annual event. We hosted more than 40 of our Town's seniors just before Christmas to a wonderful treat with the help of volunteers. They were treated to bus ride to several town residences where Christmas lights were on display; this was followed by a reading of the Polar Express at the Goffstown Public Library and finally to caroling and dancing performed by our High School students Nutcracker performers.

While the State of New Hampshire continues to struggle with the fallout created by the worst ever Opioid addiction crisis, the Town of Goffstown has concentrated efforts on enforcement, treatment and care for those suffering with addiction. GPD partnered with the Bedford Police Department in our Police Partners Program (P3). This was an effort to find immediate help through the efforts of Hope For NH Recovery. The program is set for those people suffering from addiction who found themselves in our care and custody. This program was designed to fit the needs of the individual who committed non-violent crimes who would otherwise not have done so if not for their disease. We fully understand that while law enforcement is a component of the recovery aspect of this epidemic, we cannot arrest our way out of it. That being said, for those individuals making a profit on behalf of selling to those struggling with addiction, they saw in full effect our enforcement initiatives.

We have partnered with the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office Street Crimes Task Force. Members of our Detective Division have worked tirelessly with this important task force to bring to bear fruitful investigations that have led to numerous convictions of people within our community who continue to promote this criminal enterprise. If we can curtail one drug transaction that potentially saves someone's life, it was well worth the time spent.

On behalf of the men and woman of the Goffstown Police Department, I would like to thank the citizens of Goffstown for your continued faith and trust in our efforts to serve our community.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Rob Browne



*Lt. Eric Sereno representing the
Police Department in the Pumpkin Regatta*

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2016 - DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	2014	2015	2016	% INC/DEC VS 2015
CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS				
Abuse/Neglect & Juvenile Offenses (child/elderly, runaways, truancy, etc)	62	56	45	20%
Alcohol	18	27	64	(137%)
Intoxication - Pro Custody Sub	37	28	22	21%
Assaults (includes SSA)	70	133	112	16%
Assault on Police Officer	2	2	2	(0%)
Criminal Threat (includes SSA)	57	52	56	(8%)
Domestic Violence	173	91	115	(26%)
Domestic Violence Petitions	58	35	45	(29%)
Homicide	0	0	0	(0%)
Sex Offenses (includes sex assaults, & sex offender registrations)	88	79	88	(11%)
Drug Offenses (includes SSA)	67	58	88	(52%)
Robbery	3	3	3	(0%)
TOTAL CRIME AGAINST PERSONS	635	564	640	(13%)
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER				
Alarms	560	644	869	(35%)
Animal Complaints	468	415	435	(5%)
Arson	1	1	3	(200%)
Burglary & Criminal Trespass	101	106	65	39%
Courtesy Calls (lockouts, 911 calls, fingerprinting etc)	639	649	616	5%
Crime Prevention	1570	3135	3759	(20%)
Administration	489	473	659	(39%)
Criminal Mischief	111	122	89	27%
Disorderly Conduct	25	13	10	23%
Fraud (includes bad checks, credit card fraud, counterfeiting)	70	132	109	17%
Hazards (includes power outages, trees & wires down etc)	260	180	238	(32%)
Larceny (includes motor vehicle thefts)	351	249	168	33%
Mutual Aid	398	391	357	9%
Operations	6725	9971	10325	(4%)
Property (lost/found)	250	270	198	27%
Suspicious Persons (Activity)	181	330	452	(37%)
Suspicious Vehicles	384	337	240	29%
TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER	12583	17471	18592	(6%)

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2016 - DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	2014	2015	2016	% INC/DEC
MOTOR VEHICLE AND ARREST ACTIVITY				
Total Adult Arrests	494	439	533	(21%)
Total Juvenile Arrests	39	36	34	6%
DWI - Arrests	63	48	51	(6%)
Total Arrests	533	475	618	(30%)
Use of Mobile Electronic Devices While Driving; Prohibition				
Total Summons		71	256	(261%)
Total Written Warnings		65	148	(128%)
Total Summons	2047	2424	2547	(5%)
Total Warning Warnings	4263	4332	4144	4%
Total Verbal Warnings		736	1078	(46%)
Motor Vehicle Activity (includes MV hazards, disabled, abandoned, parking tkts)	1319	1719	1422	17%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	433	473	447	5%
With Injury	79	62	49	21%
Fatalities	1	2	0	100%
Total Motor Vehicle Activity	8170	10411	10091	3%
Drug Overdose Deaths		5	0	100%
Police Partnership Program (P3 Program)			19	
Total Calls for Service	28085	38604	39498	(2%)
COMPLAINTS AGAINST EMPLOYEES/OFFICERS/DEPT				
COMPLAINTS AGAINST EMPLOYEES/OFFICERS/DEPT	17	11	7	36%
Founded	13	4	4	(0%)
Unfounded/Proper Conduct	4	6	3	50%
Insufficient Evidence	0	1	0	100%

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



Adam Jacobs, Director

What a year! As I look out the window, the deep February snowbanks of 2017 belie the mild weather we experienced throughout 2016. The lack of snow provided both extra time and resources to accomplish nearly everything on our “wish list”.

Our community outreach programs expanded again this year. The department participated in the annual Goffstown Library Touch-a-Truck Day, coordinated a Trash on the Lawn Day to emphasize the importance of recycling at Maple Avenue Elementary, and supported the annual NH Construction Career Days in Weare. The DPW facility on Elm Street was featured in both the Lions Club Scarecrow fundraiser and Goffstown Seniors Holiday Lights Tour. We continue to maintain a website for each construction project, but also provide the affected neighborhood with a kickoff meeting, detailed email updates, and post-construction surveys. If you haven’t “liked” us on Facebook yet, please stop reading and do that now. We’ll wait. www.facebook.com/goffstownDPW

2016 was another good year for the DPW budget. The proposed budget reflected some targeted cuts of nearly \$100,000, and was approved at town meeting in March. Careful spending, an easy winter, falling energy costs, and increased recycling revenues all contributed to a fall surplus that was reinvested into the road plan. The proposed budget for 2017 reflects much of these savings, and if approved will result in another healthy reduction in the bottom line.

A special warrant article was also approved in March that provides additional annual road plan funding of \$250,000. This allowed us to add the Worthley Hill Road and Glenridge Avenue projects in 2016, but will also accelerate improvement of our streets and sidewalks in the future. I realize this may not come as a shock to some of you, but some of our streets were last paved over 50 years ago! Our goal under the Capital Improvement Plan is to address around 5% of the road network each year, and ensure it won’t be another 50 years before the next visit.

The LED streetlight conversion wrapped up in the spring. This project was funded from 2015 surplus and thus had only a positive impact on the 2016 tax rate. Converting 475 streetlights to LED is saving the town nearly 60% in annual outdoor lighting electricity consumption, over \$30,000 per year.

The winter of 2015-2016 was milder than most in recent memory, with a total of 21 snow or ice events between January 1st and April 4th. In comparison, there were 70 such events in the same time period of 2015. November and December were also relatively quiet, with 13 more snow and ice events to kick off the 2016-2017 winter season.

The easy winter allowed us to tackle a few extra projects such as the storm water detention pond on Alene Drive, which had been overgrown with trees and brush. Clearing the overgrowth and repairing some structural issues took a few weeks, and the pond can now be added to our list of routine mowing areas. A similar pond had been cleared on Maple Avenue in 2014 for a contracted price of over \$70,000.



The old Roy Park tennis courts were removed in January to make room for the new Parks and Recreation playground.

Another “extra” project that picked up speed in 2016 is the future athletic field complex adjacent to the transfer station. The Parks and Recreation Commission plan will add several diamonds and multi-purpose game fields. The alteration of terrain permit was approved, which allowed the work site to expand

and earthmoving to continue. Before games can be played in a couple years, thousands of yards of sand and gravel need to be cut and filled, trees must be removed, driveway and parking areas constructed, and storm water ponds need to be created.

The topcoat of asphalt was applied to sections of roads that were reclaimed and base paved last year: Black Brook Road, Hooksett Road, and Paige Hill Road. Elm Street and Center Street received a maintenance overlay, a practice which will help keep our main and collector roads from falling back into poor condition. Rosemont Avenue and Snow Road also received a new shim coat of asphalt. For the second year in a row, over 88,000 square yards of paving was completed, the equivalent of around 6.5 miles of road, representing 5% of the total network.

Roads in need of more than just a fresh coat of pavement are evaluated as part of our road plan for reclamation and drainage projects. This comprehensive process involves grinding and kneading the existing asphalt into the gravel base, removal of any older drainage pipes or structures, installing perforated under drain to keep the road bed dry, excavating drainage ditches, and adding a layer of proper gravel prior to paving the road again. In 2016, DPW acted as General Contractor for all road work, which allowed us to stretch the budget further than in previous years. This work would have cost the taxpayers an additional \$1.5 million if fully contracted.

Our first road reclamation and drainage project was at Paige Hill Road between Winter Hill Road and Locust Hill Road, the second phase of a multi-year project. The scope of work was also expanded slightly to add a section of Winter Hill Road. We expect to continue upgrades to Paige Hill Road in 2017 with a maintenance overlay between Locust Hill Road and Stinson Road.

Crews moved back to Black Brook Road next, for the third and final phase of that project between Tirrell Hill Road and East Dunbarton Road. The intersection with East Dunbarton Road was reconfigured for turning movement and sight distance reasons. Subsequently, the Board of Selectmen held public hearings to create an all-way stop, which further improved the safety of the intersection.

Shortly after the beginning of summer vacation, we began work on the heavily-traveled Worthley Hill Road. Phases 2 and 3 of this project spanned from bottom of the hill (near Lamson Avenue) to Merrill Road, including sidewalk replacement and some work on the intersection with Tyler Drive.



The pavement was well beyond its useful life on Worthley Hill Road.

Between reconstruction projects, we rehabilitated the Parker Station Road bridge. This involved stripping the asphalt and gravel, removing the guardrails, replacing failing concrete on the deck and curbs, swapping out drainage, adding a waterproof membrane to the deck, and putting it all back together.

Heading into the fall, most of our attention shifted to Pinardville. College Road was reconstructed, adding much-needed sewer upgrades, drainage, and curbing. Utilities are in the process of being moved to accommodate the new sidewalk to connect St. Anselm Drive and Mast Road. The second and final phase of the Glenridge Avenue project also began, with a significant coordination effort between DPW and the utilities to bring sewer, public water, and natural gas to the neighborhood. We worked right up until the end of the season, and final landscaping will happen in early 2017.

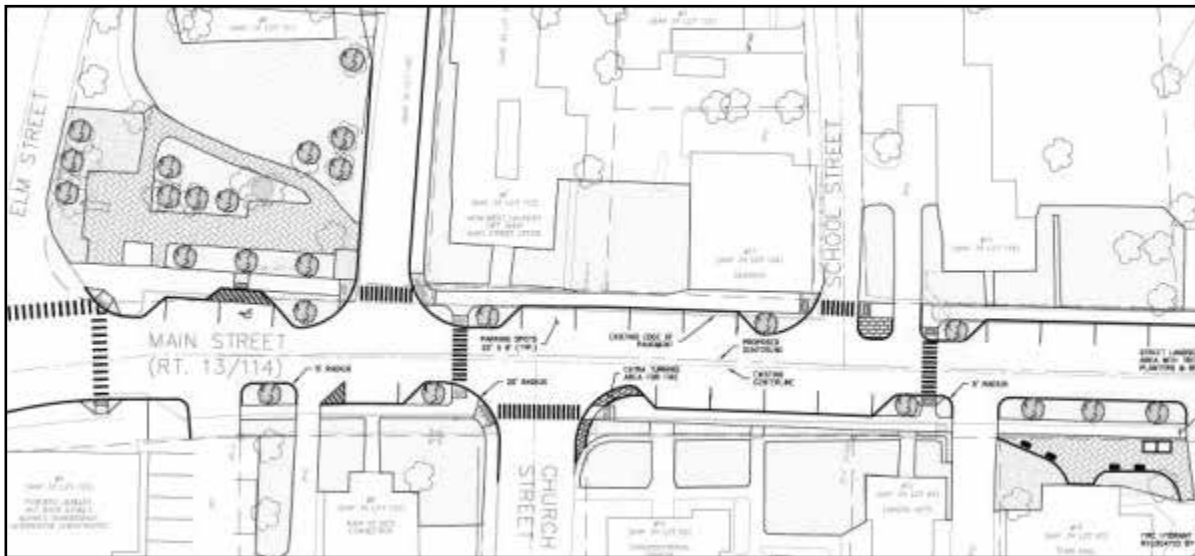
The Solid Waste Division continues to provide some of our most visible public services: weekly curbside collection. Goffstown residents disposed of 5,993 tons of municipal solid waste (trash), and 1,763 tons of single-stream recyclables. An additional 623 tons of metal, cardboard, tires, textiles, and electronics bring our overall waste stream diversion rate to 40%. We secured a long term waste disposal contract with Casella at the North Country Environmental Services location, which locks in favorable rates through at least 2024. Global commodity pricing for recyclables has rebounded, and by the end of the year we were receiving revenue again from our single stream. At current pricing, the town saves over \$65.00 for every ton recycled.

The Cemetery/Grounds Division maintains the 3 town burial grounds and various areas such as the town commons. The expansion of Westlawn Cemetery continued this year, with the wrought iron fencing along North Mast Road. Posts have been set, and the panels are being fabricated for Spring installation. Next year the expansion continues with landscaping and tree plantings. An informational kiosk was also constructed at the Shirley Hill Cemetery, and will hold plot and registry information for visitors.

The Fleet Maintenance Division continued to work behind the scenes to ensure that all the “moving parts” of our department continue to “move”. Over 1,000 work orders for repairs or preventative maintenance were completed, in between fabrication projects to improve safety

and operability of our equipment such as utility trailers. Our mechanics fill a critical role in the budgeting and capital improvement area as well. Without them, we could not extend vehicle replacement cycles or consider purchasing used equipment. They keep us all on the road, and I know the Police and Fire Departments share my gratitude.

All of these accomplishments are in addition to preparations for the next major project in design phase; the reconstruction of Main Street and North Mast Road in 2017. This project incorporates years of planning, including the Town Master Plan, Village Master Plan, and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) study for the intersections at Elm Street/High Street and Pleasant Street. Additional parking improvements are planned to serve Main Street businesses and town facilities.



Portion of Main Street conceptual design.

