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OF THE OFFICERS
PIERMONT, N.H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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This Town Report

Is Dedicated To

ROBERT A. MICHENFELDER

“MIKE”

For the Year Ending December 31, 2002

Mike came to Piermont many years ago, impressed with its mountains, lakes and natural resources. Planning Board member, Conservation Commission member, consultant and advisor, he has worked hard to conserve its scenic beauty.

THANK YOU, MIKE, FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS!

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OF THE OFFICERS

OF THE TOWN OF PIERMONT NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31, 2002

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For the Year Ending December 31, 2002

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen	Jean . D. Daley, Chr (2003)	272-4944
	Robert J. Lang, (2004)	989-5684
	Dean W. Osgood (2005)	272-5804
Town Clerk	Linda Lambert (2003)	272-5848
Treasurer	James Lambert	272-5848
Tax Collector	Linda Lambert (2003)	272-5848
Road Agent	Christopher Davidson (2005)	272-9110
Police Chief	William R. Deal	272-5882
Fire Chief	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Forest Fire Warden	Roy Belyea (2005)	272-4886
Health Officer	Alex Medlicott	272-4835
Emergency Management	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Animal Control Officer	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Supervisors-Checklist	Ve a Jenks (2004)	272-4838
	Russell Woodard (2006)	272-4378
	Louis Hobbs (2008)	272-5810
Trustee Trust Fund	Frederick Shipman, Chr. (2005)	272-4938
	William R. Deal (2004)	272-5882
	Louis Hobbs (2003)	272-5810
Moderator	Arnold Shields (2004)	989-3171

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Katherine Wescott, Treas. (2003)	Marian Shields (2003)
Helga Mueller, (2005)	Joe Medlicott (2004)
Stephanie Gordon, Chr. (2005)	Nancy Sandell (2004)
Cindy Piro (2003)	
Maureen Byrne, Librarian	
Jim Meddaugh , Assistant Librarian	

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Terry Robie	272-4901
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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Fred Shipman, Chr. (2004)	George Schmid, Vice Chr. (2004)
Jeffrey P. Dube (2003)	Charlie Brown (2005)
Steve Daly (2005)	
Dean Osgood, Alternate (2005)	Helga Mueller, Alternate (2005)

PLANNING BOARD

Peter Labounty, Chr.(2003)
Fred Shipman (2005)
Suzanne Woodward (2004)
Jean D. Daley, Ex-Officio
Helga Mueller, Secretary

Thomas Stevens (2004)
Robert Michenfelder (2003)
Kay Wescott (2005)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Joe Medlicott., Pres.
Frederick Shipman, Treas.
Lloyd Hall, Dir. of Preservation

Helga Mueller, V.P.
Anna Williams, Corresp. Secy.
Betty Hall, Dir-at-Large.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Helga Mueller, Chr.
David Ritchie
Donald Smith
Robert A. Michenfelder, Honorary Member

Charles Grant
Eric Underhill
Ernest Hartley, Jr.

RECYCLING CENTER & TRANSFER STATION

Wayne Godfrey, Manager
John Metcalf, Assistant Manager

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 12, 2002

TOWN OF PIERMONT

Polls opened in the Old Church Building at 10:00 a.m. for voting by Official Ballot on Article One and closed at 6:30 p.m. There were 170 voters voting during the day.

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 in the Piermont Village School by Moderator Shields followed by Pledge of Alliance. Moderator explained procedure for voting tonight and appointed Shawn Rogers and Cynthia Piro as counters. Reconfirming that a voter can only vote if on checklist of the Town.

Joe Medlicott called to not have entire warrant read aloud at this time. Seconded by Bill Deal Voice passed.

ARTICLE ONE: (By Official Ballot) To vote by Official Ballot for the following Town officers:

Selectman - term of 3 years	Dean Osgood
Treasurer - term of 1 year	James Lambert
Trustee of Trust Funds - term of 3 years	Fred Shipman
Two Library Trustees - term of 3 years	Helga Mueller
	Stephany Gordon
Supervisor of Cklist. - term of 6 years	Lou Hobbs
Road Agent - term of 3 years	Chris Davidson
Moderator - term of 2 years	S. Arnold Shields

Results were read and all present were sworn in by Moderator (all except Lou Hobbs).

ARTICLE TWO: To raise and appropriate \$405,669 appearing in the Town Budget as necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year, divided as follows and subject to any adjustment which may be voted upon at this Meeting:

ITEM	BUDGETED CHARGE
Officers Salaries	24,500
Officers Expenses	25,000
Auditor Expense	6,500
Election/Registration	2,500
Town Buildings	25,000
Village Sewer System (Note 4)	21,739
Police Dept.	14,000
Fire Dept. & Fast Squad (Note 5)	21,073
Tax Maps	600
Library	20,000

Minutes Continued:

Cemeteries (see note 1)	8,500
Ambulance, Fire and Police Dispatching Services	4965
Upper Valley Ambulance	10,635
Testing Monitoring Wells	7,500
Contingency	1,500
Insurance	10,000
Legal Expenses	2,500
Solid Waste Disposal (see note 2)	35,237
Street Lights and Blinker	4,300
Highways and Bridges	75,000
Highway Subsidy (see note 3)	28,701
Public Welfare	4,500
Memorial Day	550
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning	680
Recreation and Swimming Pool	5,000
Interest	100
Planning Board	3,500
Revaluation Note	7,000
Lily Pond Reconstruction Note	34,089
Miscellaneous	500

TOTAL TOWN CHARGES 405,669

Note 1: Town raises by taxes \$1,500; balance comes from Cemetery Trust Funds, user fees and surplus in Operating Account.

Note 2: The Town expects to receive \$15,000 from the sale of bags and other charges to offset this cost.

Note 3: This amount is received from the State for use by the Highway Department.

Note 4: No money is raised by taxes. All money comes from User Fees.

Note 5: This will be offset by a Grant in the amount of \$484

Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by Kay Wescott

Discussion: Helga would like to thank the Solid Waste management team (especially to Wayne Godfrey) for the work done on the Pay and Throw program resulting in a drop in Solid Waste line item of budget. A hardy round of applause was given.

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,870 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Seconded by Tom Elliott

No discussion

VOICE PASSED

Minutes Continued:

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 for the White Mountain Mental Health Center.

Moved by Gary Danielson
Seconded by Robert Elder
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$800 for the support of the Community Action Outreach Program.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey
Seconded by Fred Shipman
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,175 for the Grafton Senior Citizen Council.

Moved by Suzanne Woodard
Seconded by Tom Elliott
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the AIDS Community Resource Network (ACORN).

Moved by Robert Elder
Seconded by Tom Elliott

Discussion: Robert Elder is speaking against this article since no one in town is being helped from this organization.
Show of hands YES 29 NO 28
PASSED

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the Haverhill Area Teen Center.

Moved by Fred Shipman
Seconded by Arnold Smith
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$354 to be paid to the Lower Cohase Communication Committee to maintain a web site to promote Haverhill and Piermont, New Hampshire and Bradford and Newbury, Vermont.

Moved by Helga Mueller
Seconded by John Metcalf
No discussion

VOICE PASSED a few nays

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$500 to support the 2002 Woodsville Area Fourth of July Celebration.

Minutes Continued:

Moved by Fred Shipman
Seconded by Ernie Hartley JR
No discussion

VOICE PASSED a few nays

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund under RSA 31:19-a for the maintenance of the Town Owned Bedford Lot and to appropriate \$4,000 to be paid into this Fund, and further, to appoint the Conservation Commission as agents for purposes of expending this fund.

NOTE: The \$4,000 represents part of the revenue already received from the sale of timber from this lot, and will not be raised by new taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

Moved by Helga Mueller
Seconded by Gary Danielson
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appropriate the sum of \$28,000 and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw that sum from the Town Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund, to be used to rebuild the body of the Rescue Vehicle.

Note: The balance in this fund is currently \$33,052.77

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey
Seconded by Michelle Metcalf
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be paid into the Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Chris Davidson
Seconded by Tom Elliott
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Vehicular Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Helga Mueller
Seconded by Wayne Godfrey

Discussion: Katherine Johnson asks what the difference is between article 12 and article 14. Jean Daley states they are the same- article 12 is taking money out and article 14 is putting money in used for any town vehicle equipment needed. Chris Davidson

Minuets Continued:

makes a statement that the town might want to increase this amount in future years due to a need for a new grader in about 5 years. Shawn Rogers asks for clarity- if after we take out the \$28000 and add in \$5000 per year are we starting over in this fund -yes. James Lambert amends this article to eliminate word EQUIPMENT from fund name since article 12 and 14 are suppose to be the same fund seconded by Suzanne Woodard. Dean Osgood asks Fred if this one is the correct name? Fred Shipman assured the meeting that this is the correct name for this fund. James and Suzanne withdraw amendment from floor.