We are excited for this opportunity to give a much needed facelift to the Goffstown Village! Check out the project website for more information and plans:

www.VillageRebuild.Goffstown.com

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Adam Jacobs, Director of Public Works

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Dianne Hathaway,
Library Director**

OUR MISSION:

The Goffstown Public Library will serve as a primary resource for community information needs. It will provide a comfortable place for citizens to access quality materials and programs, enhance cultural awareness and to explore issues of local, national and global interest.

SNAPSHOT OF LIBRARY SERVICE: 2016

The services we offer the Goffstown community focus on the materials people borrow and the classes, programs and events they attend. In 2016 we were fortunate to receive an increase in both those areas of our budget.

- With the additional materials money we received, we have subscribed to hoopla, a digital media service that allows a cardholder to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on a computer, tablet, or phone – and even to a smart TV. This has allowed us to offer digital content that doesn't take up shelf space.
- With an increase in our program budget we've been able to expand our outreach, or off-site programming to include:
 - Additional summer programs and events at the Bartlett Elementary School
 - Programs in conjunction with our Parks and Recreation Department that include day time, adult programming, as well as partial funding of a StoryWalk® on the Rail Trail. The Friends of the Library donated the additional funding necessary to make this project a reality.
 - The increase in the number of programs and attendance is a direct reflection of the additional money we received in the 2016 budget along with the creativity and passion from our staff.

Public libraries are evolving with society while maintaining the traditional services we have always been known for, and that's true for the GPL. For instance:

- Maker programs: while we don't have the space for a dedicated maker PLACE complete with power tools and other equipment, we do offer programming that fits into this category:
 - Our writing groups for teens and adults
 - Our knitting & crochet group that meets monthly
 - Our craft workshops for all ages, including our teen anime clubs
 - Our regular LEGO building workshops
 - Our robot programming classes for kids
 - Our monthly Cookbook Club
- Our home delivery program: a staff member delivers library materials to folks who can't visit the library themselves. Currently our staff visits 10 clients at their home or at the Hillsborough County Nursing Home.

- The digital and downloadable services for books, magazines, music, movies and TV shows.
- Our desire and ability to partner with other town departments, including Parks and Recreation, other libraries in our GMILCS consortium, Hillstown coop area and other organizations, like the Goffstown Network, Goffstown Historical Society, Crispin's House, the Main Street Program and the Goffstown and Pinardville Lions Clubs.
- Our open request system, part of our membership to GMILCS, allows the public to request materials from other libraries quickly and easy, for delivery to the GPL 3 times a week. This service greatly expands what we can offer our community.

USE OF SERVICES:

- Cardholders = 7,731 members, 8.1% growth or 579 members. On average, 48 new cardholders were added each month.
- Visitors = 55,142 in 2016, an increase of 99
- Network use = 3,273 hours, a decrease of 16.61% or 652 hours
- Items circulated = 104,225 that is a decrease of 1.88% or 2,001 items.
- Research Assistance = 12,370 requests for help, a 2.91% decrease
- Classes, Events and attendance = 510 events and classes (an increase of 23.19%) with a total attendance of 9,531 children, teens and adults (an increase of 21.91 %)
- Digital Downloads = 7,177 audio, magazine, movie, music and e-book items borrowed, a decrease of 1,054 items or 13%
- Our Physical Collection = 36,495 items; we added 3,562 items and removed 4,367
- The Digital Content: many thousands of e-books, magazines, audio, movies, music over multiple platforms; hoopla, OverDrive, Cloud Library, IndieFlix



*Peter Grigorakakis as the
2016 Polar Express conductor*

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Goffstown & Pinardville Lions Clubs: Springfest, Gold Star/Blue Mothers Christmas Tree
- Police Department: National Night Out & Senior Light Tour with two Polar Express readings for about 42 people
- Parks & Recreation: monthly programs aimed toward adults, including health and wellness workshops, gingerbread house decorating, Art Made Easily painting class
- Moore Center: monthly stories, craft projects and programs for adults with developmental disabilities and their caregivers
- Crispin's House: monthly Youth Forum meetings and program support at MVMS and GHS
- Goffstown Network: support for Grow a Row and other food collection projects.

- Main Street Program: support for every community event
- Goffstown Historical Society: Executive Board support
- Bartlett Elementary School: summer STEM workshops

StoryWalk® 2016

We were pleased to partner with our Parks & Recreation Department to bring a StoryWalk® to the rail trail from July 1 to the end of September. The book selected, *Bug Safari* by Bob Barner, is a colorful bug-rich book for kids of all ages. StoryWalk® is an innovative and delightful way for families to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time and was funded in part by a donation from the Friends of the Goffstown Public Library. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

CLASSES, PROGRAMS, EVENTS AND OUTREACH

The GPL staff is always planning educational and recreational programs and classes as well as implementing them all year long, in addition to our vibrant, annual summer reading program.

- New this year:
 - Hour of Coding event
 - National Tell a Fairy Tale Day
 - Brushbot creations
 - National Ninja Day
 - Performances by singer Judy Pancoast, comedian and juggler Bryson Lang, and basketball trickster Ilze Luneau
 - Read Down Your Fines for teens
 - After-Hours Gaming for teens
 - Preston Heller, mentalist
 - Manchester Music School program on music therapy
 - Fitness on the common including yoga, pilates, surfset, hip hop, zumba
- Community:
 - School visits to talk about Summer Reading Program
 - Boy and Girl Scout troop visits to library
 - Easter Bunny breakfast
 - Story time at the Library for local day care centers
 - Museum Pass Program, funded by the Friends of the Library
 - Toys for Tots Christmas collection
 - Liberty House backpack, food and clothing drive
- Still going strong:
 - Story times for ages 1 1/2 - kindergarten (weekdays and Saturday)
 - Family Gingerbread House decorating thanks to the Friends of the Library
 - Polar Express-Friday Night Under the Lights
 - New Year's Noon celebration
 - Summer Reading Program - 252 teens/children signed up in 2016
 - Annual Summer Skywatch with the NH Astronomical Society

- Reading Therapy dog
- Open Mic Night with Apotheca Flower and Tea Chest
- Cookbook Club
- Two adult, monthly book discussion groups
- The Blank Page Writers Group
- Family Game Night
- Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

SHAKESPEARE & THE NEA BIG READ

In April, we hosted programs, special events and worked with other partners to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of William Shakespeare. The hub of this project was the exhibit at the Currier Museum of Art of one of the First Folios and the celebration included lectures, music, theatre and more. Libraries in the GMILCS consortium signed on for special book discussions,



*Shakespeare Selfie with Sandy Whipple,
Adult Services & Outreach Coordinator.*

concerts, family events, and more to make Shakespeare accessible to our communities. In Goffstown we hosted community discussions of the book, *Shakespeare Saved my Life: Ten Years in Solitary with the Bard* by Laura Bates. Our Open Mic nights featured a Shakespearean insult throw down that was enjoyed by teens and adults alike.

In October, we partnered with the Fireseed Alliance and libraries in our Hillstown Coop area for The Big Read: *The Grapes of Wrath*. This classic by John Steinbeck allowed us to hold two book discussion groups, an Open

Mic Night highlighting the music of that era, and a Cookbook Club to learn about depression-era recipes. We also worked with the Goffstown Historical Society to advertise their displays of farming and agricultural items in their museum. NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest. Additional funding for this project was received from the NH Humanities Council.

BEQUEST FROM ELEANOR PORRITT REVOCABLE TRUST

In June, the Library Board of Trustees received notification and receipt of a bequest from the estate of Eleanor Porritt, who died in 2013. The amount received was \$88,569.24 and was accepted in a public hearing on June 15, 2016 as required by NH RSA 202-A:4-c. Eleanor was active in the Goffstown Main Street Program, as curator of the Goffstown Historical Society, and was a great resource for local history and genealogy questions received at the Library. We are appreciative of this generous gift and the Library Board of Trustees will use care in deciding how best to make use of it.

OUR HISTORIC BUILDING

The Goffstown Public Library building is 107 years old and has been on the National Register of Historic Buildings since 1995. It is important to the Library Board of Trustees that we maintain our beautiful building and maintain its historical integrity while continuing to make it a usable, attractive and valuable community hub. This year, we updated and refurbished the public bathroom, including paint, a new floor, new ceiling tiles and a new countertop. In addition, an exterior exhaust fan was installed for improved ventilation in a small, busy space.

THE COLLINS CLOCK

This year our historic Collins clock received some much-needed attention and repair, thanks to Phil D'Avanza at D'Avanza Clock Repair. The clock was missing some parts, including the weight, and now runs accurately (especially when I remember to wind it weekly). It is a beautiful example of an early, handmade clock by Goffstown resident James Collins and is estimated to have been made in the mid-1800's. Take a look at this gem on our second floor, in the south room.

The GPL is successful because of our dedicated, passionate staff; diligent members of the Library Board of Trustees, and our strong partnership with the Friends of the Library. We work daily for the betterment of our community and are honored to do so; thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dianne G. Hathaway, MSLIS
Library Director

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES



*Seated, L to R: Janet Soderquist, Lisa Iodice, Aimee Huntemann
Standing, L to R: Carl Foley, Kurt Huxel, Kathy Holt, Mike Lawler,
Steve Boucher, Kathy Coughlin Not present: Suzanne Riel*

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

FINANCIAL REPORT*

JANUARY 1, 2016 – DECEMBER 31, 2016

*This report does not include Library Expenses paid through the Town's General Fund Operating Budget.

Revenues

Fines	\$4,715.44
Interest	\$259.99
Fundraising/Grants	\$774.50
Other Revenue:	
Gifts/Donations	\$89,217.99
**Miscellaneous	\$3,844.41

Total Revenues	\$98,812.33
Net	\$95,358.74

Expenses

Programs & Materials	\$866.00
Books & Publications	\$1,176.44
Misc. Expenses	\$1,411.15

Total Expenses	\$3,453.59
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**Miscellaneous: Fees collected for Library cards and lost books.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

<u>Account</u>		<u>Balance</u>
80 -	Library Trustee Fund	
 <u>Assets</u>		
10120	Cash-Checking	\$ 2,502.71
10180	Cash-TD Bank	305,669.67
	Total Assets	<u>\$ 308,172.38</u>
		<u><u>\$ 308,172.38</u></u>
 <u>Liabilities</u>		
20100	Accounts Payable	\$ -
 <u>Equity</u>		
28160	Fund Balance-Undesignated	308,172.38
	Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$ 308,172.38</u>
		<u><u>\$ 308,172.38</u></u>

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP) COMMITTEE



*Seated L-R: Earl S. Carrel, Vice Chairman, Community Rep.;
Tim Redmond, Chairman, Planning Board Rep.; Gail Labrecque, Community Rep.
Standing L-R: Michael Smith, Budget Committee Rep.; Raymond Labore, Community Rep.;
Peter Georgantas, Selectmen Rep.; Christie Curtis, School Board Rep.;
Members not present in photo: Barbara Griffin, Planning Board Rep. Alt.;
Ben Hampton, Community Rep.*

The Capital Improvement Program is authorized by the State of New Hampshire RSA Section 674:5; and is guided by Sections 674:6, 674:7 and 674:8. The Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Committee, formed in 1982, is an advisory one directed by Capital Improvements Program Committee Handbook that was most recently revised and adopted on January 22, 2009. The C.I.P. Committee meets to consider capital improvement requests from department heads, town utility commissions and the school board. All requests are evaluated to ensure that both Master Plan priorities are met and that the health, safety and welfare needs of the Town are considered and addressed.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees continue to spend considerable time overseeing the town's three cemeteries (Hillside, Shirley Hill and Westlawn) as well as working with the DPW planning the completion of the Westlawn Expansion. The front section of fence and entrance gates have been installed. The new fence will be as similar as possible to the fence on the opposite side of the road. The granite post have been set, the remaining fence will soon be completed. The Trustees balanced esthetic and cost while keeping in mind the lasting effect of the fence and cost effectiveness. Fees from lot sales go to the town, families themselves pay for labor charges for monument foundations made and put in by cemetery personnel, and also for opening of the graves for burials. This revenue along with Perpetual Care Trust Fund money was returned to the town as well and does not go into the cemetery budget.

Once again all rules and regulations were gone over by the Cemetery Trustees and adjusted and for adapted as necessary. The Cemetery Supervisor will install new signs as soon as possible this spring at a minimal charge from the Hillsborough County Department of Correction. The Cemetery Foreman has update the information book that is posted in the box at Westlawn for visitors and families who come to search for loved ones buried there. With this completed, it is

hoped that an information book can be updated and kept at Shirley Hill, also.

Again, the Cemetery Trustees would like to express a special thanks to the Goffstown Garden Club, a local volunteer organization, for making the beautiful Memorial Day arrangements for all those in the three cemeteries who had funds in the Trust for such purposes. Their donation of time was greatly appreciated.

Families of loved ones are urged to familiarize themselves with the latest updated versions of the cemetery rules and regulations available at the town hall and on the town website. Flags will be provided in time for Memorial Day for those eligible and must be removed after Flag Day or put into a non-breakable container. Rules are adhered to and if anyone would like to discuss them, the Trustees are available by telephone or email and those numbers are listed on the town website.

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees thank the public for continued cooperation in understanding that we work for the benefit of all buried within the cemetery and our goal is to have consistency in rules and dignity for all who pay respects to their loved ones. A special thanks also to the DPW for their continued support in helping us throughout the year.

Respectfully,
Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Evelyn Miller, Vice-Chair; Jean Walker, Chair; Karen McRae, Treasurer.
Standing L-R: David Nieman; John Allen Brown, Selectmen's Rep.; Charles Freiburger
Members not present in photo: Amy Pollock; Susan Tucker; Barbara Schult, alternate;
Collis Adams, Selectmen's Rep.*

In 2016 the Conservation Commission continued its mission to protect and preserve Goffstown's natural resources, including open space areas, surface waters and wetlands. The Commission continues to conduct site walks for proposed developments for the Planning Board and to comment on the suitability of the proposed plans for the land with the respect to all natural resources, with surface waters and wetlands impacts and potential erosion issues as our main focus.

The Conservation Commission and its Open Space Subcommittee continue work on conserving and protecting important and undeveloped lands. These projects address several goals of the Town's Master Plan and the Goffstown Open Space conservation plan. The Open Space committee introduces conservation options to interested landowners, write grant proposals to obtain funds for conservation projects and work closely with local land trust. These land trust include The Society For The Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) and The Piscataquog Land Conservancy (PLC).

The Commission is looking to increase recreational trail and vista on the Uncanoonuc Mountains. Work continues on some of the trails and vistas of the South Mountain, with views to the White Mountains for all to enjoy.

The Town of Goffstown and The Piscataquog Land Conservancy completed the protection of 101 acres of undeveloped land that includes extensive wetlands, beaver ponds and prime wildlife habitat. This Preserve, will be managed by the PLC subject to a conservation easement held by the town.

The Goffstown Conservation Commission is very excited that this 101-acre parcel will now be preserved forever and open to the public for recreation, including hunting and fishing. It took about eighteen months from start to finish, but thanks to the efforts by PLC, public and private funds, Board of Selectman and the Town of Goffstown, the land has been protected for the future generations.

The Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee are here to assist you. If you have any concerns or interest in land protection or preservation, please contact the Goffstown Town Hall and they will direct you to one of our volunteers or contact any member of the Commission.

Milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant has entered both Glen Lake and Namaske Lake with vengeance. Goffstown community associations have been formed to establish programs to control the spread of the milfoil. The Conservation Commission is in support of these efforts. The program includes community education, herbicide treatments, and constant prevention monitoring of the lakes to eliminate new introduction of the milfoil plant.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Walker, Chairman

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



*Seated L-R: Andrew Cadorette, Vice Chair; Charlie Tentas, Chair; and Mark Lemay, Selectmen's Rep.
 Standing L-R: Chet Bowen, Planning Board Rep.; Steve Langley;
 Derek Horne, Town Administrator's Rep..
 Members not present in photo: Cheryl Anderson; Jo Ann Duffy; Catherine Whooten.*

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION & HERITAGE COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Phil D'Avanza, Vice Chair; Ruth Gage, Chair; Mary Sullivan, Recording Secretary.
 Standing L-R: Lionel Coulon Corresponding Sec.; Mark Lemay, Selectmen Rep.;
 Members not present in the photo: Rodney Stark, alternate; Elizabeth Dubrulle, alternate.*

PLANNING BOARD



*Seated L-R: Phil D'Avanza, Vice Chairman; Barbara Griffin, Chairman;
Gail Labrecque, Recording Sec.
Standing L-R: James Raymond; Kimberly Peace; David Pierce, Selectmen's Rep..
Members not present in photo: Tim Redmond Michael Conlon; Chet Bowen, alternate.*

The Planning Board saw an increase in applications over the previous year; fewer applications than the average 7-10 years ago which fact is attributed to the national and regional economic downturn. This has been the trend for the past five years so it has become the new normal level of activity. There are still many approved subdivisions and site plans for residential and non-residential developments that have yet to be built. Additionally, there is an existing inventory of buildable house lots yet to be developed. The Planning board has seen applications for new buildings and projects, several small subdivisions, and time extension requests of previously approved projects.

There have been a number of planning applications reviewed this year, although they have mostly been for small projects such as lot line adjustments or small subdivisions. Goffstown welcomed two new separate businesses to town. O'Reilly's Auto Parts and Storage facilities off of Tower Lane have located their businesses to Goffstown. "Stor-U-Self", formerly Mast Road Self Storage is expanding their business as well, along with St. Anselm College, Cushing Student Center expansion and renovation. Planning worked on several other projects this year. These include but not limited to the Hannaford renovation and Church Street Fire Station expansion and renovation project.

Along with a few other business expansions, the Planning Board this year also reviewed and approved a few small subdivisions and lot line adjustments, as well as a few time extension requests for some already approved projects. Most applicants cited the poor economy and inability to obtain financing as the reasons for more time the time needed to begin their projects. All time extension requests were granted.

Every year, the Planning Board oversees the organization and approval of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) and the recommendation of the proposed CIP matrix to the Selectmen and the Budget Committee for inclusion in the Town's budget. This occurred again, with the Committee meeting over the summer months so that recommendations were available to be considered in the fall budget process.

The Planning Board is looking forward to beginning a new project to update the Goffstown Master Plan. In consideration of applications both before the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the members agree that sections of the Master Plan need to be updated. The Board reevaluated its needs and put forth a reduced proposal through the CIP process, it was approved as part of the budget in 2016 and that the Town will be able to begin this important undertaking soon.

The Planning Board wishes to thank the citizens and town staff that put forth effort to participate in the Planning Board meetings and in the planning process. Each member of this Planning Board has unique experience and abilities that they willingly share during consideration of every project that comes before the Board.

Planning Department staff is available for assistance and to answer questions relative to land use and development. Our public meetings are regularly scheduled for the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. We welcome your attendance and participation. Your Planning Board continues to work toward the needs of our community for today and the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Griffin, Chair

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

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

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

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

- 1) Hosted Legislative Open House on February 10, 2011 for Goffstown and other legislators.

- 2) Prepared a source water protection plan (SWPP) for the Town and recommended groundwater/drinking water protection regulations;
- 3) Updated the town's transportation and school impact fees;
- 4) Provided GIS-based maps and planning support services when requested by the town;
- 5) Conducted a Broadband Survey of the Community Anchor Institutions within the Town as part of the New Hampshire Broadband Mapping Program to help identify un-served and under-served areas within the town;
- 6) Completed for the first time an Economic Development Plan for the region which included the development of an economic assets profile, SWOT analysis and target industry analysis for the Town of Goffstown;
- 7) Prepared and submitted federal grants to conduct sustainability planning in the community, enhance the Route 114 corridor for economic development; and prepare a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for all Hillsborough County communities in the region;
- 8) Prepared and submitted a proposal to prepare an Economic Development Plan for the Town of Goffstown;
- 9) Coordinated with the Conservation Commission to develop a short range conservation plan and seek adoption of the Piscataquog River Management Plan Update and Piscataquog River Watershed Land Conservation Plan;
- 10) Continued work with NH DOT and the Town on developing a website, planning events and coordinating/facilitating council meetings for the General John Stark Scenic and Cultural Byway;
- 11) Conducted traffic counts at twenty-seven (27) locations in the Town of Goffstown, including three additional counts in the vicinity of the Mast and Wallace Roads roundabout. The data was forwarded to the Planning and Zoning Coordinator;
- 12) Represented the interests of the Town on the Region 8 Regional Coordination Council for the Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services Project;
- 13) Continued to provide brownfields program assistance to fund environmental assessment studies and to facilitate the cleanup and redevelopment of several contaminated sites in the Town of Goffstown, including facilitating several Brownfields Advisory Committee meetings which were attended by town officials;
- 14) Hosted four joint Planners' Roundtable and Natural Resources Advisory Committee meetings throughout the year for Planning Board and Conservation Commission members focusing on a variety of topics including: sustainability of Farmers Markets, regional farmers market coordination, Manchester Greenway Project, the Piscataquog Watershed Land Conservation Plan, white nose bat syndrome, PLAN NH sustainability planning, and the proposed Woodmont Commons development of regional impact;
- 15) Facilitated and started work on developing an energy chapter for the town's master plan, including bringing a consultant in to conduct an energy audit of municipal buildings through the Energy Technical Assistance Program (ETAP);
- 16) Completed the 2010 Regional Comprehensive Master Plan Update, including a public input survey and public outreach to the Goffstown community;

- 17) Provided continued assistance and guidance regarding the NH Workforce Housing Law;
- 18) Continued work with Emergency Management Directors among all the municipalities in the region to develop a region-wide Community Preparedness Program;
- 19) Compiled building permit and certificate of occupancy permit records to record dwelling unit totals in all communities and prepared summary report.
- 20) Provided assistance to the Town with the Federal Safe Routes to School program.
- 21) Facilitated the Regional Trails Coordinating Council meetings which were attended by representatives of Friends of the Goffstown Rail Trail.
- 22) Completed a review of a Development of Regional Impact for the Town.

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission

Barbara J. Griffin –Chair
Henry C. Boyle
Jo Ann Duffy
Anthony Marts, Alt.
Carl Foley, Alt.

Executive Committee Member: Barbara J. Griffin – Chair



SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST



L-R: Al Desruisseaux; Denise Lemay, Chair; Victoria Lemire.

The Supervisor of Checklist had a very busy year with four elections. Going into the Presidential Primary in February, we had 11,412 registered voters in Goffstown. We added 1,240 new voters on Primary Day. The next election in March was for the town of Goffstown, where we registered approximately 100 new voters. That was followed by the September New Hampshire Primary where we registered 49 and in the November General Election we registered another 1,195.

During the year in between the elections, we registered 1,006 new voters and removed 1,549 that either moved out of jurisdiction or passed away. In addition, we continue to work on updating individual voter records that were incomplete. We have a list of voters that we need more information on and you may be asked at elections to see the Supervisor of Checklist, where we can gather that information for our records. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated. So as of December 2016, Goffstown has 12,817 registered voters.

Registered voters in the past could choose to be a Democrat, Republican or Undeclared. The State of New Hampshire has added another party called Libertarian and we anticipate voters from the current three choices to make a change.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Lemay, Chair, Supervisor of the Checklist
Al Desruisseaux, Supervisor of the Checklist
Victoria Lemire, Supervisor of the Checklist

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT



*Seated L-R: Jo Ann Duffy; Emily Sandblade;
Gail Labrecque, Vice Chair and Clerk.
Standing L-R: Leonard Stuart, alternate; Alan Yeaton, Chairman.
Members not present in photo: Catherine Whooten; Jeffrey A. Coventry, alternate*

The New Hampshire legislation provides that planning, zoning, and related regulation have been and should be the responsibility of municipal governments as stated in RSA 674.18, “The local legislative body may adopt a zoning ordinance under RSA 674:16 only after the planning board has adopted the mandatory sections of the master plan as described in RSA 674:2, I and II.” The purposes of the zoning ordinance (RSA 674:17) are: (a) To lessen congestions in streets; (b) To secure safety from fires, panic and other dangers; (c) To promote health and general welfare; (d) To provide adequate light and air; (e) To prevent the overcrowding of land; (f) To avoid undue concentration of population; (g) To facilitate the adequate provisions of transportation, solid waste facilities, water, sewerage, schools, parks, child day care; (h) To assure proper use of natural resources and other public requirements; (i) To encourage the preservation of agricultural lands and buildings; and (j) To encourage the installation and use of solar, wind or other renewable energy systems and protect access to energy sources by the regulation of orientation of streets, lots, and buildings.

On March 14, 1961 the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance was adopted and the members to the Goffstown ZBA were appointed in accordance with NH RSA 673:3 to hear requests for variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers of dimensional requirements, and appeals from decisions made by the Code Enforcement Officer, the Planning Board, and the Historic District Commission as they relate to application of Zoning Ordinance. On March 8, 2005 Goffstown voted to change from an appointed ZBA membership to and elected ZBA membership beginning in 2006, with members serving an elected three-year term.

In 2016 the Goffstown ZBA heard 23 Variance applications, 4 Special Exceptions and considered 1 request for rehearing and 1 hearing for an appeal from an administrative decision. The majority of variances and special exceptions requested in 2016 dealt with issues of setback requirements, lot size/frontage requirements, duplex and accessory dwelling units, signage, etc.

During the past year, The Board appointed Alan Yeaton as Chairman and Gail Labrecque as Vice Chair.

The ZBA meets regularly on the 1st Tuesday of each month. The Board welcomes any participation from those persons affected by proposed applications and also welcomes any additional help that citizens of Goffstown could provide in becoming new alternates and serving on the Board.

SEWER COMMISSION REPORT

2016 was another active year: 1,720 linear feet of 8" sewer pipe was part of the 2016 Sewer Replacement Project in the Pinardville area. Sewer mains were replaced on Glenridge Avenue, College Road, Laurel Street, Pinehill Avenue and Warren Avenue. The Goffstown Sewer Commission (GSC) thanks abutting property owners and the public for their amazing patience during the rehabilitation of this important utility.



2016 Sewer Replacement Project, Warren Ave

The Goffstown Department of Public Works (DPW) Sewer Maintenance and Engineering Divisions conducted and will conduct operations including:

- Completing about 4,369 linear feet of sewer main via CCTV inspection in spring 2017 in Pinardville
- Cleaning 32,335 linear feet of sewer main.
- Responding to 6 sewer blockages.

Pinardville sewer collection system rehabilitation will continue the summer of 2017: sewer main extensions and replacement, pipelining, and sewer manholes in accordance with the Town road plan.

The NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved the 2015 wastewater collection system operation and maintenance plan. This report is updated annually for efficient collection system management; the collection system contains approximately 27.85 miles of gravity sewer pipes, 6-inch to 30-inch diameter, and four pumping stations Town-owned and operated. See the following table:

Pipe Size (in)	Year Installed							TOTAL
	1930-1960	1960-1995	1996-2004	2005	2008-2010	2012-2016	2017	
Gravity Mains								
6	3,825	228				-549		3,504
8	72,171	11,958	5,645	3,714	496	1,301		95,285
10	7,803	800		53				8,656
12	4,687	1,122		197				6,006
15	1,170	802	300		1,130	907		3,402
18		1,182	994					2,176
24		16,275						16,275
27		4,168						4,168
30		6,683						6,683
Subtotal	89,656	43,218	6,939	3,964	1,626	1,658		147,061
Force Mains								
3-INCH F.M.				1,700				1,700
4-INCH F.M.								0
6-INCH F.M.	570	2,685						3,255
10-INCH F.M.		802						802
Subtotal	570	3,487	0	1,700	0	0		5,757
Manholes								
SMH	570	163	35	34	9	10		821

Goffstown Collection System Age and Size Distribution

The Sewer Commission maintains good public relations with its customers for the operation and maintenance of our collection system and future projects. Notices of scheduled and current construction projects are mailed to abutters and appear on the DPW web site at:

<http://www.goffstown.com/construction-projects.html>.

It is important to educate the public on the impact inflow and infiltration have on the collection system; sump pumps, basement drains, and roof drains send clean water to the City of Manchester and needlessly increase the cost of sewer treatment. Explore the Sewer Use Ordinance and Public Awareness Program at <http://www.goffstown.com/sewer-maintenance.html>.

The Commission completed the Sewer Use Ordinance revision which will be submitted for review and approval by NHDES and the City of Manchester Environmental Protection Division. Once approved, it will be implemented in 2017.

The 44-year-old Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant (MWWTP) treats Goffstown's municipal wastewater stream and requires ongoing capital improvements for primary clarifiers, new boilers, incinerators, SSI compliance construction and solid train upgrades. These upgrades are costly, with an annual expenditure of about \$874,064.00. The Town of Goffstown is a co-permittee with the Towns of Londonderry and Bedford and the upgrades ensure the system functions smoothly and treatment of Goffstown's wastewater stream is maintained. The Commission consistently strives to maintain the highest service possible despite an aging system and thanks all Sewer Users for your cooperation and support now and in the future.