Tom Elliott moves for a vote
Article 14 as written

Voice passed
VOICE PASSED

Jean Daley Moves to revisit Article 12

Seconded by Randy White

Discussion: Randy White amends article 12 to add the word EQUIPMENT to the funds name Seconded by James Lambert

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE 12 NOW READS = To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appropriate the sum of \$28,000 and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw that sum from the Town Vehicle Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, to be used to rebuild the body of the Rescue Vehicle.

Discussion: Katherine Johnson asks for clarity that now we would have about \$10,000 left in this fund -yes. Glen Meder asks why not take money needed for this out of fire equipment fund. Jean Daley states that this fund was set up for a new fire engine.

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund.
The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Wayne Godfrey
Seconded by Michelle Metcalf
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Bridge Expendable Trust.
The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Chris Davidson
Seconded by Steve Daly
No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be paid into Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund.
The Selectmen recommend this Article.

Minutes Continued:

Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by William Deal

Discussion: Frank Rodimon ask for balance in this fund -\$20,601.59 from report on page 64.

Shawn Rogers asks if there is a general plan for this fund? Wayne Godfrey explains that the fire truck is now 22 years old and in about 8 years the town will lose rating so we need to replace it. To replace it today it would cost \$185,000. Ben Elder asks what's the difference between a trust and a fund? An expendable trust needs no vote from town to draw out money, a fund does need a vote from the town to withdraw funds. Shawn Rogers states that in 8 years we are not going to be close to the cost of a new fire truck should we be putting in more here know for future planning! Robert Lang explains there is grant money available to towns for NEW fire equipment. Also, the town is trying to work with Road Agent and Fire Chief each year to update a 5 year plan so they can plan for future needs. If we had known about the grader it could have been updated this year but will be considered in next years budget. Fred Shipman also stated that the town can get a Bond for short term money for town equipment as it has been done in the past.

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Seconded by Tom Elliott

No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000 to be paid into the Transfer Station Expendable Trust, these funds to come from anticipated revenue raised from recycling and not to be raised from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Seconded by Cheryl Page

No discussion

VOICE PASSED

ARTICLE TWENTY (By Petition): To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to monitor the water quality in each of the three major lakes within its borders, Lake Catherine, Lake Armington and Lake Tarleton. The monitoring will take place annually between May 1st and December 1st and measure pollutants such as, but not limited to, E-Coli, mercury, arsenic and contaminates resulting from runoff.

Moved by John Metcalf

Seconded by Abigale Underhill

Minuets Continued:

Discussion: Frank Rodimon asks if there is a amount in mind for this? John Metcalf amends article to read \$800 per year. Seconded by Arnold Smith. Helga Mueller asks if this is an annually cost. John explains it's broken down to \$170 per lake. It would include things like mailing cost, containers and the state running tests of the water. It was mentioned that Lake Armington Association has been monitoring the lake for years by volunteer William Koch and the State of New Hampshire has been testing once a year. William Morris as the present President of the Lake Armington Assoc. states that as an association they pay \$120 per year for testing and the testing is done by volunteers twice a year for Armington alone. There are 60 members who pay dues each year for the association and yes the Conservation Committee could receive a copy of these reports. Owners on Lake Tarleton are in process of forming their own association for their own testing and monitoring. One test doesn't fit all Lakes, each is different. Isn't the State already testing the lakes and who would be doing the testing? Would we be duplicating the testing? John Metcalf said since we share the use of the lakes we should share monitoring and testing. \$800 is for what tests? (test done through DES for e-coli and sediment count plus other test). Battery of tests are a minimum test cost of \$40 each test for each time test done. Fred Shipman - these are public waters so we should pick up cost for tests. Helga Mueller states that this is our water shed and it should be monitored. Robert Elder why do we test? John Metcalf says during last years drought water level was down greatly at the lakes. The swimming beach on Tarleton was very crowded most days by Piermont residents and found that the State was not monitoring this lake . Chris Jacobs asks clarity - this amendment is only adding \$800 to article? yes. Randy White moves to vote on amendment seconded by Tom Elliott voice passed to call amendment

VOICE PASSED some nays

ARTICLE 20 NOW READS = To see if the Town will appropriate \$800 to monitor the water quality in each of the three major lakes within its borders, Lake Catherine, Lake Armington and Lake Tarleton. The monitoring will take place annually between May 1st and December 1st and measure pollutants such as, but not limited to, E-Coli, mercury, arsenic and contaminates resulting from runoff.

Discussion: Cheryl Page states as she reads this article this means one testing yearly! She amends article to read instead for annually testing = for testing 3 times a year. Gary Danielson seconds. Steve Daly states that monitoring could mean 3 test or 1 test could be done - each test is a different time table. Hal Covert asks where does the Trust for Public Land come into this? Selectman? They don't. The State of New Hampshire owns all the water and beach on Tarleton. If State owns all water why do we do the testing? We use water. Cheryl and Gary withdraws amendment from floor.

Fred Shipman amends article to add = town to appoint Selectmen to appoint committee to implement a plan to test and monitor lakes and increase amount to \$1000 for testing. Seconded by William Daley.

Discussion: Russell Woodard asks who cleans up the water if found contaminated? Keith Brick asks why Conservation Committee couldn't be the monitoring committee? William Morris says someone is needed to collect samples and carry to Concord. Conservation Committee should be on this committee with some other knowledgeable people and committee needs to address what tests are needed. Chris Jacob states the money is well spent but maybe we can get the State to help (port a potties, etc for beach) but we don't know cost at this point. Fred Shipman answers who cleans up if something

Minuets Continued:

is found? Would be the polluters. Russell Woodard stated that his job before retirement was dealing with polluters and good luck . Robert Lang asks to table this article until we all have more information. Chris Davidson seconded. Voice failed to table Katy Cook asks if we are going to do more testing at all bodies of water in town and at Indian Pond because we use these waters for swimming also? Tom Elliott calls article Seconded by Abigale Underhill.. Show of hands to call article.

VOICE PASSED
ARTICLE 20 NOW READS = To see if the Town will appropriate \$1000 to monitor the water quality in each of the three major lakes within its borders, Lake Catherine, Lake Armington and Lake Tarleton. The monitoring will take place annually between May 1st and December 1st and measure pollutants such as, but not limited to, E-Coli, mercury, arsenic and contaminates resulting from runoff. Authorize Selectmen to appoint a committee to implement a plan for testing and monitoring all the these lakes.

THIS ARTICLE WAS NEVER ACTED UPON AS AMENDED (I checked with DRA in Concord for clarity and they advised that I add this to the end of article 20 because as it stands this article was never voted on, therefor it was technical PASSED OVER.)

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

William Deal asks for a moment of silence for all towns residents who have passed away this year.

Moved for adjournment

VOICE PASSED adjourn at 9:10

Town Clerk

Linda Lambert

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF PIERMONT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, will be held at the Piermont Village School on Tuesday, March 11, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

Polls will be located in the Old Church Building and will be open at 10:00 a.m. for voting by Official Ballot on Article One, Article Two and Article Three and will close at 6:30 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Piermont Village School.

ARTICLE ONE: (By Official Ballot) To vote by Official Ballot for the following Town officers:

One Selectman to serve for a term of three years.

One Town Clerk to serve for a term of three years.

One Tax Collector to serve for a term of three years.

A Treasurer to serve for a term of one year.

One Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three years.

Three Library Trustees to serve for a term of three years.

And such other officers required to be elected by Official Ballot.

ARTICLE TWO (By Official Ballot) To see whether the Town will vote to amend the Piermont Zoning Ordinance by adding a provision for seasonal cottages. The following question will appear on the official ballot and is not subject to amendments at the meeting:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance: This amendment adds a new provision to Article VIII, Section 2.2 of the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- e. In all districts, a detached seasonal guest cottage may be constructed as an accessory structure, on the same property as a primary single-family residence, exclusively for the use of the occupants of the primary residents and their non-paying guests, subject to the following standards:

Warning Continued:

1. The floor area of the cottage cannot be greater than 300 square feet.
2. No part of the cottage may be rented, leased, converted to a condominium or sold separately without subdivision approval.
3. Unless subdivision approval is obtained, the cottage shall have no permanent or built-in kitchen facilities and must remain physically incapable of being used as a permanent dwelling.”

ARTICLE THREE (by Official Ballot) To see whether the Town will vote to amend the Piermont Zoning Ordinance by adding a definition for a seasonal dwelling. The following question will appear on the official ballot and is not subject to amendments at the meeting:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance: This amendment adds to Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance, Definitions, the following:

Dwelling, seasonal: A dwelling used on an intermittent basis, such as, but not limited to, a vacation home, summer cottage or hunting and fishing camp, for not more than a total of 183 days in any 365 day period.”