Monthly meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Individuals requesting a place on the agenda should contact the Sewer Commission office at 603-497-8990, ext 116. Visit the Sewer Commission web site at <http://www.goffstown.com/sewer-office.html>

The Commission said farewell to Ellen Noyes, our Administrative Assistant since September 2008. As she moves into retirement, we will miss her professional expertise and friendship and wish her success. The Commissioners also thank Mike Yergeau, Mike Walton and Meghan Theriault of the DPW and its crews for the high level of assistance and proficiency they provide daily.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen R. Crean, Chairman
Tim Redmond, Commissioner
Robert Trzepacz, Commissioner

SEWER COMMISSION 2016 BUDGET

	REVENUE		
	2016 BUDGET	2016 ACTUALS UNAUDITED	2017 BUDGET
SEWER ADMINISTRATION			
Tax Interest & Penalties	10,000	15,225	10,000
Interest on Investments	2,700	4,100	2,700
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,500	221	1,500
Budget. Use of Ret. Earnings	128,079	-	128,079
Water Pollution Grant	9,983	9,551	9,983
Subtotal \$	152,262 \$	29,097 \$	152,262
 SEWER OPERATIONS			
Sewer Use Charges	1,424,000	1,795,278	1,441,518
Accessibility Revenue	30,000	30,000	30,000
Subtotal \$	1,454,000 \$	1,441,635 \$	1,471,518
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND TOTAL	\$ 1,606,262 \$	\$ 1,462,436 \$	\$ 1,623,780

EXPENDITURES

SEWER ADMINISTRATION	2016 BUDGET	2016 ACTUALS UNAUDITED	2017 BUDGET
Wages & Benefits	51,335	54,099	51,544
Employee Development	100	0	0
Auditing Services	6,000	6,000	6,000
Legal Services	5,000	1,214	5,000
Banking Services	2,000	1,341	2,000
Office Supplies	2,500	1,221	2,500
Postage	8,000	5,973	8,000
Computers & Comm.	15,000	8,695	10,000
Telecommunications	600	0	600
Debt Service Principal	184,343	184,342	111,202
Debt Service Interest	17,295	17,294	11,836
Property Insurance	3,300	1,307	5,137
Subtotal \$	343,035 \$	330,026	263,321
SEWER OPERATIONS			
Wages & Benefits	78,676	94,547	93,009
Clothing & Uniforms	500	666	800
Consulting Services	10,000	10,258	35,000
Diesel Fuel	0	1,254	3,000
Fleet Maintenance	0	1,183	0
Equipment-Maintenance	4,000	10	4,000
Facility Repairs	300,000	355,342	600,000
Vaccon Expense	17,000	1,174	0
Manchester O&M Charges	700,000	706,566	550,000
Subtotal \$	1,110,176 \$	1,171,002 \$	1,285,809
SEWER PUMP STATION			
Contracted Services	10,000	11,680	12,000
Operating Supplies	7,900	1,552	6,500
Electricity	21,000	16,097	21,000
Propane	3,000	2,070	3,000
Water	900	550	900
Telecommunications	2,000	2,021	2,000
Hazardous Materials	1,000	0	0
Wet Well Maint.	1	0	0
Solid Waste Disposal	0	0	1,000
Chemical Expenses	750	0	750
Diesel Fuel	6,500	0	2,500
Equipment Repairs	100,000	8,500	25,000
Subtotal \$	153,051 \$	42,469 \$	74,650
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND TOTAL \$	1,606,262 \$	1,543,497 \$	1,623,780

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

A Board of five Water Commissioners handle all matters that relate to provision of water to over 1,000 homes, several commercial subscribers, fire hydrants, and for many special needs. Scheduled meetings are set for the second Tuesday of every month. The office is open every day m/f until 12:30 at 183 N. Mast Street for an opportunity to discuss a situation, or a call to 497-3621 will reach our Staff.

Richard Coughlin served as a Water Commissioner for many years. He provided wisdom and hands-on assistance from many years of plumbing experience. Dick reviewed situations many times at meetings or on site and had the needed answers. Stephen Crean was selected to fill the vacancy on the Board and his experience will serve well. He was sworn in on May 10, 2016.

For several years, the Board has set aside a considerable amount of the income funds to repair or replace portions of some water mains to improve service. It became necessary to increase the rates to do work on some mains that are over 100 years old. Several housing projects are in the planning stages and they will have water service. The Precinct has two Wells, two Reservoirs a half million gallon “Emergency Tank” on High Street, and some local service Pumping Stations. A Hydrant Flushing program is done twice a year, and water samples from several homes are sent to the State for test and review. The Upper Reservoir on Mountain Road is out of service for review and possible work on the Dam. This will be resolved soon. The N.H. Department of Environmental Services and our engineers have carried out substantial reviews of the Upper Dam as part of a Statewide Program and at our request.

All of our monthly meetings are open to the public for discussion and review. The Annual Meeting is held in March each year. Notices are posted and nominations are made for the Treasurer, Clerk, and Moderator. Officers are voted individually. Commissioners serve 5 year terms and a vote is taken for this position. The Budget for the next term is approved and other discussion will be covered.

Safety discussions are held at every meeting to cover potential mishaps, vehicles, equipment, apparel, or any needs off the Staff. These are handled on top priority. Damaged Hydrants, Broken Pipes, digging damages, etc interrupt the flow of water often causing temporary reduction in water pressure or quality. These are addressed promptly after direct notification to the Water Department.

The Precinct maintains a pumping station on Tyler Drive that serves homes there and is a potential lead into a development behind this system. We have Satellite at Mountain Laurel Estates off Shirley Hill Road serving forty-six homes.

In addition to the present operation we are working closely with the Goffstown Dept. of Public Works and potential Sub Contractors for Re Hab work on Main Street. New Mains will be installed to replace piping that is old and larger ones where necessary.

This will be a very busy year!

Respectfully Submitted

Allen D. Gamans, Jr. Chairman

Board of Commissioners

Stephen R. Crean, Raymond Taber, Henry Boyle, Richard Fletcher

**GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT
WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 20, 2017**

To the inhabitants of the Goffstown Village Precinct qualified to vote on Precinct affairs.
You are hereby notified to meet at the Goffstown Village Precinct office in said Goffstown, in said Precinct, on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 7:00 in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year, including a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.

ARTICLE II

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the 2017 Budget as proposed by the Board of Commissioner and approved by the Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Seventy-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars (\$771,758.00) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV

To hear the report of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE V

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 17th day of January, 2017.

Allen D. Gamans, 2020
Richard Fletcher, 2019

Henry C. Boyle, 2018
Stephen Crean, 2017

Raymond Taber, 2021

GOFFSTOWN VLLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2017 BUDGET

EXPENSES

		Budget 2016	YTD 2016	Budget 2017
4130	Executive	\$160,443.00	\$144,607.37	\$164,000.00
	Salaries	160,443.00	144,607.37	164,000.00
4150	Financial Adm	\$9,040.00	\$6,893.61	\$9,190.00
	Audit	3,750.00	3,850.00	3,900.00
	Business supplies	2,400.00	2,255.45	2,400.00
	Office equipment	2,400.00		2,400.00
	Personnel supplies	400.00	700.66	400.00
	Safety Deposit box	90.00	87.50	90.00
4150	Personnel Adm	\$96,030.00	\$85,879.44	\$96,524.00
	fica	12,274.00	11,668.42	12,642.00
	health ins	66,500.00	60,921.15	66,500.00
	w/c ins	2,756.00	785.17	2,882.00
	retirement fund	14,000.00	12,365.15	14,000.00
	unemp. Ins	500.00	139.55	500.00
4194	Building maintainance	\$3,000.00	\$1,870.30	\$3,000.00
	Office	1,000.00	941.37	1,000.00
	filtration plant	1,000.00	36.00	1,000.00
	wells and tank	1,000.00	892.93	1,000.00
4196	General insurance	\$4,564.00	\$6,850.00	\$6,775.00
	Libility/prop/auto	4,364.00	6,575.00	6,575.00
	Bond	200.00	275.00	200.00
4153	Legal	1,500.00		1,500.00
4197	Advertising/assoc.	\$3,600.00	\$2,258.00	\$3,600.00
	Advertising/assoc.	500.00	60.00	500.00
	Assn dues	500.00	438.00	500.00
	License fees	2,000.00	1,400.00	2,000.00
	Meeting expense	600.00	360.00	600.00
4199	Other General Govt	\$24,595.00	\$33,460.09	\$42,795.00
	Vehicle expense	9,000.00	5,660.19	9,000.00
	Office elec/heat	5,000.00	3,447.94	4,000.00
	Telephone/internet	4,800.00	5,219.46	4,000.00
	Postage	3,400.00	3,776.55	3,400.00
	computer support	895.00	995.00	895.00
	Forestry			
	Engineering	1,500.00	14,360.95	21,500.00
4332	Water Services	\$25,500.00	\$20,214.93	\$27,500.00
	Contract labor	4,000.00	2,765.00	5,000.00
	hydrant repairs	3,000.00	3,388.52	3,000.00
	dam repairs	6,000.00	8,962.00	6,000.00
	service repairs	6,000.00	2,077.41	6,000.00
	main repairs	1,000.00		2,000.00
	meter repairs	200.00		200.00
	pump reairs	1,500.00		1,500.00
	Equipment repairs	1,000.00	286.23	1,000.00
	Road repairs	500.00		500.00
	New services	2,000.00	2,735.77	2,000.00
	Thawing	300.00		300.00

GOFFSTOWN VLLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2017 BUDGET

EXPENSES

		Budget 2016	YTD 2016	Budget 2017
4335	Water Treatment	\$66,600.00	\$65,538.74	\$68,600.00
	Chemicals	10,000.00	4,908.82	10,000.00
	Electric	28,000.00	32,647.68	31,000.00
	Heat	6,000.00	2,787.14	5,000.00
	Glenview exp	3,600.00	5,568.36	3,600.00
	Supplies	3,000.00	2,197.32	3,000.00
	Water tests	4,000.00	3,033.00	4,000.00
	Mtn Laurel water	12,000.00	14,396.42	12,000.00
4326	Sewage Mtn Laurel	\$15,000.00	\$10,155.66	\$15,000.00
4711	Debt Service			\$-
	Bond principal			
	Bond interest			
4901	Capital Outlay/Improv	\$176,000.00	\$151,221.93	\$305,874.00
	Contingency fund	10,000.00		10,000.00
	Capital replacement	10,000.00		10,000.00
	Main/sytem upgrades	156,000.00	151,221.93	285,874.00
	Building improve			
4902	Mach/Equipment	\$16,800.00	\$14,114.20	\$16,800.00
	House meters	12,800.00	12,825.20	12,800.00
	New Equipment	4,000.00	1,289.00	4,000.00
	New Vehicle			
4915	Operating tranfers out	\$10,600.00	\$10,600.00	\$10,600.00
	Septic	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00
	Vehicle			
	trans to savings		36,658.33	
	TOTAL	\$613,272.00	\$590,322.60	\$771,758.00

GOFFSTOWN VLLAGE WATER PRECINCT
2017 BUDGET
INCOME

		Budget 2016	YTD 2016	Budget 2017
3402	Water Charge	\$516,790.00	\$513,857.63	\$656,482.00
	metered water	358,190.00	354,295.65	391,242.00
	flat rate	100,200.00	101,161.98	192,240.00
	hydrants	58,400.00	58,400.00	73,000.00
3409	Other	\$83,776.00	\$75,862.27	\$114,776.00
	booster station	4,776.00	5,821.50	4,776.00
	thawing	350.00		350.00
	forestry			8,000.00
	hydrant repair	2,900.00	210.00	2,900.00
	new services	8,000.00	8,200.00	15,000.00
	o/off	300.00	240.00	300.00
	service repair	2,500.00	646.20	2,500.00
	meter repair	150.00	375.00	150.00
	backflow tests	2,600.00	2,750.00	2,600.00
	Mtn Laurel water	26,600.00	25,948.05	26,600.00
	Mtn Laurel septic	27,600.00	27,933.81	27,600.00
	pool fill	500.00	150.00	500.00
	Asset Mgt Grant			20,000.00
	misc	7,500.00	3,587.71	3,500.00
3502	Savings Interest	\$500.00	\$542.70	\$500.00
3351	Shared Revenue			
	SUBTOTAL	\$601,066.00	\$590,262.60	\$771,758.00
3913	Sav. Transfer vehicle			
	Sav. transfer general	\$12,206.00		
	Sav. Transfer septic			
	TOTAL	\$613,272.00	\$590,322.60	\$771,758.00

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

Grasmere Village Water Precinct had a good and busy 2016. Two long-term employees retired. We would like to honor Diane Rand for her 39 years of service as Clerk to the water precinct. Her integrity and attention to her job were so appreciated by the customers of the precinct. Keith Moore also retired from the precinct after 20 years of service. Keith was our water operator and he was always the first on the scene of an emergency and the last to leave and customers appreciated that. Christine Daniels became Clerk in 2016 and brought a best business practices billing system on-line and upgraded all the accounts with it. John Foss joined us also in 2016 and is now our licensed water operator. John and Christine have become active with attending meetings and workshops in Concord with DES and NH Water Works Association, and are incorporating ideas for best business practices and tailoring them to meet the needs of our water system.

Hydrants are still on schedule for replacement and is ongoing. We are planning upgrades to some of our water mains which are aging out, and are starting our meter replacement program.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Daniels, Clerk

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING - MARCH 31 2017

To the members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, in the county of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, you are hereby notified to meet in the Grasmere Town Hall in the Village of Grasmere at seven PM (7) o'clock on the evening of March 21, 2017 to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE #1 To choose a Commissioner for the years 2017 - 2020 and a Commissioner for the year 2017-2018.

ARTICLE #2 To choose a Moderator for the year 2017.

ARTICLE #3 To choose a Clerk for the year 2017.

ARTICLE #4 To choose a Treasurer for the year 2017.

ARTICLE #5 To see if the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000,000 to be used for the reconstruction and upgrading of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct's water system and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$650,000 of bonds and notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act [RSA33] and to authorize the water precincts officials to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$350,000 from the Precinct's unassigned fund balance. The Grasmere Village Water Precinct's commissioners recommends this appropriation. The budget committee recommends this appropriation. [2/3 ballot vote required]

ARTICLE #6 To see if the Village Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of Two Hundred and Six Thousand, One Hundred and One Dollar (\$230,201) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE #7 To hear the reports of the Treasurer and Clerk for the year 2016.

ARTICLE #8 To act upon any unfinished business from the previous meeting.

ARTICLE #9 To discuss and act upon any unfinished business which may rightfully come before said meeting.

This is the Precinct's annual meeting and it is hoped that all members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will attend and support the Precinct.

Given this February 2, 2017 under our hands:

John Foss, Commissioner Raymond St. Pierre, Commissioner Earl Wajenberg, Commissioner

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2017 BUDGET

EXPENSES

	2016 Budget	2016 Expenses	2017 Budget
EXECUTIVE	\$62,151.34	\$68,129.71	\$62,151.34
SALARIES	60,751.34	66,910.71	60,751.34
MILEAGE	1,400.00	1,219.00	1,400.00
FIN. ADMIN	\$7,450.00	\$6,338.35	\$7,450.00
AUDIT	5,250.00	5,250.00	5,250.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,400.00	672.35	1,400.00
POSTAGE	800.00	416.00	800.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
	200.00	0.00	200.00
INSURANCE	\$2,500.00	\$1,497.00	\$2,500.00
LIABILITY/PROPERTY/WC	2,500.00	1,497.00	2,500.00
LEGAL	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
		0.00	
ADV./REG. ASSOC	\$700.00	\$90.00	\$700.00
TRAINING	500.00	35.00	500.00
ASS. FEE	200.00	55.00	200.00
OTHER GEN/GOV	\$6,100.00	\$4,928.29	\$6,200.00
COMMUNICIATION	1,900.00	1,953.81	2,000.00
ELECTRIC	4,200.00	2,974.48	4,200.00
WATER SERVICES	\$126,000.00	\$118,563.67	\$130,000.00
MANCHESTER WW	100,000.00	99,111.54	103,000.00
SERVICE REPAIRS	1,500.00	1,305.87	1,500.00
CONTRACT LABOR	13,000.00	9,656.10	13,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIRS	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
NEW SERVICES	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
WATER TESTS	2,500.00	770.00	2,500.00
MAINT. SUPPLIES	1,000.00	545.57	1,000.00
HYDRANT REPL	4,000.00	7,174.59	5,000.00
ENGINEERING/ ASSET MANAGEMENT			\$20,000.00
WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE			\$1,000,000.00
TOTAL	\$206,101.34	\$199,547.02	\$1,230,201.34

**GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT
2017 BUDGET**

	REVENUE		
	2016 Budget	2016 Revenue	2017 Budget
WATER CHARGE	\$198,101.34	\$205,223.61	\$222,201.34
WATER	178,956.99	186,061.29	203,056.99
FIRE PROTECTION			
HYDRANT RENTAL	19,144.35	19,144.35	19,144.35
MISC		17.97	222,201.34
OTHER	\$8,000.00	\$7,020.90	\$8,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIR		5,810.90	
SERVICE REPAIR ON/OFF			
NEW SERVICE	4,000.00		4,000.00
METER REPAIR			
SERVICE CONTRACT	2,500.00		2,500.00
BACK FLOW TESTING	1,500.00	1,210.00	1,500.00
LGC REFUND			
 TRANSFER FROM FUND BALANCE			 \$350,000.00
 BOND			 \$650,000.00
TOTAL	\$206,101.34	\$212,244.51	\$1,230,201.34

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN OFFICIAL BALLOT

MARCH 14, 2017

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Kelly Boyer
- Peter Georgantas
- Write-In _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Four*

- Kelly Boyer
- Zuzana Buzzell
- Peter Grigorakakis
- Karl Soderquist
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Linda Reynolds Naughton
- Rich Palazzolo
- Write-In _____

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Three*

- Samantha Homan
- Steve Bouchard
- Kathleen "Kathy" Coughlin
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____

PLANNING BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*

- Phil D'Avanza
- James Raymond
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____

SEWER COMMISSION

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Stephen R. Crean
- Rich Palazzolo
- Write-In _____

TOWN CLERK

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Cathleen "Cathy" Ball
- Write-In _____

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Laura Paris
- Write-In _____

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*

- Alan H. Yeaton
- Write-In _____
- Write-In _____

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Million Two Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$20,296,990)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Seven Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$19,779,338), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 11-0-1.***

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town of Goffstown approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2017	16,773
2018	32,557

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$16,773) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 10-0-0.***

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 12-0-0.***

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to continue the transportation program, contingent upon the Manchester Transportation Authority being awarded a grant for this purpose? The primary purpose of this program is to provide transportation to the elderly and disabled on an on-call basis for necessary appointments. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation under RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until 6/30/2019. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 11-0-1.***

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$230,000) for the repair of the Uncanoonuc Lake Dam? The NH Department of Environmental Services has issued a Letter of Deficiency to the Town regarding this dam. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 12-0-0.*

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of land acquisition and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as agents to carry out the objectives of the fund following the procedure as outlined in RSA 41:14-a; furthermore, to raise and appropriate the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) to be deposited into the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 9-1-0.*

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 12-0-0.*

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 2.)*

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 12-0-0.*

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town keep the elderly exemptions the same?

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIAL BALLOT

MARCH 14, 2017

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

For 1 Year *Vote for not more than One*

Ellen Vermokowitz

Kristie Curtis

Janet (Jan) Soderquist

Write-In _____

SCHOOL BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Three*

Heather L. Trzepacz

Steven Dutton

Jenelle Anne O'Brien

Write-In _____

Write-In _____

Write-In _____

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling FORTY ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$41,146,272.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be FORTY MILLION NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$40,933,772.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

***The School Board Voted 8-0-0 to Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 to Recommend***

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Educational Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2017-2018	\$23,012
2018-2019	\$106,454
2019-2020	\$106,647

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND TWELVE DOLLARS (\$23,012.00) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND TWELVE DOLLARS (\$23,012.00) from the Food Service Revenues and the Special Federal Revenue Fund for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. No amount to be raised from taxation for 2017-2018. (Majority vote required.)

***The School Board Voted 8-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend***

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT



*Seated L-R: Steven Dutton, Vice Chair; Dian McCarthy, Chair; Reta Caffee; Ginny McKinnon.
Standing L-R: Dan Cloutier; Heather Trzepacz; Jenelle O'Brien; Kristie Curtis;
Jacob Borges, Student Rep.; Kathy Sargent, GHS Teacher Rep.; Lorry Cloutier.*

Throughout 2016, the Goffstown School District continued its focus on advancing student learning through data-driven curriculum initiatives, attracting and retaining high-quality, educational professionals, maintaining our facilities, and addressing space needs to provide appropriate learning environments for our students.

The Board and the Administration recognize that roughly half of the funding for our schools comes from a residential base and have consistently demonstrated creativity, innovation and frugality in running our school system. This year is no different.

Our students continue to achieve great things academically earning test scores that consistently rank them among the best of the best. They've once again received statewide recognition in the subjects of art, music, latin, math and science, and some of our students were even recognized at the national level.

Our student athletes performed well in their respective sports demonstrating teamwork, skill and sportsmanship, with many of our teams making it to playoffs and our Boys Varsity Football and Girls Varsity Basketball teams winning the State Championships. Our student organizations continued their work developing leadership skills and a culture of service through a wide variety of drives and volunteer activity. We are so proud of our students and all that they achieve every day, and similarly commend our faculty and staff whose expertise, professionalism, hard work and support is instrumental in these achievements.

Last year, we were very pleased that both the Board's Operating Budget and the Teacher's Contract were approved by the voters. This support helped provide a fair compensation package for our staff and allowed the District to keep moving forward on initiatives related to teaching and learning, safety, and facilities. Over the past year, we have continued to make progress on updating and enhancing curriculum to better equip our students for their futures, and were able to complete several small facilities-related projects that had previously been delayed.

Throughout the fall, the Board and Administration negotiated a new contract with the Goffstown Educational Support Staff (GESS). Our support staff work hard and play an important role in the daily operations of our school, the ability to attract and retain high-quality employees continues to be a top priority of ours. The District and the GESS have worked diligently this year to reach agreement on a contract and we are pleased to present it to the voters on the upcoming March ballot.

The Board has continued to explore options to meet the space needs within the District. As with the past several years, we continue to have concerns regarding space - particularly within our Elementary Schools and to a lesser extent Mountain View Middle School. Unlike many Districts in the state, our enrollment numbers have remained relatively consistent for the past several years. Both Maple Avenue and Bartlett Elementary schools significantly exceed capacity and each has utilized portables for more than a decade to manage their population-driven space constraints, as well as creatively converted every available nook including bathrooms and closets to office and learning spaces. The Board continues to look for ways to meet these needs and will continue to look for the community's support in meeting the space needs of our students.

In closing, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Goffstown School Board for the countless hours they have worked together for the benefit of our town's students. I'd also like to thank our volunteers, parents, faculty and staff, community partners and community as a whole for their continued support of our schools. The education and success of our youth is indeed a group effort. We are lucky here in Goffstown to have the people we do coming together in support of our students. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Dian McCarthy, Chair
Goffstown School Board

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Brian Balke, Superintendent

I am most pleased and honored to present this 2015-2016 Superintendent of Schools report on behalf of School Administrative Unit #19.

The 2015- 2016 school year was the last year that two beloved principals served the Goffstown Community. Leslie Doster and David Bousquet served as principals at Glen Lake School and Bartlett Elementary School, respectively. I don't know that I have ever worked with two principals who are more kind, dedicated, and committed to the Goffstown community as Leslie and David. Together, they gave decades of compassionate leadership that touched the lives of thousands of Goffstown families. I would like to offer my heart-felt gratitude to both Leslie and David for their service to Goffstown students.

All SAU #19 schools continued to score well on 2015-2016 state-required assessments and other assessment metrics. A review of student assessment data shows that Goffstown and New Boston students continued to demonstrate strong performance scoring above or at the state percentages in both English Language Arts and math for all grade levels. The 2015-2016 school year marked the first mandated administration of the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) for high school accountability. Consistent with other assessment data, Goffstown and New Boston students outperformed the state averages across the board. The focus of all schools in SAU 19 is providing high quality instruction to all of our students. We value active learning and student engagement. Our focus will continue to be on providing high quality instruction in all of our schools. All of the schools in Goffstown and New Boston use student assessment data to track individual student progress as well as to evaluate the effectiveness of our curriculum and instructional programs.

During the 2015-2016 school year, the Goffstown School Board negotiated a Tuition Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Hooksett School Board. A contract was developed that would allow for Hooksett students to potentially matriculate to Goffstown High School for the 2017-2018 school year. The Goffstown School District would receive incremental revenue from additional students from Hooksett that does not increase operational costs at GHS.

A significant technology initiative to increase connectivity between all of the Goffstown schools was completed during the 2015-2016 school year. Dark Fiber was strung between all Goffstown schools and the SAU office. This initiative has a considerable payback associated with reduced costs for each school, consolidation of servers, reduced network infrastructure as well as other savings. Return on Investment is less than 15 months with cost savings to be realized for years with improved network functionality. The Town of Goffstown will also benefit from the improvements realized by GTV, our local cable access channel, through the Dark Fiber connectivity.

School safety remained the top priority during the 2015-2016 school year. An SAU-wide School Safety Team met monthly with Goffstown and New Boston Police and Fire Departments. The Safety Team focused on our Emergency Response Plan and conducted many training exercises. Security improvements were also made to all schools in Goffstown and New Boston in an effort to increase the safety of our students and staff. The world has become an increasingly dangerous place and our schools need to be safe, secure, and ready to respond during a time of crisis.

Student enrollment in our schools remained an area of struggle during the 2015-2016 school year. While school enrollment in New Hampshire school districts continues to decline, we have seen stable and increasing enrollment in many grade levels. During the 2015-2016 school year, modular classrooms were installed at both New Boston Central School and Bartlett Elementary School due to increased enrollments and space needs. Both the Goffstown and New Boston School Boards pursued modular options due to the continued lack of available Building Aid being offered for new projects from the State of New Hampshire. Although modular classrooms have some drawbacks, the addition of over 2,000 square feet of instructional space at both schools was a welcome reprieve to kids working in crowded spaces, hallways, and other non-instructional spaces. The Bartlett Elementary School project also included building a new steel storage area, expanding the driveway in front of the school and installing a new sign.

Several other significant Capital Projects occurred during the 2015-2016 school year. Most significantly, a comprehensive drainage mitigation project was done to correct several occurrences of flooding in the Mountain View Middle School gymnasium. These water intrusions have resulted in flooring damage as well as increased insurance premiums. Also of significant note is that a new boiler was installed at Maple Avenue Elementary School. This new high efficiency unit will serve as the lead boiler with the 20+ year old unit remaining as a backup. The heating fuel was also changed by installing a propane tank farm converting from #2 heating oil which resulted in significant cost avoidance based on this change and favorable propane bids.

All SAU #19 schools have per-pupil costs well below the state average, teacher salaries are below the state average and student assessment results exceed the state averages. We are proud to offer a superior education at a reasonable and responsible cost to tax payers. The educational return on investment remains high for our community. I believe that great schools support property values. During the 2015-2016 school year, Goffstown was identified as one of the Top Ten Zip Codes for property sales.

I remain grateful to our dedicated professional staff, support staff, and administrators for their tireless work. In addition, I would like to thank the school board and budget/finance committee members who graciously give their time to the community. Lastly, I would like to thank the wonderful kids who walk through our doors every day. Schools in Goffstown and New Boston are strong, student-centered and focused on advancing student learning. We will continue to work hard to run schools that are student-focused, transparent and a good value to the tax payers of Goffstown and New Boston.

It is my greatest honor to serve the communities of Goffstown and New Boston

Respectfully,

Brian Balke
Superintendent of Schools

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES DELIBERATIVE SESSION SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2016

Moderator, James Raymond, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

James Raymond: We normally begin with the Goffstown High School vocal ensemble. They are at a competition at UNH today. They left behind two members who will help us with our meeting - Mary Kathryn Gill and Madeline Keith. Please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Thank you! You can see them in Goffstown's production of The Little Mermaid.

I'd like to recognize members of town boards who volunteer their time and staff who participate in developing the school budget.

School Board members in attendance: Chair Dian McCarthy, Vice-Chair Steve Dutton, Reta Chaffee, Ginny McKinnon, Daniel Cloutier, Jenelle O'Brien, Keith Allard, Lorry Cloutier and Heather Trzepacz.