ARTICLE FOUR: To raise and appropriate \$445,802 appearing in the Town Budget as necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year, divided as follows and subject to any adjustment which may be voted upon at this Meeting:

ITEM	BUDGETED CHARGE
Officers Salaries	24,500
Officers Expenses	25,000
Auditor Expense	6,200
Election/Registration	2,000
Town Buildings	30,000
Village Sewer System (Note 4)	33,287
Police Dept.	14,000
Fire Dept. & Fast Squad	24,700
Tax Maps	600
Library	28,000
Cemeteries (see note 1)	8,500
Ambulance, Fire and Police Dispatching Services	5,461
Upper Valley Ambulance	10,635

Warning Continued:

Testing Monitoring Wells	7,500
Contingency	1,500
Insurance	7,000
Legal Expenses	3,500
Solid Waste Disposal (see note 2)	36,000
Street Lights and Blinker	4,300
Highways and Bridges	90,000
Highway Subsidy (see note 3)	30,447
Public Welfare	6,000
Memorial Day	600
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning	681
Recreation and Swimming Pool	5,000
Interest	100
Lily Pond Construction Loan	32,791
Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment	7,000
Miscellaneous	500
TOTAL TOWN CHARGES	445,802

Note 1: Town raises by taxes \$1,500; balance comes from Cemetery Trust Funds, user fees and surplus in Operating Account.

Note 2: The Town expects to receive \$14,000 from the sale of bags and other charges to offset this cost.

Note 3: This amount is received from the State for use by the Highway Department.

Note 4: No money is raised by taxes. All money comes from User Fees.

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,870 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire.

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$600 for the White Mountain Mental Health Center.

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$850 for the support of the Community Action Outreach Program.

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,175 for the Grafton Senior Citizen Council.

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to the Haverhill Area Teen Center and Juvenile Diversion Program.

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$354 to be paid to the Lower Cohase Communication Committee to maintain a web site to promote Haverhill and Piermont, New Hampshire and Bradford and Newbury, Vermont.

Warning Continued:

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$600 to monitor the water quality in each of the three major lakes within its borders, Lake Catherine, Lake Armington and Lake Tarleton. The monitoring will take place between May 1st and December 1st and measure pollutants such as, but not limited to, E-Coli, mercury, arsenic and contaminates resulting from runoff.

ARTICLE TWELVE: By request of the Conservation Commission: To see if the town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire Legislature:

“Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural, and historic resources and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.”

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be paid into the Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Building Capital Improvements Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be paid into Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000 to be paid into the Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable

Warning Continued:

Trust, these funds to come from anticipated revenue raised from recycling and not to be raised from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE TWENTY (By Petition): To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following resolution, presented by petition:

Whereas, New Hampshire's residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and

Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of new Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved:

That we, the citizens of Piermont, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and underinsured, and small business owners, has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Given under our hand and seal of the Town of Piermont this 10th day of February, 2003

Warning Continued:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean D. Daley

Robert J. Lang

Dean W. Osgood

RETURN

We hereby attest that the within Warrant is a true copy of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting described therein and further certify that we have caused to be posted an attested copy of this Warrant at the place of the Meeting and a like copy at one other public place in the Town of Piermont fourteen days before the day of the Meeting, not counting the day of posting or the day of the Meeting.

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This Warrant and Return of Warrant have been duly recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk of Piermont, New Hampshire, this 10th day of February 2003

Town Clerk

**SUMMARY OF BUDGET FOR 2003
FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY. SEE POSTED BUDGET**

Town Charges	\$445,802
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT & NH	2,870
White Mountain Mental Health	600
Community Action Outreach Program	850
Grafton Senior Citizens Council	1,175
Haverhill Teen Center and Juvenile Diversion Program	300
Lower Cohase Web Site	354
Monitoring Lake Quality-three lakes	600
Town-Fire & Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund	10,000
Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund	20,000
Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Town Capital Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund	2,000
 Town Sub-total	 504,551
 Estimate of County Tax	 79,000
 TOTAL OF TOWN AND COUNTY	 \$583,551

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF PIERMONT, N.H.

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriation <u>2002</u>	Actual	Appropriation <u>2003</u>
		Expenditures <u>2002</u>	
General Government:			
Town Officers Salaries	24,500	22,360.00	24,500
Town Officers Expenses	25,000	25,148.64	25,000
Election & Registration	2,500	3,360.62	2,000
Expenses Town Buildings	25,000	26,652.78	25,000
Auditor Expense	6,500	6,000.00	6,200
Police Department	14,000	14,431.10	14,000
Fire Dept. inc. Forest Fires & Fast Squad	21,073	21,556.24	24,700
Planning & Zoning	3,500	7,249.60	7,000
Insurance	10,000	5,763.98	7,000
Highway Reconstruction Note	34,089	32,191.43	32,791
Update Tax Map	600	0	600
UVLSC	680	681	681
Health Department:			
Solid Waste Disposal	35,237	30,665.13	36,000
Dispatch Services	4,965	4,964.80	4,965
VNAVTHN	2,870	2,870.00	2,870
White Mt. Mental Health	500	500.00	600
UVA, Inc.	10,635	10,635.00	10,635
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	75,000	75,000.00	80,000
Street Lighting	4,300	4,046.77	4,300
Highway Subsidy	28,701	28,701.37	28,701
Library:	20,000	20,000.00	28,000
Welfare	4,500	7,605.45	6,000
Memorial Day	550	547.95	600
Lower Cohase Region Profile Task & Web Site	354	354.00	354
Haverhill Area Teen.Center	300	300.00	300
Woodsville 4 th of July	500	500.00	0.00
ACORN	300	300.00	0.00
Community Action	800	800.00	850
Grafton Senior Citizen Council	1,175	1,175.00	1,175
Rec. Field & Swimming Pool	5,000	2,789.48	5,000
Cemeteries	8,500	1,500.00	8,500

Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Expenses	2,500	2,160.68	3,500
Sewer District	21,739	21,739.00	33,287
Contingency Fund	1,500	1,429.11	1,500
Dump Closure Project-Monitoring Wells	7,500	4,175.45	7,500
Taxes Bought by Town	0	33,895.41	0
Capital Reserves	56,000	56,000.00	52,000
Misc. Unclassified Expense	500	0.00	500
Interest on Temp. Loans	100	0.00	100
Taxes Paid to County	75,000	76,469.00	79,000
Payment to School District	819,009	819,009.00	446,503
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,361,677	1,282,612.25	1,014,454

SOURCES OF REVENUE

From Local Taxes:

Resident Taxes	4,000	4,060.00	4,000
Yield Taxes	30,000	5,599.91	8,000
Property Taxes	1,000,000	1,002,177.78	1,000,000
Current Use Changes	0	0.00	0
Interest and Penalties	0	12,379.84	10,000
Rooms & Meals & Revenue Sharing	25,000	26,330.91	25,000
Highway Grant	28,701	28,060.38	28,701
Fed. Forest Land	2,000	2,308.83	2,675
Pay as You Throw Income	15,000	14,944.31	14,000
Recycling Income	0.00	1,241.46	2,000
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	90,000	118,146.50	90,000
Dog Licenses	1,100	1,494.00	1,100
Business Lic,Permits,Filing	100	912.75	500
Rent of Town Property	650	700.00	650
Income from Trust Funds	12,000	9,897.83	12,000
Interest on Deposits	0	3,435.01	10,000
Insurance Rebates	2,000	1,594.00	2,000
Sewer District	21,739	21,739.00	33,287
All Other Receipts including dump closeout	500	1,210.16	500
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	1,232,790	1,256,332.67	1,235,413

2002 SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land		
Current Use (at C.U. values)	1,348,843	
Conservation Restriction	203,651	
Residential	11,977,372	
Commercial/Industrial	625,845	
Buildings		
Residential	25,795,135	
Manufactured Housing	488,500	
Commercial/Industrial	2,565,000	
Public Utilities		
Electric (includes Phone-no land)	1,638,385	
Valuation Before Exemptions		44,642,731
Elderly Exemptions	270,900	
Solar Exemptions	1,950	
Blind Exemption	30,000	
Total Exemptions		302,850
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is computed		44,339,881
Utilities		
Central Vermont Public Service	7,530	
Connecticut Valley Electric Co.	604,748	
New England Power Co.	692,124	
New England Telephone	40,324	
New Hampshire Electric Coop.	411,259	
Total	1,755,985	

2002 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE

Gross Property Tax	238,653
Less War Service Credits	-6,100
Net Property Tax Commitments	232,553
Net School Appropriations	961,260
Less Adequate Education Grant	-255,157
State Education Taxes	-251,503
Town Tax Rate	5.23
School Tax Rate	10.20
State School Tax Rate	5.87
County Tax Rate	<u>1.69</u>
Total Tax Rate	22.99

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT
OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 2002**

Title of Appropriations	Total Amt. Available	Expend-Itures	Unexpended Balance	Over Draft
Town Officers Salaries	24,500	22,360.00	2,140.00	
Town Officers Expenses	25,000	24,467.64	532.36	
Auditor Expense	6,500	6,000.00	500.00	
Election & Reg. Exp.	2,500	3,360.62		860.62
Expenses of Town Bldgs.	25,000	26,652.78		1,652.78
Police Department	14,000	14,431.10		431.10
Fire Department	21,073	21,556.24		483.24
Rebuild Rescue Truck	28,000	28,000		
Planning & Zoning	3,500	7,249.60		3,749.60
UVLSRPC	680	681		1.00
Insurance	10,000	5,763.98	8,236.02	
Update Tax Map	600	0	600.00	
Solid Waste Disposal	35,237	30,665.13	4,571.87	
Dispatch Services	4,965	4,964.80	.20	
VNAVTDNH	2,870	2,870.00		
Haverhill Area Teen Center	300	300.00		
ACORN	300	300.00		
White Mtn. Mental Hlth	500	500.00		
UVA, Inc.	10,635	10,635.00		
Highways & Bridges	75,000	74,992.62	7.38	
Highway Subsidy	28,701	28,701.37	.37	
Street Lighting	4,300	4,046.77	253.23	
Lily Pond Reconstruction Note	34,089	32,191.43	1,897.57	
Library	20,000	20,000		
Welfare	4,500	7,605.45		3,105.45
Village Sewer District	21,739	21,739		
Community Action	800	800.00		
Grafton Senior Citizen	1,175	1,175.00		
Memorial Day	550	547.95	2.05	
Woodsville 4 th of July	500	500.00		
Rec. Field & Swimming Pool	5,000	2,789.48	2,210.52	
*Cemeteries	8,500	1,500.00		
Contingency Fund	1,500	1,429.11	70.89	
Legal	2,500	2,160.68	339.32	
Lower Cohase	354	354.00		
Dump Closure	7,500	4,175.45	3,324.55	
Misc. Unanticipated Expenses	500	0.00	500.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	100	0.00	100.00	
Revaluation Loan Payment	7,000	6,640.00	360.00	
Capital Reserves	56,000	55,241.46		
Taxes Paid to County	75,000	76,469.00		1,469.00
TOTALS	571,468	551,816.66	25,646.33	11,752.79

Unexpended Balance 13,893.54

*The balance of this account comes from the Cemetery Fund Monies and is spent so that there is no unexpended balance.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Bldgs.-Selectmen-Library, FireDept.,Hwy.Garage	168,400.00
Furniture & Equipment	11,800.00
Land-Selectmen-Library, Fire Dept.,Hwy.Garage	41,400.00
Equipment-Fire Department	228,000.00
Old Church, Lands and Buildings	53,000.00
Bean Brook Road Land	16,300.00
Highway Equipment	94,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	27,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	603,500.00
Cemeteries	28,500.00
Piermont Sewage District Land	1,300.00
Fire Ponds	12,300.00
Connecticut River Lot (School Lot)	16,000.00
Sarah Moore Lot	34,000.00
Open Space Lot (Glebe Lot)	41,500.00
TOTAL	1,377,000.00

FINANCIAL REPORT
of the Town of Piermont, N.H.
County of Grafton
For the Calendar Year ended December 31, 2002

ASSETS

Cash:		
In the Hands of the Treasurer	546,050	
Taxes Receivable (net of Allowance for Uncollectible		
Taxes	117,124	
Accounts	2,132	
Prepaid Items	3,368	
TOTAL OF ASSETS		668,674

LIABILITIES

Interfund Payable	431,119	
Accounts Payable	20,525	
Deferred Tax Revenue	17	
Total Liabilities		<u>451,661</u>

FUND EQUITY

Reserve for Encumbrances	00	
Fund Balance		<u>217,013</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity		668,674

General Government		
Town Officers' Salaries	55,689	
Election and Registration	3,361	
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee RPC	681	
Legal	2524	
Planning and Zoning	7,965	
Insurance	5,764	
Town Buildings	27,075	
Capital Reserve Funds	55,241	
Total General Governmental Expenses		104,488

Protection of Persons and Property		
Police	14,511	
Fire, Incl. Forest Fire	22,099	
Ambulance	10,635	
Dispatch	4,965	
Total Protection Expense		52,210
Health and Sanitation		
Health Including Hospitals		
Town Trash Removal & Recycling	232,592	
Dump Closure	4,175	
Total Health Expense		36,767
Highways and Bridges		
Highways and Streets	131,211	
Street Lighting	4,047	
Total Highways and Bridges Expenses		135,258
Public Welfare		
Direct Assistance	7,605	
Health	6,299	
Memorial Day		1,048
Recreation		2,789
Paid to Conservation Commission		625
Interest	2,748	
Bonds and Term Notes	30,083	
Total Indebtedness Payments		32,831
Capital Outlay		
Rescue Vehicle	28,000	
Special Revenue Funds		21,500
TOTAL PAYMENTS		484,661

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes		
Property	220,444	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	4,288	
Resident	4,050	
Yield	5,875	
Current Use Lien Release	478	
Interest, Costs and Penalties	12,922	
Total Taxes		248,057
Block Grant-Highway Subsidy		28,701
Shared Revenue		6,801
Meals & Rooms Distribution		20,494
Forestry		2,769
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
Business Lic, Permits & Fees	1,954	
Rent of Town Property	750	
Sale of Town Property	10,106	
Interest on Deposits	3,483	
Income from Mutual Funds	9,670	
Motor Vehicle Registration	118,147	
Income from Departments	18,664	
Insurance Rebate	1,707	
Trust Funds	37,898	
		202,379
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources		509,201

TOWN CLERKS REPORT 2002

SUBMITTED TO TREASURER

Motor Vehicle Registrations (1,154)	117,922.50
Motor Vehicle Titles (116)	224.00
Dog Licenses (199)	1,232.50
Fees, Penalties (dogs)	286.50
Other (Fees, Permits, Zoning Books, etc.)	133.50
	119,799.00

REMINDER***ALL DOGS OVER 3 MONTHS OLD MUST BE LICENSED.
2003 TAGS ARE IN AND YOU DO NEED PROOF OF RABIES TO LICENSE.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2002

Uncollected Taxes - Beg. of Year:**

Property Taxes	81,038.41
Resident Taxes	690.00
Land Use Change	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00
Utilities	2,288.41

Revenues Committed - This Year:

Property Taxes	1,013,291.75
Resident Taxes	4,260.00
Land Use Change	478.00
Yield Taxes	6,369.99
Excavation Taxes	54.00
Utilities	22,495.00

Overpayment:

Property Taxes	7,668.94
Adjustment	0.00

Interest Coll. on Delinquent Tax	1,747.45	4,836.06
Collected Resident Tax Penalties	28.00	49.00
TOTAL DEBITS	1,056,393.13	88,901.88

**This amount should be the same as last year's ending balance.

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:	This Year	Prior Years
Property Taxes	929,848.59	79,715.87
Resident Taxes	3,560.00	490.00
Land Use Change Taxes	156.00	
Yield Taxes	5,545.91	
Excavation Taxes	54.00	
Utilities	20,556.34	2,288.41
Interest	706.27	4,614.30
Penalties	1,069.18	49.00
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	1,474.70	1,544.30
Resident Taxes	50.00	150.00
Yield Taxes	548.60	
Utilities	447.00	
Uncollected Rev. - End of Year		
Property Taxes	89,454.06	
Resident Taxes	660.00	50.00
Land Use Change	322.00	
Utilities	1,665.00	
Yield Taxes	275.48	
TOTAL CREDITS	1,056,393.13	88,901.88

Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies

Unredeemed Taxes: Bal. at Beg. of Fiscal Year	35,014.42
Liens Sold or Executed During Fiscal Year	32,361.83
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	6,875.22
TOTAL DEBITS	74,251.47

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer:	
Redemptions	36,062.28
Interest/Costs (After Sale or Lien Execution)	6,875.22
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	0.00
Unredeemed Taxes on Initial Sale/Lien	31,313.97
TOTAL CREDITS	74,251.47

Linda Lambert, Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Taxes - Current Year	
Property	924,771.65
Resident	3,560.00
Gravel Tax	54.00
Yield	5,545.91
In Lieu of Taxes	3,264.77
Penalties and Interest	12,921.88
Taxes - Prior Years	
Property	76,070.75
Resident	490.00
Current Use	176.00
Yield Tax	0.00
Redemptions	34,977.23
State and Federal	
Revenue Distribution	7,832.56
Block Grant	28701.37
Forestry	2,769.08
Rooms & Meals	20,494.26
Capital Reserve Income	28,000.00
Other Sources	
Rent of Town Property	750.00
Motor Vehicles	118,146.50
Dog Licenses and Fees	1,519.00
Recycling	1,444.08
Pay as you Throw	14,936.06
Clark Fund	9,897.83
Planning Board Fees	459.82
Building Permits	435.00
Insurance Rebate	1,707.00
Interest	3,435.01
Library-Electricity	716.05
Sale of Town Property	10,106.00
Other	1,539.05
Total Receipts	1,314,720.86
Beginning Balance	625,598.88
Total	1,940,319.74
Less Expenditure	1,395,320.29
Balance December 31, 2002	544,999.45