Moderator Raymond also introduced the School Administration in attendance: Superintendent Brian Balke, Assistant Superintendent MaryClaire Barry, Business Administrator Ray Labore, Special Ed Director Salina Millora, Principal Leslie Doster, Principal David Bousquet, Principal Suzanne Pyszka, Principal Wendy Hastings, Principal Frank McBride and HR Director Kate McGrath.

Moderator Raymond introduced the Budget Committee members: Chair Elizabeth Dubrulle, Joe Spoerl, Lee Sperry, Peter Georgantas (Board of Selectmen Rep), Dick Fletcher, Angela MacKenzie, Michael Smith and Dennis Lynch.

Members of the Selectmen in attendance: Peter Georgantas (Chair) and Scott Gross.

Also introduced was School District Clerk Jo Ann Duffy.

Senator Lou D'Allesandro was also in attendance, as well as State Representatives, Barbara Griffin and Claire Rouillard.

Moderator Raymond explained the rules and procedures of the Deliberative Session.

Dian McCarthy: We give out two awards every year.

Dream Keeper Award – This award is to recognize a person or organization that has gone the extra mile. The Dream Keeper Award is being presented to Mike and Patty Shearin. They began the Lacrosse program at Goffstown High School. They were both instrumental in the creation of this program. They gave their time, energy and talents to make this a great program.

Cornerstone Award - This award is presented each year by the Goffstown School District to recognize a staff member or community member working within our schools who has demonstrated outstanding achievements in support of student learning. This year, the award is given to Principal Leslie Doster and the second recipient is Principal David Bousquet.

ARTICLE 1

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years

There was no discussion on this Article. No action required.

ARTICLE 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY-NINE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$39,315,266.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY-NINE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$39,196,162.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend

MOTION: D. McCarthy moved, seconded by G. McKinnon to bring this Article forward.

D. McCarthy: Article 2 addresses the Operating Budget. This year it comes unanimously recommended by the School Board and the Budget Committee. I would like to extend our gratitude to the Budget Committee for their care and their work. We had thoughtful questions this year and we were able to come in with a number that was unanimously adopted by both Boards. Your default budget is last year’s operating budget, plus any contractual obligations. There was a certain set of priorities we kept in mind when developing the budget, such as maintaining current programming, teaching and learning, safety, special education, low spending and teacher’s contract. Our people make our District. They are such a strong and important asset. Before the budget gets before you, it goes through many hands and scrutiny. It starts with the principals in July. It then goes to the SAU personnel and they make adjustments. It then goes to the School Board and we make changes. It then moves on to the Budget Committee. After many hours and questions, it ultimately comes before you today. \$1.65 million dollars was cut out of the budget this year. We also need to be mindful of our revenue. Half of our revenue is raised through local taxation. We also get revenue from State taxes, State Aid, Food Services, Medicaid, Tuition, Building Aid and Other (smaller grants). This budget is a decrease of almost \$800,000 from last year. We saw a decrease in health insurance and energy costs.

D. McCarthy reviewed the various areas of the budget and highlighted the proposed changes. Our students are shining on the stage. They are shining on the field. There is amazing work being done here. Our schools are worth the investment. There is a direct correlation between property value and our schools. Our zip code is the 6th hottest in the State on realtor.com. We are expecting your taxes to go down. We ask you to vote yes on Article 2.

There were no questions on Article 2. Article 2 will appear on the Ballot as written.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2016-2017	\$677,771.00
2017-2018	(\$237,912.00)
2018-2019	\$724,992.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$677,771.00) for the 2016-2017 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$18,480.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-ONE DOLLARS (\$659,291.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.) The first year of the Collective Bargaining Agreement will have no tax impact because the district will use the 2.5% contingency fund.

**The School Board Voted 6-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 11-0-1 To Recommend**

MOTION: Steve Dutton moved Article 3 forward. Seconded by Dian McCarthy.

Moderator Raymond: This article asks voters for permission to approve the cost items associated with the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown Education Association (teachers) and the Goffstown School Board.

Steven Dutton: Article 3 seeks approval of the agreement with the teacher's association. We had four goals that drove the process. We wanted to provide a total compensation package to our staff, competitively position the district for hiring, made up the missed step, accomplish the first three goals in a way that was fiscally responsible for the taxpayers. This is a three year contract. We sought a three year agreement to balance flexibility and provide stability. We cleaned up clarification of language from the old contract. The school year now will begin no earlier than the last three days of August. This was important to provide flexibility. We clarified the language that deals with how credit would be applied for new hires. The new contract gives the Superintendent discretion. We also changed language for the stipend payment and retirement language. We also increased longevity by \$250. This would come into effect in year three. We made positive changes to the professional development agreement. We also added language so priority could be given for professional development money to those who were seeking course work to finish up certification. Health Insurance was a change in this contract. The new contract has a new plan. The estimated plan costs are less than the current plan. We also made changes to reflect plans offered by Health Trust. We also tweaked the language to deal with the Cadillac Tax. The District will save \$775,672 in year two when it kicks in. This will position the District well moving forward. The costs for the employees will be less with the driver plan, but they still have different plans to choose from. We also looked at salaries. Goffstown's average salary is below the State average. We wanted to bring salaries more in line with the State average. The salary grid will be incrementally adjusted during the term of the contract to bring a consistent increase amount to each

step on the grid. Years one and two will include a two percent increase to co-curricular. Looking back on our goals, this contract addresses all of them.

Marjorie Harrison: Can you define the terms of longevity and co-curricular?

S. Dutton: Co-curricular is coaching positions, after school clubs. Longevity is when teachers reach a certain point in the district after step 16 and they receive that payment.

No further questions were received. Article 3 will appear on the Ballot as written.

MOTION: S. Gross moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 2 and 3. Seconded by P. Georgantas seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor of the Motion. Motion carried.

E. Dubrulle: The Budget Committee was scheduled to meet after this meeting if the Warrant was changed. That is now cancelled. The Budget Committee does not need to meet.

Moderator Raymond: We said we would allow Senator D'Allesandro to say a few words.

Senator D'Allesandro: Congratulations to the two Principals. I want to echo the sentiments that were portrayed in the video. The School Board's presentation was outstanding. You clearly understand the importance of education. I visit each school ever year and meet with the Principals. I look at the test scores. The scores are outstanding. In athletics, the teams have done very well. It is things like this that bring a community together. The students really get something out of this experience. It is a great place to be.

Moderator Raymond: I want to thank the School Board, staff and the Budget Committee for their work and that they work well together. The Town Meeting is on Wednesday. We hope to see you there. Please vote on March 8. Please attend the High School Musical on February 12 through February 20. Primary Day is February 9.

Peter Georgantas: I would like to make mention, please pay attention to traffic situation on February 9. The Superintendent of Schools has worked with Police, Fire and the Board of Selectmen. We expect a large turnout.

MOTION: Brad Parkhouse moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m. Seconded by Scott Gross. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk

OFFICIAL GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MARCH 8, 2016 ELECTION RESULTS

ARTICLE 1

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

John G. Stafford	918
Reta Chaffee	1,077
Daniel J. Cloutier	1,010
Dian McCarthy	1,163

ARTICLE 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY-NINE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$39,315,266.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY-NINE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$39,196,162.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend

YES 1,209

NO 732

ARTICLE 3

“Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2016-2017	\$677,771.00
2017-2018	(\$237,912.00)
2018-2019	\$724,992.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$677,771.00) for the 2016-2017 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$18,480.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-ONE DOLLARS (\$659,291.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.) The first year of the Collective Bargaining Agreement will have no tax impact because the district will use the 2.5% contingency fund.”

The School Board Voted 6-0-0 To Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 11-0-1 To Recommend

YES 1,209

NO 733

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2017 WARRANT
SCHOOL DELIBERATIVE BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 4, 2017
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on Saturday, the 4th day of February 2017, in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium, Goffstown High School at 10:00A.M. for the first session of the School District Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 14, 2017.

You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the Fourteenth day of March 2017, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls are open on March 14, 2017, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years
 To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing one year

ARTICLE 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling FORTY-ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$41,146,272.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be FORTY MILLION NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$40,933,772.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 8-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Educational Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2017-2018	\$23,012
2018-2019	\$106,454
2019-2020	\$106,647

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND TWELVE DOLLARS (\$23,012.00) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND TWELVE DOLLARS (\$23,012.00) from the Food Service Revenues and the Special Federal Revenue Fund for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. No amount to be raised from taxation for 2017-2018. (Majority vote required.)

***The School Board Voted 8-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend***

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 25th DAY OF JANUARY 2017.

Dian McCarthy	Steven Dutton
Reta Chaffee	Dan Cloutier
Lorry Cloutier	Kristie Curtis
Ginny McKinnon	Jenelle O'Brien
	Heather Trzepacz

SCHOOL BOARD

OCTOBER 1 PUPIL ENROLLMENT

2012-2016

School	Grade	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
BARTLETT	1	51	53	44	44	51
	2	43	55	51	39	52
	3	51	41	54	52	40
	4	51	51	43	56	50
	Total - Bartlett		196	200	192	191
GLEN LAKE SCHOOL	Pre-School	58	57	54	59	58
	Kindergarten	118	118	110	114	132
Total - Glen Lake		176	175	164	173	190
MAPLE AVE	1	124	96	129	118	104
	2	101	128	95	120	106
	3	109	105	124	93	125
	4	121	110	106	122	97
	Total - Maple Avenue		455	439	454	453
MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL	5	166	174	163	158	186
	6	184	170	179	164	163
	7	239	284	256	274	242
	8	283	245	279	267	286
	Total - MVMS		872	873	877	863
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL	9	340	335	266	319	324
	10	297	297	319	245	282
	11	277	278	277	295	229
	12	260	262	259	252	274
	Total - GHS		1,174	1,172	1,121	1,111
GRAND TOTAL 2012- 2016		2,873	2,859	2,808	2,791	2,801

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the School Board
Goffstown School District

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Goffstown School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Governmental Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our (1) unqualified audit opinion on each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information; and (2) qualified audit opinion on the governmental activities.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities

Management of the Goffstown School District has not adopted *Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)*, and accordingly has not reported the related liability and expense on the government-wide financial statements, nor has the required supplementary information or *Schedule of Funding Progress* been included in these financial statements. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the net OPEB obligation be reported which would increase liabilities and expenses and decrease net position in the government-wide financial statements. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities and expenses, and net position of the government-wide financial statements is not reasonably determinable.

Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph on the governmental activities, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities for Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Opinion on Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters*Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on the following pages be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions of the financial statements that collectively comprise the Goffstown School District's basic financial statements. The combining schedule of nonmajor funds is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining schedule of nonmajor funds is the responsibility of management and is derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, schedule of nonmajor funds is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Governmental Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have issued our report dated December 22, 2016 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purposes of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Angell & Company LLC

Ashland, New Hampshire
December 22, 2016

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Goffstown School District ("District"), we offer readers of the District's Financial Statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the year ended June 30, 2016. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

1. Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflow or resources of the District exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent year by \$3,677,750 (*net position*). Of this amount, \$(10,451,909) (*unrestricted net position*), had it been positive, may have been used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. The negative unrestricted net position is attributable to the reporting of the District's proportional share of the actuarially determined retirement system's unfunded pension liability less the system's net position ("net pension liability"). Reporting the District's proportional share of the net pension liability does not impact the District's ability to meet its current obligations.
- The District's total net position changed by \$2,516,767.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$11,995,919, a change of \$1,935,303 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$9,506,613 is *available for spending* at the District Town Meeting's discretion.
- Last fiscal year, the District implemented GASB Statement Nos 68 and 71, which require the District to record its related share of net pension liability of the New Hampshire Retirement System. The net pension liability is the District's proportionate share of the retirement system's actuarially determined unfunded pension liability less the system's net position. This amount is reported only on the government-wide financial statements and has no impact on the fund financial statements of the District. At the end of the most recent year, our net pension liability is \$23,179,316.

2. Overview of the Financial Statements

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

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the items reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

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

The governmental activities of the District include administration, instruction, support services, operations and maintenance, and transportation.

Fund Financial Statements. A *fund* is a group of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

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

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

The District maintains five individual governmental funds. Information is presented in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund and grants fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other three funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. *Fiduciary funds* are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statements, because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the District's own programs.

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

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents *required supplementary information* that is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

3. **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$3,677,750 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The largest portion of the District's net position (\$13,910,825) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment and furnishings), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although the District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The following is a summary of condensed statement of net position and statement of activities for government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

Goffstown School District's Condensed Statement of Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2016	2015
Current and other assets	\$ 13,085,731	\$ 10,258,950
Capital assets	18,575,889	19,563,839
Total assets	31,661,620	29,822,789
Deferred outflows of resources	2,618,997	2,343,362
Long-term liabilities outstanding	28,599,681	28,475,327
Other liabilities	1,116,871	306,845
Total liabilities	29,716,552	28,782,172

Deferred inflows of resources	886,315	2,222,996
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	13,910,825	13,534,231
Restricted	218,834	241,998
Unrestricted	<u>(10,451,909)</u>	<u>(12,615,246)</u>
Total net position	\$ <u>3,677,750</u>	\$ <u>1,160,983</u>

Goffstown School District's Condensed Statement of Net Position

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for service	\$ 771,566	\$ 775,110
Operating grants and contributions	1,359,937	1,390,014
Capital grants and contributions	291,101	-
General revenues	<u>38,565,757</u>	<u>36,884,303</u>
Total revenues	40,988,361	39,049,427
Expenses:		
Administration	3,573,662	3,378,346
Instruction	25,599,515	24,086,435
Support services	3,837,063	3,615,109
Operation and maintenance	3,427,462	2,892,224
Transportation	1,905,435	1,609,926
Interest expense	<u>128,457</u>	<u>150,483</u>
Total expenses	<u>38,471,594</u>	<u>35,732,523</u>
Change in net position	2,516,767	3,316,904
Net position - Beginning of year	<u>1,160,983</u>	<u>(2,155,921)</u>
Net position - End of year	\$ <u>3,677,750</u>	\$ <u>1,160,983</u>

An additional portion of the District's net position (\$218,834) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of *unrestricted net position* (\$(10,451,909)), if it were positive, may have been used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. As noted above, governmental activities net position changed by \$2,516,767. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Fund	\$ 1,506,123
Nonmajor Funds	429,180

Depreciation expense, net of capital asset purchases	(987,950)
Repayment of long-term debt	903,334
Change in net pension obligation, net of deferred resources	584,628
Other GAAP accruals	81,452
Total	\$ <u>2,516,767</u>

4. **Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**

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

Governmental funds. The focus of the District's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$11,995,919, which is a change of \$1,935,303 in comparison with the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Fund	\$ 1,506,123
Nonmajor Funds	
School Food Service	(21,491)
Capital Project Fund	450,100
Permanent Trust Funds	571
Total	\$ <u>1,935,303</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the District. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$9,506,613, while total fund balance was \$11,030,650. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 26.2 percent of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 30.4 percent of that same amount.