James A. Lambert, Treas.; Town of Piermont

**STATEMENT OF ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN
ON TREASURER**

Town Officers Salaries		
Jean D. Daley	Selectman	1,700.00
Robert J. Lang	Selectman	1,700.00
Dean W. Osgood	Selectman	1,700.00
Linda Lambert	Town Clerk	7,835.00
Linda Lambert	Tax Collector	5,775.00
James Lambert	Treasurer	1,000.00
Jean D. Daley	Bookkeeper	1,000.00
Wayne Godfrey	Animal Control Officer	550.00
Terry Robie	Zoning Administrator	800.00
Fred Shipman	Trust Fund Trustee	300.00
Total		22,360.00

Town Officers' Expenses

AT&T/Verizon	Telephone	1,361.08
BMSI	Seminars/Support/Software	2,184.00
Ace Blueprint	Copies	24.00
Fletcher Printing	Town Report	2,779.53
Austin Hogan	Copy Old Map	125.00
Conway Office Products	Copier repair/toner	324.29
Gem Forms	Tax bills	404.24
IDS	Dog tags	107.13
Intertec Books	Blue Book	33.00
Jean Daley	Reimbursements	732.67
Jim Lambert	Reimbursements	649.92
Lexis Law Book	Refund	492.38
Linda Lambert	Reimbursements	400.43
Martins Flag	Flags	202.14
Matthew Bender & Co.	Annual updates-RSA's	378.78
NEBS	Town Checks	137.83
NHTCA	Seminar Fee/Dues	90.00
NH Assoc. Assessors	Dues	20.00
NH Assoc. of Town Clerks	Dues	20.00
NH Dept. of Agriculture	Dog Licenses	408.50
NH Tax Collectors Assoc.	Dues,	20.00
NHMA	Dues/Book	535.00
North Conway Grand Hotel	Seminars	493.00
Nyberg, Purvis & Assoc.	Assessing	2,240.00
Philatelic Fulfillment Center	Stamped Envelopes	626.90
O'Brien Forestry	Management Plan	508.50
Plymouth Village Water & Sewer	Annual Fee	100.00
Postmaster	Postage & Box Rents	1,464.00
Primedia Business	Auto Red Book	34.00
Register of Deeds	Recording Fees	193.86
Ross Business Machines	Copier/toner	3,534.00

State of NH	Fee and Handicap Signs	101.54	
Sinclair Chiropractic Clinic.	Medical	84.00	
Stonecliff Animal Farm	Stray Dog	62.00	
Town of Peterborough	Boston Post Canes	508.27	
Tuck Press	Notices	192.00	
UVLSRPC	Dues	681.00	
Wayne Godfrey	Reimbursements	292.71	
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	Box Rent & Fees	927.00	
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	FICA	1,676.04	
Total			25,148.64

Election and Registration

Ace Blueprint Service		45.00	
Joe Medicott		132.00	
Everett Jesseman		260.00	
Louis Hobbs		292.00	
Priscilla Glidden		268.00	
Cathy Grant		52.00	
Rose Macri		184.00	
Marion Shields		140.00	
Linda Lambert		527.49	
James Allen		36.00	
Jim Lambert		28.00	
Vea Jenks		160.00	
S. Arnold Shields		108.00	
Russell Wodard		308.00	
Suzanne Woodard		196.00	
Four Corners Store		243.13	
Tuck Press		336.00	
Fletcher Printing		45.00	
Total			3,360.62

Town Buildings

ADT	Electric	100.00	
Bryan Nadeau	Spring Cleanup	137.51	
CVEC	Electricity	3,433.98	
C. M. Davidson	Signs	156.00	
Jean Daley	Supplies	7.00	
Ernestine Fadden	Cleaning	754.50	
Jim Lambert	Electrical Work	197.79	
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Supplies	156.10	
Perry's Oil Service	Fuel Oil and Maintenance	1,806.59	
Piermont Sewer District	User Fees	1,665.00	
Terry Robie	Labor & Expenses	17,472.00	
Town of Hanover	Monitoring Fee	400.00	
Verizon	Old Church Bldg.	366.31	
Total			26,652.78

Police Department

John Metcalf	Labor/FICA	6,558.25
John Metcalf	Mileage	2,827.39
John Metcalf	Telephone/supplies.	28.82
John Metcalf	Misc. Expense reimb.	249.00
Douglas Dutile	Light Bar	1,842.80
William R. Deal	Salary	1,200.00
William R. Deal	Expenses/FICA	1,583.82
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	Radio Repairs	29.00
State of New Hampshire	Books	106.00
Verizon	Telephone	6.02
Total		14,431.10

Planning and Zoning Boards

Journal Opinion	Notices	175.83
Helga Mueller	Secretary/Expenses	784.01
Ace Printing	Zoning/SubDivision Books	18.85
Register of Deeds	Recording	32.00
Gardner & Fulton	Legal Advice	6,041.52
UVLSRPC	Regulations	105.00
Postmaster	Box Rent	44.00
Fred Shipman	Reimbursements	30.39
NHMA	Subscription	18.00
Total		7,249.60

Fire Department

W. Alfred Stevens	Fire Warden & Training	255.55
Richard Waterman	Repairs	9.48
Battery Zone	Batteries	205.50
Earthlink	Internet Provider	230.02
C M Davidson Inc.	Fire Pond	3,400.00
Green Mountain CISM	Debriefing	100.00
CVEC	Electricity	1,160.50
Bradford Health Services.	Hepatitis shots	60.00
Chief Supply Corp.	Supplies	152.16
Clarey's Safety Equip.	Valves	922.20
Don's Auto	Repairs/inspections	384.63
Fairlee Fire Brigade	Dues	250.00
Four Corners Store	Gasoline	312.81
Frontline Fire & Rescue	Clothes/Equipment	1,523.75
General Services Administration	Mop-up kit	446.25
Pikomm Communications	Pager & repairs	539.50
Dingee Machine	Supplies	244.25
Pufco	Foam	98.00
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Materials	14.92
Fire Pond 2001 Encumbered		-900.00
Fairlee Feed	Fire Pond Grass seed	57.90
Payroll	Time/Expenses	3,267.54
Training		505.00

Perry's Oil Service	Fuel Oil	987.43
KDD Auto Parts, Inc.	Parts	66.90
Register of Deeds	Dry Hydrant Easements	32.60
Michael Dannehy	Fire Pond	75.00
N.H. state Firemen's Assoc.	Dues	120.00
Mike Clark	Training	245.00
VISA	Supplies/Repairs	172.15
Reliable Office Supplies	Supplies	64.65
Simplex Grinnell	Testing	65.25
Tom Johnson	Used Pager	300.00
Treasurer, State of NH	Equip. and Fees	555.94
Twin State Mutual Aid	Dues	200.00
UVRESA Inc.	Dues	50.00
Verizon	Telephone	489.44
Visa	Supplies	371.73
Wayne Godfrey	Fire Chief Salary	1,000.00
Wayne Godfrey	Expense Reimbursements	566.11
W. W. Grainger, Inc.	Parts	35.51
Piermont Fire Dept.	Reimbursement	448.38
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	FICA	319.82
Various		690.77
Total		20,121.64

Fast Squad

Tom Elliott	Reimb. Warning lights	183.98
Ellen Putnam	Training	260.00
Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Ctr	PHTLS Class	150.00
Bound Tree Corporation	Supplies	188.14
Bradford Health Services	Hepatitis Shots	80.00
Merriam Graves	Oxygen	96.48
Postmaster	Box Rent	24.00
Upper Valley Ambulance	Training	25.00
Battery Zone	Radio	52.00
Woodsville Ambulance	EMT Training	375.00
Total		1,434.60

Insurance

N.H.M.A.		5,824.99
Primex-W.C.-réimbursement		-61.01
Total		5,763.98

Library		20,000.00
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Solid Waste Disposal

Floyd Marsh	Trucking Recyclables	5,220.00
CVEC	Electricity	259.93
White River Paper	Plastic Bags	2,958.70
Various	Labor	7,998.49
Lin-Cor Environmental	Metal Pickup	375.00

Waste Mgt. NH	Trash Disposal	11,335.39	
Wayne Godfrey.	Expense reimbursement	106.28	
Verizon	Telephone	9.81	
NH State Treasurer	Recertification	50.00	
WGSB	FICA	611.85	
Northeast Quality Printing	Labels	689.86	
North Country Council	Paint&Hazardous Waste	934.00	
Visa	Gas Heater	115.82	
Total			30,665.13
Rebuild RescueTruck			28,000.00
Dispatch Service			4,964.80
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT & NH			2,870.00
White Mountain Mental Health			500.00
Haverhill Area Teen Center			300.00
ACORN			300.00
Ambulance Service			10,635.00
Highway Department			75,000.00
Street Lights			4,046.77
Highway Subsidy			28,701.37
Welfare			7,605.45
Community Action Outreach			800.00
Grafton Senior Citizen Council			1,175.00
Memorial Day			
Wreaths		48.00	
Piermont Village School		160.00	
Lyme Town Band		300.00	
Littleton Office Supply		39.95	
Total			547.95
Recreation Field & Swimming Pool			
K & R Portable Toilets	Port-a-Potty Rental	588.00	
John Metcalf	Labor	1,490.86	
Bob Lang	Labor & supplies	296.77	
Amanda Nadeau	Labor	137.51	
Twin State Fertilizer.	Lime	109.66	
NH DES	Testing Pool	40.00	
WGSB	FICA	126.68	
Total			2,789.48
Cemeteries			1,500.00
Damages & Legal Expense			2,160.68
Contingency Fund			1,429.11
Revaluation Loan Payment			6,640.00
Lower Cohase			354.00
Woodsville 4 th of July			500.00
Miscellaneous Unclassified Expense	Taxes bought by town		33,895.41
Dump Well Monitoring			4,175.45
County Tax			76,469.00
School District			819,009

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT
Regular Account 2002 Highway Expenditures

Equipment:

C. M. Davidson, Inc.	68,993.85	
E. W. Sleeper	500.00	
Lee Waterhouse	607.50	
		\$70,101.35

Aggregates:

Martin's Quarry	501.10	
Pike Industries	393.80	
Granite State Minerals	2,440.82	
Warren Sand & Gravel	1,466.00	
Blaisdell	336.00	
		\$5,137.72

Incidentals:

Communications Services	153.25	
Arthur Whitcomb	429.00	
Kibby Equipment	925.68	
		\$1,507.93

Overhead:

Town Garage	2,363.15	
Fuel and Oil	2,935.99	
		\$5,299.14

Total Expenditures \$82,046.14

Accounts payable and Cash on hand 2001		\$8,409.35
Budget		\$75,000.00
Cash on Hand	\$1,368.21	

SUBSIDY ACCOUNT

Equipment:

C.M.Davidson, Inc.	40,004.50	
		\$40,004.50

Aggreates:

Martin	239.43	
Granite State Minerals	2,485.74	
Blaisdell	1,284.00	
David Lackie	1,360.00	
Pike	149.60	
		\$5,518.77

Overhead:

Town Garage	17.50	
Fuel & Oil	231.09	
		248.59

Total Expenditures	45,771.09
Budget	\$28,701.00
A/P & Cash on Hand	\$16,567.33
Cash on hand	\$502.76

ROAD AGENT REPORT 2002

The 2003 season will begin with project that was not completed in the 2002 season. This would be to pave aprons on most of the dirt roads. The schedule of the Contractor with the lowest quote ran out of time due to the early snowfall. Piermont is on the schedule as soon as weather conditions allow. While the paving contractor is in town we plan to pave wear course on one half of Lily Pond Road. With some minor cracking and heaving Lily Pond has held up very well. The wear course will smooth out the minor problems and also add life to the road in general. We also plan to "drag pave" some areas of Indian Pond and Church Street. "Drag Paving" is a process of laying a very small depth of pavement to temporarily smooth the riding surface.

The Bean Brook Bridge has been subject to frequent monitoring by myself. The conditions have somewhat stabilized and my feeling is that we can continue to build the Expendable Trust fund. The State Estimate is for a \$136,000 town contribution. After budgeting using town forces we would be near this amount. My feeling at this time is to continue monitoring and building the Trust Fund and if it starts to show more signs of failure we will act. I will still pursue other possibilities that might result in a cheaper project.

The design and budget process is well under way for Church Street. Although the possible upcoming sewer project shouldn't affect the scope of work, I believe it wise to let the sewer project develop into a scope of work before making any final decisions on the course of action for Church Street. We do plan to replace the concrete box near the Route 10 end of the road in the 2004 season.

A new cost to the town will be the purchase and delivery of winter sand. The sand that is adjacent to the old landfill is depleted, and if the winter continues the way it has started the sand that has been put up will also be gone. An estimate needed for a winter season is 3,000 cubic yards. To purchase and deliver, cost would be about \$7.00 per yard.

To complete the upcoming projects, to offset the sand purchase, I am requesting \$90,000 for the highway budget.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Davidson

PIERMONT SEWAGE DISTRICT

Financial Reports - 2002 Receipts:

Interest on checking & savings accounts		161.19	
Taxes & Interest Collected		22,280.47	
Transfer from Savings		<u>0.00</u>	
Total Receipts			22,441.66
Cash on Hand January 1,2002			5,969.64
Payments:			
John Metcalf	Labor	5,378.00	
Donald Smith	Labor	2,235.00	
WGSB	FICA Expense	582.40	
Woodard & Curran	Testing	3,156.39	
SPEX	Testing	169.41	
Boudreault	Pumping Tanks	700.00	
CVEC	Electricity	226.50	
Woodard & Curran	Evaluation Study	0.00	
John Metcalf & Donald Smith	Mileage	1,351.63	
John Metcalf & Donald Smith	Training	0.00	
Various	Maintenance	459.00	
Various	Operating Supplies	48.63	
Jean Daley	Bookkeeping	300.00	
Linda Lambert	Tax Collector	300.00	
Telephone		7.43	
Miscellaneous		233.50	
NHMBB	Note Payment	2,427.66	
Total Payments			17,575.55
Cash on Hand December 31, 2002-Checking account			11,158.76
Cash on Hand December 31, 2002-Savings account			10,444.54
Cash on Hand December 31, 2002-Certificate of Deposit			20,275.51

Sewage Department – 2003 Budget

Operation & Maintenance:	
Operating Supplies	900.00
Operator's Salary	6,500.00
Assistant Operator's Salary	2,800.00
FICA Expense	750.00
Waste Water Testing	4,800.00
Waste Water Testing Mileage	1,700.00
Evaluation Study-see note	10,300.00
Bookkeeping	300.00
Tax Collector	300.00
Electricity	350.00
Pumping Tanks	1,500.00
Mowing & Cleanup	500.00
Miscellaneous	<u>300.00</u>
Subtotal	31,000.00
Long Term Debt-NHMBB	2,287.00
Encumbered from 2002	-6,500.00
Transfer from CD for Evaluation Study	-5,000.00
Total Operation & Maintenance	21,787.00
Sewage Fees for 2003:	
Long Term Debt: 34 Units at \$67	2,278.00
Operation & Maintenance: 32.5 Units at \$600	19,500.00
Total Sewage Fees	21,778.00

**PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNUAL REPORT 2002**

In-House

2002 was a fiscally challenging year at the Piermont Library. We won a children's book grant and were the recipients of a windfall book donation from a local club. Our trustees staged three fundraisers, a Spring and a Fall book sale and a dramatic/musical production called Spoon River. Yet the amount of money needed to meet our estimated budget proved an elusive goal. We operated on an austerity budget from July onwards.

Despite these difficulties, we did our best to maintain our strengths as a small town library. We're here to help patrons find just the right book or piece of information, build a collection of materials responsive to this community's interests, bring in books from over 300 New Hampshire libraries through interlibrary loan, brainstorm and sponsor programs of interest to our community, and provide reading programs for Piermont's children.

We look forward to continuing and building our services in 2003.

2002 at the Library – Year in Review

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| January 18 | Program on the Connecticut River Birding Trail |
| February 5 | Connecticut River Antique Collectors' Klub designates PPL a 2002 recipient of new history materials |
| February 8 | Ben Gitchel teaches Italian Cooking for the Library |
| March 6 | Trustee Joe Medlicott leads a book discussion on <u>Montana 1958</u> |
| March 15 | Ben Gitchel teaches Indian Cooking for the Library |
| April 2 | The Library learns it has won a Libri Foundation Books for Children Grant |
| April 3 | Trustee Stephanie Gordon leads a book discussion on <u>Year of Wonders</u> |
| April 28 | "Looking Back in Time," a panel of "seasoned Piermonters discussing how it was," is co-sponsored by the Library and the Historical Society |
| May 27 | Spring Book and Tag Sale is held |

- June 2 Wildflower and Bird Walk is led by Sarah Schwaegler and Trustee Helga Mueller
- June 4 A CD collection (jazz, classical, world music) is inaugurated at the Library
- June through August Summer Reading Incentive Program, **Lions and Tigers and Books, Oh, My!**, is held and culminates in a 9/19 ice cream fest for participating students
- September 14 PPL sells books, videos, and cider at the Fall Foliage Festival, Haverhill Corner, NH
- October 18 Fundraiser Spoon River is held (all local cast and musicians)

THANK YOU

We're grateful to all those individuals who worked the desk, processed and shelved books, kept the card catalogue up-to-date, assisted with fundraising and storytime, and thought of the Library with book, video, audiobook, and CD donations. Thanks to all!

REMINDERS

The Piermont Public Library is open five days a week, Monday through Thursday 3-7 and Sunday 1-3. Thursday morning we open 10:30 –12 for storytime only. Our computer is available for public use Monday through Thursday 4:30-6:30 and Sunday 1-2:30. The Piermont Village School has school library at PPL from 9-3 on Wednesday and from 12-2 on Fridays whenever school is in session. If you are homebound and would like a book or video, home deliveries can be arranged. Call us!—272-4967.