As noted above, total fund balance of the general fund changed by \$1,506,123 during the current fiscal year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Revenue in excess of budget	\$ 143,498
Expenditures less than budget	3,115,702
Use of fund balance as a funding source	(413,024)
Change in encumbrances	(538,526)

Other	<u>(801,527)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,506,123</u>

5. **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

There is no change between the total original and total final budget.

6. **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

Capital Assets. The District's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2016, amounted to \$18,575,889 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and building improvements, machinery, and equipment and furnishings. The total change in the District's investment in total capital assets for the current year was \$(987,950).

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

	<u>Amount</u>
Capital asset additions:	
MVMS – FACS Flooring	\$ 7,150
MVMS - Dishwasher	15,559
Bartlett Elementary - Renovations	460,116
Depreciation expense	<u>(1,470,775)</u>
Total change in capital assets	<u>\$ (987,950)</u>

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

7. **Request for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's financing for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Office of the Business Administrator, C/O SAU #19, 11 School Street, Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045.



Phone: (603) 716-0165
8 Memory Lane, Ashland, NH 03217

December 22, 2016

To the School Board
Goffstown School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Goffstown School District for the year ended June 30, 2016. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and OMB Circular A-133, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated December 22, 2016. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Goffstown School District are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new significant accounting policies were adopted and the application of significant existing policies was not changed during the fiscal year. We noted no significant transactions entered into by the District during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statement in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate(s) affecting the District's financial statements were:

- Estimated lives and depreciation methods for depreciable assets,
- collectability of receivables,
- functional expense allocation, and
- net pension liability.

Management's estimate of the above is based on various criteria. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates and determined that is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 22, 2016.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the District's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as District's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We were engaged to report on Combining Schedule of Nonmajor Funds, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content,

and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of The School Board and management of the District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Angell & Company LLC

December 22, 2016
Ashland, New Hampshire

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017-2018 EXPENDITURE BUDGET

Function	2015 - 2016 Actual	2016 - 2017 Appropriation	2017 - 2018 Proposed Budget	Change from 2016-2017 Appropriation	% Change from 2016 - 2017 Appropriation
1100-1199 Regular Education	15,653,263	16,394,985	16,764,799	369,814	2.26%
1200-1299 Special Education	7,731,892	8,417,587	8,648,652	231,065	2.75%
1300-1399 Vocational Programs	80,000	165,150	165,150	-	0.00%
1410 Co-Curricular	469,214	479,903	512,557	32,654	6.80%
1420 Athletics	198,728	227,476	227,651	175	0.08%
1430 Summer School Programs	26,142	37,108	36,186	(922)	-2.48%
1490 Other Pupil Services	<u>5,456</u>	<u>6,600</u>	<u>6,600</u>	-	<u>0.00%</u>
1400-1499	699,540	751,087	782,994	31,907	4.25%
1600 Adult Education Programs	79,001	86,485	86,436	(49)	-0.06%
1810 Field Rental	-	-	-	-	
1600-1899	79,001	86,485	86,436	(49)	-0.06%
2120 Guidance	1,078,587	1,208,922	1,259,325	50,403	4.17%
2125 Guidance Records	14,806	14,285	14,270	(15)	-0.11%
2130 Health Services	504,327	534,328	547,720	13,392	2.51%
2150 Speech Pathology and Audio	<u>454,787</u>	<u>522,461</u>	<u>576,751</u>	<u>54,290</u>	<u>10.39%</u>
2000-2199	2,052,507	2,279,996	2,398,066	118,070	5.18%
2212 Curriculum Development	7,158	9,050	9,050	-	0.00%
2213 Staff Development and Training	29,958	63,200	63,200	-	0.00%
2222 Information Center Services	546,197	603,597	605,717	2,120	0.35%
2223 Audio-Visual Services	902	3,300	3,300	-	0.00%
2224 Educational TV	-	-	-	-	
2290 Technical Support Services	<u>174,452</u>	<u>171,455</u>	<u>188,702</u>	<u>17,247</u>	<u>10.06%</u>
2200-2299	758,667	850,602	869,969	19,367	2.28%
2311 School Board	31,217	47,900	48,913	1,013	2.11%
2313 Treasurer	1,638	1,737	1,736	(1)	-0.06%
2314 District Meeting	4,199	6,483	6,482	(1)	-0.02%
2317 Audit Services	5,500	5,500	7,500	2,000	36.36%
2318 Legal Services	<u>39,271</u>	<u>25,500</u>	<u>29,000</u>	<u>3,500</u>	<u>13.73%</u>
2310-2319	81,825	87,120	93,631	6,511	7.47%

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017-2018 EXPENDITURE BUDGET CONT.

Function		2015 - 2016 Actual	2016 - 2017 Appropriation	2017 - 2018 Proposed Budget	Change from 2016-2017 Appropriation	% Change from 2016 - 2017 Appropriation
2321	SAU Services	1,292,489	1,513,206	1,536,170	22,964	1.52%
2410	Administration	2,236,102	2,375,390	2,501,237	125,847	5.30%
2490	Other Student Support Services	27,312	26,255	30,333	4,078	15.53%
2400:2499		2,263,414	2,401,645	2,531,570	129,925	5.41%
2519	Other Fiscal Services	-	1,500	1,500	-	0.00%
2620	Building Operations	2,922,683	2,882,653	2,838,964	(43,689)	-1.52%
2630	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	27,479	37,000	37,000	-	0.00%
2640	Equipment Maintenance	7,250	11,600	11,600	-	0.00%
2600-2699		2,957,412	2,931,253	2,887,564	(43,689)	-1.49%
2721	Transportation	1,176,374	1,159,898	1,234,824	74,926	6.46%
2722	Special Needs Transportation	698,494	615,972	711,109	95,137	15.45%
2723	Skills Center Transportation	48,352	40,284	40,214	(70)	-0.17%
2724	Athletic Program Transportation	72,782	89,350	93,520	4,170	4.67%
2725	Field Trip Transportation	17,010	21,380	24,380	3,000	14.03%
2790	Other Transportation	30,526	28,500	33,500	5,000	17.54%
2700-2799		2,043,538	1,955,384	2,137,547	182,163	9.32%
2800	Other Professional Services	1,590	1,610	31,610	30,000	1863.35%
2834	GESS Course Reimbursement	9,500	9,500	9,500	-	0.00%
2800-2999		11,090	11,110	41,110	30,000	270.03%
4500	Building and Construction	-	-	-	-	
5110	Debt Service - Principal	615,000	605,000	590,000	(15,000)	-2.48%
5120	Debt Service - Interest	138,700	118,425	101,463	(16,962)	-14.32%
5251	Transfer to Capital Reserve	-	-	-	-	
5222	Transfer to Spec Rev Funds	7,689	-	-	-	
	Total General Fund	36,466,027	38,570,535	39,636,621	1,066,086	2.76%
Fund 21	Food Service Fund	1,076,495	1,079,054	1,095,851	16,797	1.56%
Fund 22	Federal Grants Fund	1,082,317	343,448	413,800	70,352	20.48%
Fund 30	Capital Projects Fund	-	-	-	-	
	Total Goffstown School District	38,624,839	39,993,037	41,146,272	1,153,235	2.88%

* Note: The proposed fiscal year 2017 - 2018 column equals the MS-27 operating budget posted with the warrant.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

PROJECTED REVENUES 2017-2018

	2015 - 2016 Approved MS-24	2016 - 2017 Approved MS-24	2017 - 2018 Estimated Revenues
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			
Adequacy Grant	7,099,784	6,938,808	6,909,729
School Building Aid	305,250	289,250	273,250
Kindergarten Construction Aid	-	-	-
Area Vocational School Transportation Aid	-	-	22,500
Kindergarten Bridging Aid	-	-	-
Catastrophic Aid	345,904	340,000	287,500
Child Nutrition	11,000	11,000	12,000
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			
Grant Programs	324,968	324,968	413,800
DOE / EdJobs Funding	-	-	-
Child Nutrition Programs	200,000	200,000	285,000
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES			
Reg Education Tuition	6,339,135	6,179,735	6,100,500
Special Education Tuition	325,000	325,000	325,000
Earnings on Investments	1,500	1,500	1,500
Food Service	713,000	710,000	725,000
Medicaid	373,000	350,000	325,000
Other Local Revenue	742,267	729,687	-
Other Income (Capital Projects Transfer)	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	16,780,808	16,399,948	15,680,779
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Sale of Bonds			
Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			
GENERAL FUND BALANCE			
Reserved Fund Balance (2.5% Contingency)			
Unreserved Fund Balance	374,544	768,556	100,000
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	17,155,352	17,168,504	15,780,779
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	19,791,021	19,596,105	22,137,065
STATE ASSESSMENT	3,167,853	3,228,428	3,228,428
APPROPRIATION	40,114,226	39,993,037	41,146,272
Actual / Projected Local Tax Rate	\$14.99	\$13.55	\$14.19
Actual / Projected State Tax Rate	<u>\$2.42</u>	<u>\$2.32</u>	<u>\$2.32</u>
Total	\$17.41	\$15.87	\$16.51

Notes:

- FY 2017- 2018 appropriation number equals the School Board's Proposed Operating Fund Budget with GESS CBA.
- First year wage and benefit costs for the CBA will be completely covered by Grants and Food Service Funds. There is no impact to the school district's local tax rate.
- Projected revenues are estimates and are subject to change.
- Projected local tax rate increase is \$0.64

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEBT SCHEDULE
AS OF JUNE 30, 2016

Years remaining on Goffstown School District's general obligation bonds.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
2016-17	605,000.00	118,425.00	723,425.00
2017-18	590,000.00	101,463.00	691,463.00
2018-19	580,000.00	81,975.00	661,975.00
2019-20	570,000.00	58,974.00	628,974.00
2020-21	565,000.00	36,275.00	601,275.00
2021-22	555,000.00	12,488.00	567,488.00
Total Outstanding Bonds	\$3,465,000.00	\$409,600.00	\$3,874,600.00

<u>Bond</u>	<u>Last Payment</u>	<u>Principal Balance</u>	<u>Interest Balance</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Total Outstanding Bonds		\$3,465,000.00	\$409,600.00	\$3,874,600.00

*Notes:

The Goffstown High School Renovation Bond was refunded in November 2010 resulting in a savings of \$580,044 in interest cost over the life of the Bond.

GLEN LAKE SCHOOL

Kathy Stoye, Principal

True to our motto, "*Glen Lake School is a great place to start!*" we jumped into the 2015-16 school year firmly focused on our three core goals:

To prepare each child for success in 1st grade.

To foster in each child a lifelong love of learning.

To spark in each child the belief that school is a wonderful place to be.

Professional development is key to continuous school improvement. This year saw the implementation of the newest edition of Everyday Math. Teachers attended training in the summer and continued to work as a team throughout the year to implement this program in the most effective way possible for all students. This, in combination with continued application of the previous year's training by Dr. Mahesh Sharma, drove mathematics professional development for the Glen Lake faculty throughout the 2015-2016 school year. Literacy training was ongoing, as well, as teachers worked to further refine developmentally appropriate instruction to help students achieve as much growth as possible during the school year.

Analyzing our student data in June 2016, we were very pleased with the results. 85% of Glen Lake School's kindergartners were entering 1st grade on or above grade expectation in the area of literacy. This was up slightly from June 2015. In the area of mathematics 86% of students were entering 1st grade on or above grade expectation. This was in keeping with records from June 2015. Congratulations to our students on a job well done.

Learning about citizenship and building character is another important aspect of the program at Glen Lake School. We use real world experiences to teach our students about treating one another kindly and about giving back to the community. Each year Glen Lake partners with the Goffstown Network in support of their Food Pantry. This experience is also built into Kindergarten math instruction. In 2015-2016 Glen Lake students collected (and counted) over 1,000 non-perishable food items for the Network Food Pantry.

Glen Lake School has always recognized parents as full partners in their child's education. In order to enhance the home/school relationship, Glen Lake staff provided curriculum-oriented family events throughout the year. Before the first day of school in September the staff welcomed families with an Open House. In late September each classroom hosted a Parent Information Night focusing on curriculum and instruction. In November, Glen Lake held a Family Literacy Night, which was very well attended. In December parents attended parent-teacher conferences, and in March we had another fantastic turn out for Family Math & Science Night. The addition of a sensory-friendly room to Family Math & Science Night for our students with sensory needs was well received. In May teachers welcomed incoming kindergarten parents with a kindergarten orientation evening, and in June we celebrated with our families at our End of the Year Celebrations as we prepared to transition all of our students to new classrooms and new schools.

During 2015-2016 parents supported the school by working as volunteers at our Fall Harvest Theme Day in October, the Winter Wonderland Theme Day in December, Woody's Walk (a health and fitness event) in May, and Field Day in June. Parents provided additional support throughout the year as office volunteers preparing instructional materials for the classrooms. Glen Lake School Partnership, our parent group, provided financial support by purchasing classroom supplies and equipment, student snacks on special theme days, and by bringing assemblies to the school to enrich instruction.

The end of the 2015-16 school year brought with it a few goodbyes, most notably, the retirement of beloved Principal Leslie Doster, who had led the school since its opening in 2006. Mrs. Doster received the Cornerstone Award from the Goffstown School Board in January 2016, a well-deserved recognition of her many contributions to education over her 20 years working in SAU #19. Mrs. Doster was a part of building support for public kindergarten in Goffstown as a member of the Goffstown Kindergarten Committee, and then served on the Kindergarten Building Committee. Once Glen Lake School opened, Mrs. Doster was central to building the culture of caring and success that have become its hallmark. Mrs. Doster will be fondly remembered and sorely missed, as Glen Lake School moves forward with the same high standards she set during her time here. We are ever grateful for her years of hard work and dedicated leadership.

Our philosophy at Glen Lake School is that the education of our students is a shared commitment. By bringing together dedicated educators with high expectations, involved parents, and enthusiastic learners we can do great things. *Glen Lake School is a great place to start!*

BARTLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Gerri St. Gelais Principal

"Every child has a different learning style and pace. Each child is unique; not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding." – Robert John Meehan

At Bartlett Elementary School, all of our decisions are guided by our mission:

Bartlett Elementary School will ensure the success of all students in an ever changing world.