CIRCULATION STATISTICS 2002

PPL	Adult Fiction	Non-fiction	Children's	Paperback	Magazines
	1693	1228	2688	250	384

PPL	Large Print	Audiobook	Videocassette	CD
	30	621	2765	82

PVS	Adult Fiction	Non-fiction	Children's	Paperback	Magazines
	63	508	1820	93	57

	Large Print	Audiobook	Videocassette	CD
	1	77	13	1

Totals:	Adult Fiction	1756	
	Non-fiction	1736	
	Children's	4508	
	Paperback	343	
	Magazines	441	
	CDs	83	*represents 7 months' circulation
	Videos	2778	
	Audiobooks	698	
	Large Print	31	

TOTAL CIRCULATION: 12,374

PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT

EXPENDITURES: JANUARY-DECEMBER 2001

LIBRARY EMPLOYEES:

Librarian	10,544.00
Assistant Librarians	3,796.00
Social Security and Medicare included above	0.00

LIBRARY SERVICES

Books	2,917.98
Magazines/Newspapers	340.00
Media/Tapes	474.73

PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

80.00

OFFICE EXPENSE:

Copier	38.96
Office	266.60
Computer	181.14
Postage/Petty Cash	148.00

EQUIPMENT:

Computer Equipment	82.67
Copier	115.00

MAINTENANCE:

Cleaning Service	1,500.00
Snow Removal	50.00
J M Landscaping	728.87
Jim Lambert	217.45
Miscellaneous	274.00

UTILITIES:

Electricity	1,184.87
Fuel Oil	507.62
Telephone	2,083.26

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Travel	461.12
Dues and Fees	10.00
Course Fees	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:

Box Rent	89.00
Advertising	

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

26,091.27

RECEIPTS

Memorial Gifts	184.46
Childrens Books	62.04
Book Fees	90.04
Copier Fees	12.20
Audio Tapes	89.45
Miscellaneous Donations	73.65
Book Sales	679.35
Raffle	142.00
Encumbered Funds Prior Year	4,588.15
Popular Subscriptions	317.80
Books	1,330.00
Tapes	64.45
Non-Fiction (McNaughton)	183.75
Libra Grant	62.50
Spoon River anthology	800.45
Use of Facilities	700.00
Bank Interest	19.82
Town Appropriation	20,000.00
Total Revenue	29,400.11
Cash on Hand December 31, 2002	3,308.84

PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY PROPOSED BUDGET 2003

LIBRARIAN	\$11,650
ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN	5,000
ACCOUNTANT	1,000
SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE	850
LIBRARY MATERIALS	5,150
OFFICE EXPENSES	1,350
MAINTENANCE	2,150
ELECTRICITY	1,200
FUEL OIL	875.00
TELEPHONE	2,150.00
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	850.00
MISCELLANEOUS	350.00
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	\$32,575.00

PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT 2002

Piermont now has a resident New Hampshire State Police Trooper, John Monahan, who is also my next-door neighbor. Having that S.P. Cruiser parked in his yard is both a comfort to me and a deterrent to would-be offenders who may pass by.

Speaking of offenders, one, involved in a Piermont burglary, is now living in Concord; at the state prison.

Other crimes remain unsolved; such as the Gould store fire and assorted burglaries; unsolved but not forgotten, they are still "open cases".

Sadly, there were two untimely deaths in 2002, and a two-car motor vehicle accident that claimed two lives. These are tragic to all concerned. All too often we knew the victims. At least, sometimes we can ease the immediate trauma to the families. We try.

As always, we thank the N.H. State Police, the Grafton County Sheriff's Dept., the Orford, Warren and Haverhill Police Departments for their continuing assistance.

William R. Deal
Piermont Police Department

2002 FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Good news-our membership is growing! We have 5 new members this year. They are Glen Putnam, Peter Pierce, Jeff Huntington and Ron Neal. Please welcome them on and thank them for serving their community. Of the five, four have been certified in SCBA, so they can enter a burning building. We now have ten firefighters who are certified to enter a burning building. Also, Calvin Ordway has completed his level one training and received a 94 on his written exam, the highest in the class. This took over six months of night classes and some weekends, for over 200 hours of training. Thank him for his time when you see him.

More good news-the person who stole our equipment is now in prison, but the courts didn't see fit to order any restitution for items not covered by insurance. So, we had to fund raising to offset this loss. The radio was over a \$900 item. Nor have we received an apology for his acts.

The fire pond on Cape Moonshine Road is now complete. Please thank the Baker's for the Easement of land and time and equipment for this project. Also, C. M. Davidson for close to \$2,000 in labor and equipment donation. I have applied for another Grant for this year's projects. I received word we would get a \$2,000 grant to fix Albert Hodsdon firepond and Robert Lutz firepond on Indian Pond Road. We have all permits in hand for these projects. Our water supply plan has been updated, thanks to another Grant I applied for. All sites are now listed with GPS numbers and any problems that they may need. We are also in the planning stage for a new pond on the end of Indian Pond Road, which would cover the Barton Road area and Route 25C.

For this year's budget we plan to replace more hose, a couple of new coats and small items like gloves, hoods, some more helmet lights. It now costs over \$1,500 to equipment one firefighter before any training starts. Training is also getting very expensive. Now a certified instructor gets \$20-\$25 per hour plus mileage. I have applied for monies to put on a OSHA required haz mat course. I received word the course will cost us nothing and will be held this March.

A sad note was the forestry grant promised to us by the State got caught up in the budget problems and they did not pay as promised.

This past year we were busy fund raising and maintaining the equipment and building. We gave \$5,000 towards the rescue refurbishing job. With the new members, we needed more pages and no money left in the budget, we bought them ourselves at a cost of a little over \$2,500. We also had to replace the radio that was stolen. This was almost \$1,000. We gave to the Christmas baskets for the church, Operation Santa Claus and other organizations in town. Total money given back to the town was close to \$10,000!

We had two variety shows and our annual auction and chicken barbeque, plus many raffles. We would like to thank everyone who supports our fund raising efforts and our budgets.

Another item is the new law about burning trash, that went into effect January 1, 2003. You can no longer burn trash in a barrel. First offense penalty is a \$100 fine, second

offense is \$200, and if the fire department is called you will have to pay for our response. A reminder, when the ground is not covered with snow, you need a permit to burn brush. If snow is on the ground, it is nice if you contact Hanover Dispatch at 603-353-4347 to let them know you are burning, so if someone sees smoke we don't get called out to investigate.

Phone outages – if the entire town is without phone service, the fire department is at the station standing by, so if there is a problem you can come to the fire station where we can contact the needed resources. If you know there is a phone outage, let someone know about it, as the telephone company does not always notify us so we can't respond.

If you have a problem, please call 9-1-1, even if you think it is a small item. Small items can turn into big ones in a very short time. If your carbon monoxide detector goes off, call 9-1-1 and get out! You can't see it or smell it, and it will kill you.

As always, we are still in need of more people. Come to a meeting, talk to a fireman. Our meetings are held the first Monday of every month at 7:30 PM at the fire station.

We responded to following calls this year:

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 3 Car Fire Calls | 3 Smoke investigations |
| 12 Mutual Aid Calls | 1 CO Detector |
| 1 Fire Alarm Activation | 1 Gas stove problem |
| 6 Motor Vehicle accidents | 2 Structure fires |
| 1 Fast Squad assist | 1 gas leak |
| 4 trees on wires, etc. | |

Total calls 35.

If you have any questions of your fire department, just ask!

Thank you.
Wayne Godfrey, Fire Chief

FAST SQUAD REPORT 2002

There were twenty eight emergency calls during the past year. As in other years, I would like to remind everyone that we're just a phone call away and are available 24 hours a day. If there is any question as to the need for medical assistance, please pick up the phone and dial 911. Help will be dispatched immediately.

The FAST squad is down to three members again. Ashley Clark moved from the area late last summer to pursue a career. Her cheery disposition will be missed. Ellen, Keith and myself will be renewing our certifications the year. For those unfamiliar with the EMT certification process; you are initially required to take a 120 hour training program and pass both a written and practical examination. Upon successful completion you will be certified at the EMT-Basic level for a period of two years. To re-certify after the two years have passed, you need to complete 48 hours of continuing education (available through VT and NH EMS conferences and other area training), attend a 24 hour refresher course, and pass another practical examine. Ellen and I are also certified in Vermont and are required to take a written examination as well as all the other requirements. I applaud everyone, past and present for the commitment they have made to the service.

As in past years, I would encourage you to purchase a subscription from Upper Valley Ambulance service. The cost is only \$ 30.00 and covers everyone in your household for one year. Subscription cards are available at the Town Clerk's office or at the Upper Valley Ambulance office in Fairlee. Please pick one up and read about the benefits, it's certainly worthwhile.

The FAST Squad needs more people. It is our desire to recruit at least one new member this year. Money has been budgeted for training so please come and talk to us if you are interested in joining the FAST squad. No amount of time is too small to be of assistance. We meet at the fire station, usually the last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M., or you may contact any squad member.