Bartlett Elementary School is a community which:

- promotes high academic standards and expectations for all students
- creates and supports a safe, pleasant, learning environment
- fosters self-esteem, respect, tolerance, and understanding of others
- encourages a cooperative effort among parents, students, teachers, staff, administrators, and the public
- helps young people reach their potential and become positive, contributing members of our community

Bartlett Elementary School opened in September with three new additions to our staff: Alexandra Farrell, Art Teacher; Sandee Nichols, Art Teacher; and Suzanne Price, Music/Strings Teacher. Enrollment on the first day of school was: Grade 1 (45), Grade 2 (39), Grade 3 (52), and Grade 4 (56) for a total of 192 students.

Bartlett Elementary School's goals for the 2015-2016 school year were:

1. To utilize a Leadership team structure, which establishes and monitors specific plans for implementing and supporting instructional practices that increase teaching effectiveness and advances student achievement.
2. To increase the percentage of students who maintain or increase their literacy and mathematical proficiency.
3. To advance student learning by maintaining a multi-tiered, school-wide positive behavior intervention system that maintains or improves appropriate student behavior and results in a positive school climate.

Some of the strategies we used to meet our goals included:

- Consistent implementation of Reading Streets, our core literacy program; Everyday Math 4, the newest edition of the core math program, as well as a variety of intervention programs, including My Sidewalks, Number Worlds and Leveled Literacy Intervention.
- Implementation of reading incentive programs. All students and staff members received and read the book *Frindle* by Andrew Clements. Students completed numerous activities and attended a play at the Capitol Center for the Arts based on the book.
- Collaboration by grade level teams to review student data and to plan instruction.
- Modeling of appropriate behavioral expectations by the PBIS Universal Team at All-School Meetings. Children who were "caught" displaying these targeted positive behaviors were recognized with a special PBIS sticker. Students were also recognized with PBIS slips throughout the year for displaying behavior that was respectful, responsible, and safe.
- Teaching Whole Body Listening and Social Thinking (Expected vs. Unexpected Behavior).

The new school year brought many positive changes. The front driveway was expanded to help reduce traffic backups on Mast Road, parking spots were added and our new sign was installed. In January, two 4th Grade classrooms relocated to our new portable and both classrooms were outfitted with digital whiteboards. That move allowed us to have a Music/Art Room as well as a Teacher's Room. Student bathrooms in the lower level were updated and a second staff bathroom was added. Finally, a new kitchen storage area was built. All of these changes have greatly improved our school.

In March, Bartlett Elementary School held its 2nd Annual STEAM Night. Family and staff attendance was strong at this evening dedicated to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Music activities.

In the spring, students in grades three and four participated in the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC). The SBAC is a computerized assessment of academic skills in the areas of English Language Arts and Math. The results provided a review of student progress and helped the school measure its progress in reaching curriculum goals.

Because of its dedicated, caring, and professional staff and the support from our families and the community, positive things continue to happen at Bartlett. Our active Parent Teacher Association, PTA, works hard to provide our students with fun events and activities that enhance our student's school experience. I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard to help make us a wonderful learning community for our students.

Each year, we have to say goodbye to some amazing staff. I would like to thank Angela Colvin, Grade 1 Teacher; Amanda Fournier, Paraprofessional; Sandra Longval, Paraprofessional; Stanley Piecuch, Custodian; and Brett Wilcox, Physical Education Teacher, for their dedication to the Bartlett community.

It was with heavy hearts that students, families and staff said goodbye to Mr. David Bousquet, Principal, after 17 years of dedicated service. Mr. Bousquet was extremely caring, positive, and respected. Mr. Bousquet was honored when he received the Cornerstone Award from the Goffstown School Board in January 2016, a well-deserved recognition for his many contributions to education over his 17 years working at Bartlett. The students sent Mr. Bousquet off with a farewell play performed at GHS under the direction of Suzanne Price, Bartlett's Music Teacher, in the Spring of 2016. Please help me in thanking Mr. Bousquet for his tireless commitment to Bartlett Elementary School.

MAPLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Suzanne Pyszka, Principal

“A Community of Active Learners”

Maple Avenue Elementary School exemplifies excellence in education. Our vision statement clearly shows our commitment to this ideal: **“Maple Avenue is a place where understanding and compassion are cultivated. We use each day to make a positive difference in the lives of children, parents, staff, and the community. By working collaboratively, we strive to create life-long, self-directed learners. At our school, students learn and grow in an environment where they feel happy, safe, and valued.”** We hold ourselves to these rigorous standards and our success in meeting them is reflected, in part, in our students’ excellent testing data. While we have pride in these results, we also know that it is our student-driven approach to education that has delivered these consistently high marks. By focusing on the individual child, striving to meet high standards, engaging our community, and inspiring our educators, we are able to provide students with an education that empowers their achievement.

The safety and security of our students and staff is a priority at Maple Avenue Elementary School. We provide a secure working environment and practice safety procedures routinely. We work closely with the Goffstown Police and Fire Departments who share their expertise and assist us with safety measures. The ongoing relationship between the schools and town services has been extremely beneficial.

Our Student Council, which is made up of third and fourth grade students, lead the student body in making a positive impact within their community. This year they collected thousands of food items for the Goffstown food pantry, participated in the collecting coats for a local shelter, created a “Wall of Heroes” as a way to honor military families, and collected donations for children with blood cancers through the organization “Pennies For Patients”. The Student Council also promoted school spirit by organizing monthly school spirit days such as pajama day, crazy hair day, and sports day.

A very BIG thank you to the Parent/Faculty Together (PFT) who donated thousands of hours of their time at Maple Avenue in the 2015 – 2016 school year. This wonderful group also provides financial support for field trips, special events, projects and supplies. Our school community is lucky to have such wonderful people willing to donate their time and talents!

In closing, I would like to recognize Jackie Hamilton, a dedicated teacher who retired at the end of the school year. She spent the last 15 years making a difference in the lives of Maple Avenue students and staff. Our students, their families and the school staff will miss her.

MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

*ACCREDITED MEMBER OF
THE NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES*

Wendy Hastings, Principal

The 2015-2016 school year at Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) continued to be a year dedicated to elevating student achievement- one of our primary missions. MVMS standardized assessment results provided our community with concrete feedback that we have indeed advanced student academic performance in the key areas of mathematics and language arts.

In addition to standardized assessments, MVMS students demonstrated their outstanding mathematics ability for a seventh consecutive year in the New England Mathematics League Math Contest. MVMS was ranked #19 in grades six-eight in all of New England! Our 6th grade population is a shining star placing 3rd in the state of New Hampshire.

MVMS continues to utilize Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS). This school-wide initiative encourages a consistent, positive climate across all classroom setting focusing on the components of “Paws Pride”: Respect, Responsibility, Community and Pride. This program is a proactive systems approach to establishing the behavioral supports and social culture for all students to have the opportunity to achieve social, emotional and academic success and continues to be the backbone of our community.

Throughout the 2015-2016 School Year, our talented MVMS students demonstrated individual, ensemble, and team distinctive accomplishments including:

- Geography Bee Winner: Katy Donovan
- Spelling Bee Winner: Thaddeus Hagner
- Various Community fundraisers including the canned food drive (3200 cans), pajama drive (150 pairs) and \$1000 dollars raised for the Liberty House
- Grades 7/8 Grade Chorus received an “A” rating at the NHMEA Large Group Music Festival
- 12 MVMS musicians were selected to participate in the NHMEA Middle School District Festival Band
- Cross Country: Kyle Chauvette and Charlotte Bausha named MVMS Runners of the Year
- Spirit: 3rd place at the Tri-County Championship
- Boys Basketball “A” Division 2 State Runner-up
- Boys Basketball “B” Division 5 State Runner-up
- Girls Basketball “A” Division 2 State Champions
- Girls Basketball “B” Division 5 State Runner-up
- Girls Softball Team: Division 2 State Runner-up
- Boys Baseball: Division 2 Champions, Undefeated Season
- Girls Lacrosse: Undefeated Season

The accomplishments outlined above reflect the hard-work and dedication of our remarkable staff working with our students to help nurture them and challenge them to work hard and “love their story”.

GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Francis J. McBride, Principal



U.S. News and World Report has named Goffstown High School the fourth best high school in the state of New Hampshire. US News analyzed more than 19,908 public high schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Goffstown High School ranked 1,754 nationally, receiving a silver medal. This is the fourth straight year we have fallen in the top 10 NH High Schools!

In addition to our U.S. News and World Report recognition, Goffstown High School students earned numerous accolades and awards.

I will share a few of the highlights:

- GHS Girls Basketball – 2015 Division II State Championship.
- The 2016 yearbook was dedicated to Melinda “Sandi” Sanderson who has worked in education for over 50 years. When Emma Campbell and Tessa Carbonneau made this announcement on March 25th, they pointed specifically to Sandi’s “generosity of spirit, her love of the students, as well as her faith in them” as the reasons for this decision. Sandi, daily, helps make GHS a special place. Thank you!
- Division 2 Individual Wrestling State Championship: Ian Routhier, 170lb and Connor Bourque, 145lb. This was Connor’s fourth State Championship (126lb, 132lb, 138lb).
- Contributing to the tradition of helping out their community, GHS Student Council along with the entire student body collected more than 4000 canned goods and \$3600.00 to help feed our local community through the Goffstown Food Pantry.
- The GHS Select Vocal Ensemble was the featured choir at the All New England Choral Festival held at Plymouth State University.
- Lexi Gorton – New Hampshire’s 2015 Poetry Out Loud Alternate Champion.
- Emilie Veilleux and Hannah Olkovikas – First Place for Environmental Science and Sustainability at the NH State Science and Engineering Expo.
- Jack Kennerson and Jacob Roberge participated in the Granite State Certman, which is a classic trivia game based on Latin language. Our team came in first place beating St. Paul’s and Dover High School in the final round.
- Eighty three music students, teachers and parents traveled to Austria and Bavaria in April where they had the opportunity to perform two concerts.
- GHS Boys Soccer Team – 2016 Division II State Championship, first time in 50 years!
- Those students in the Visual and Performing Arts continuing to be recognized for their excellence are too numerous to list.

Thank you all for your continued support of the great and important work occurring at Goffstown High School. Your continued commitment to providing us the resources to maintain and surpass our current level of success is appreciated. I can promise you that we will continue to provide quality educational opportunities for our students while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

GOFFSTOWN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY

FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE	911
POLICE	911
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND POISON CENTER	800-222-1222

TOWN HALL 497-8990

Admin/Selectmen	Ext. 100	Planning	117
Assessor	112	Sewer	116
Building	114	Tax Collector	110
Finance	104	Town Clerk	107

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire (Church St. – Station 18)	497-3619	Police	497-4858
Fire (Pinardville – Station 19)	622-6713	Public Works	497-3617
Library	497-2102	Transfer Station	497-4824
Parks & Recreation	497-3003		

SCHOOLS

Glen Lake School	497-3550	Mt. View Middle	497-8288
Bartlett Elementary	497-2210	Goffstown High	497-4841
Maple Ave. Elementary	497-3330	SAU #19 Admin.	497-4818

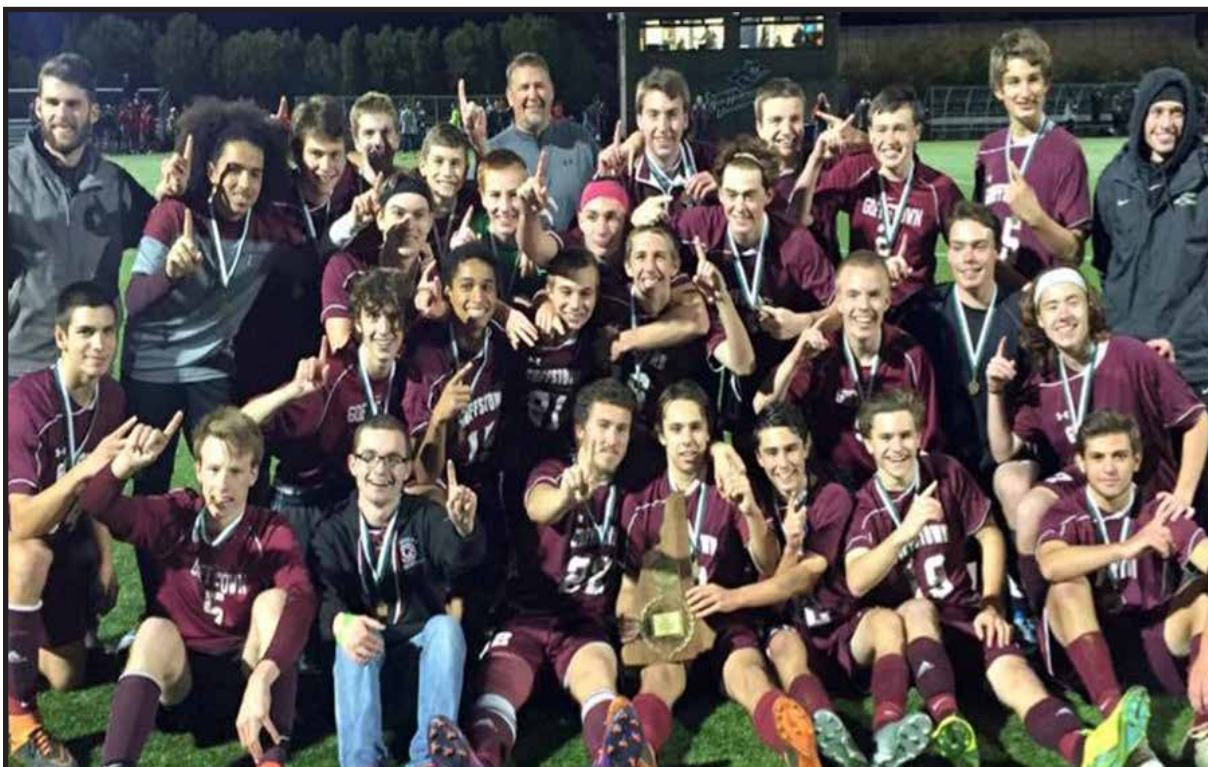
VILLAGE DISTRICTS

Goffstown Water	497-3621	Grasmere Water	497-8346
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2016
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL



GIRLS BASKETBALL
DIVISION II STATE CHAMPIONS



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