(Tom Elliott, Ellen Putnam, Keith Brick)

This year we are requesting \$ 1800.00 for our budget. This money will be used for training, equipment, and consumable supplies, such as oxygen, bandaging, etc.

Have a safe and healthy year.

Respectfully submitted
Tom Elliott
Captain, Piermont Fast Squad

PROPOSED FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2003

Telephone	500.00
Heat	1,350.00
Electricity	1,075.00
Gasoline	500.00
Payroll	5,000.00
Chief's Salary	1,000.00
FICA	415.00
Forestry	700.00
Twin State Mutual Aid	250.00
Hepatitis B Shots	1,260.00
Radio, Pagers, Supplies and Repairs	800.00
Truck Supplies and Repairs	1,800.00
Air Compresser	250.00
Training	1,000.00
Mileage	400.00
New Equipment	4,000.00
Testing Equipment	300.00
Fire Ponds	2,100.00
State Firefighters Association	200.00
Fast Squad	1,800.00
Total	24,700.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2002

Legal matters took up much of our time during the year. The owners of Camp Walt Whitman filed a suit against the Town protesting the Zoning Board of Adjustment's denial of their appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision that the Camp was not grandfathered for the expanded uses of the camp and that they were obligated to apply for a Special Exception. This case is expected to be heard by the Court sometime in early March.

Another legal matter concerned the North-South Road. The new owner of the abutting property has blocked access to the road by motor vehicles, ATV's and snow machines. As this is a discontinued road, the town has no obligation and can not legally spend any money on the road. The problem concerns a small section of the road that is probably not part of the original road and a bypass area that has been used for many years by people, trucks and ATV's. We have attempted to work out a solution with the land owner without success.

Another matter that took up a great deal of our time was due to a change in the method of assessing forestry land that is in current use. Every parcel had to be reassessed using the new State criteria, with input from the property owners.

On the bright side, the Board was successful in obtaining replicas of the original Boston Post Cane. The Historical Society presented the first one to Pauline Webster. It is presented to the oldest resident of town, who resides in Piermont, has lived in Piermont at least 20 years, and is a registered voter.

Thanks and appreciation is extended to Ben Elder, who has done a great job of organizing the Memorial Day Parade and activities and to Scott Jacob who has volunteered to carry on this year, as Ben is unable to continue. Scott is looking for assistance, so if you can help please call him. Or just stop in the Post Office, as he is our new Postmaster. Congratulations, Scott.

We also want to thank Michelle Metcalf for planting and caring for flowers in the Village area. She makes Piermont more beautiful. Thanks, Michelle!

Buildings are still a top priority of the Board. The fire department addition is almost completed. This was necessitated to meet the fire marshall's recommendations and handicapped accessibility. We have already replaced the furnace in the town/library building, fire station and installed a liner in the library chimney. This year we have to replace the furnace in the town garage, install a sprinkler and make some minor adjustments to the furnace in the Old Church Building, pave the front apron of the fire station and finish the back room of the Old Church Building so the Historical Society can start utilizing it. When these projects are completed, our buildings should be in excellent condition.

Respectfully,

Jean D. Daley, Chairman
Board of Selectmen



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
Piermont, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose 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 general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Piermont has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Piermont as of December 31, 2002, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Piermont taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Piermont. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

January 22, 2003

PIERMONT PLANNING BOARD 2002

Meetings of the Board are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. Members of the Board at year-end were:

Peter Labounty, Chairman	Suzanne Woodard
Robert R. Michenfelder, Vice Chairman	Kay Wescott
Fred Shipman	Thomas Stevens
Jean D.Daley, ex-officio	

At the April election of officers Peter Labounty was re-elected chairman and Robert R. Michenfelder was elected vice chairman. At year end there were no alternate members of the Board. Alternate members are urgently needed to fill in during the absence of regular members when a quorum is essential to vote on an application before the Board. Anyone interested in serving in this capacity please contact one of the selectmen.

The following actions were taken by the Board in 2002:

Piermont Master Plan - Work on developing the Community Facilities and Services Section for inclusion into the Master Plan is nearing completion. Sections on Conservation and Preservation and Utility and Public Service still remain to be formulated. Community members are invited to attend the meetings of the Board. By helping to develop these sections they can contribute their vision for the future of our town.

Flood Plain Ordinance - The Board is continuing its review of the Town's Flood Insurance Ordinance and looking into the feasibility of adopting the State's Flood Plain Development Ordinance. The State's ordinance would be easier to administer and enforce, since many unnecessary provisions will be removed which tend to complicate the existing 1990 ordinance. Once completed, the new Flood Plain Development ordinance will have to be approved by the voters at Town Meeting.

Amendment to Zoning Ordinance - The Board worked on amending the definition of "accessory structures" as presently defined in the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendment will be presented at a public hearing on January 15, 2003, and will be on the ballot for the 2003 Town Meeting.

Planning Board approvals granted in 2002 - The following applications were approved:

Gail Shipman Voluntary Merger of Lots 4 and 4A on Cape Moonshine Road, Tax Map U-2; Freeman and Winona Robie and Terry and Cheryl Robie/Ruth Sherrow-Sedgwick lot line adjustment on River Road, Tax Map R-20, Lots 12 and 14; and William Koch, Jr./Karen Aldrich lot line adjustment on Lake Armington, Tax Map R6, Lots 13 and 14.

Other Actions of the Board - At year end approval of an application by Evelyn Morrill for a 2-lot subdivision on River Road is still pending.

Peter Labounty, Chairman

PIERMONT CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Regular monthly meetings of the Commission are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. The members of the Commission are: Helga Mueller, chairman; David Ritchie, treasurer; Charles Grant; Ernest Hartley; Robert A. Michenfelder; Donald Smith; and Eric Underhill.

As of December 31, 2002, the town's Conservation Fund contains \$3,375.11, of which \$2,437.25 is in a Certificate of Deposit at the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank. The Underhill Canoe Site fund for the upkeep of the Underhill Canoe Campsite, also in a CD at the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank, contains \$3,281.11. At the 2002 Town Meeting, the voters approved the establishment of an Expendable Trust Fund for the maintenance of the Piermont Town Forest and Trails on Bedford Road and appropriated \$4,000 to be deposited in that fund. As of December 31, 2002, the fund contains \$4,012.

Piermont Town Forest and Trails - Developed by the Commission starting in 1997, the site is managed by the Commission for multiple use and to promote wildlife and forest stewardship. It features several trails including a Tree I.D. trail to test your knowledge of native trees; a trail leading to an abandoned sugar house; a trail overlooking our village and the mountains of Vermont; and a trail leading into an old-growth forest with trees over 100 years old. A new sign, created by Piermont artist Russ Priestley, has been affixed to the billboard along with many colorful posters with information on native wildlife and plants. Also this year, the Commission created a color-coded trail map for the property for use by Piermonters. The map is available at the site, at the Town Clerk's office and the library. Townspeople of all ages are encouraged to use the trails for outdoor activities, such as hiking, cross-country skiing, horseback riding, and snowmobiling.

Canoe Campsites - The Underhill Canoe Campsite and the Sarah Moore Canoe Access continue to be popular with the public. Both sites are maintained by the Commission and are open from May 1 to November 1.

Earth Day 2002 - In keeping with the Commission's vision of providing nature and forestry education to students of the Village School, we have worked together with the school on several environmental projects. To commemorate Earth Day 2002, students planted white and red pine seedlings at the site.

Other activities - One of our members, Don Smith, represented the Commission on the Water Quality Monitoring Committee, which was charged by the selectmen to develop a monitoring plan and cost estimate to monitor the water quality of Lake Tarleton, Lake Armington, and Lake Katherine.

During the year members attended meetings and a workshop on Wildlife Habitat Management. We also monitored logging activities and wetland projects in town.

The Commission applauds Bill Daley and Elizabeth Bayne who have donated a conservation easement on 5.25 acres of land with over 1000 frontage on the Connecticut River. The Daley's have previously donated conservation easements on two other parcels of land.

We are available to assist property owners with logging permits, wetland applications, information on beaver control, establishing conservation easements, or any other conservation concerns.

Helga Mueller, Chairman

PIERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The officers and directors of the Society in 2002 were: Joe Medlicott, president; Helga Mueller, vice president; Fred Shipman, treasurer; Anna Williams, corresponding secretary; Lloyd Hall, director of preservation; and Betty Hall, director-at-large.

The Society is not a tax-payer supported organization, but it relies wholly on yearly dues, fund-raisers, and donations from benefactors.

The tradition of awarding the Boston Post Cane to the town's oldest resident was revived in Piermont by the Board of Selectmen with the purchase of a replica of the original gold-headed ebony cane. In December, Joe Medlicott, president of the Society, presented the replica to 89-year-old Pauline Webster. Pauline, the widow of the late Ralph Webster, moved to Piermont from Connecticut in 1968. The cane bears the legend, "Presented by the Boston Post to the Oldest Citizen of Piermont." Piermont was one of hundreds of New England towns which in 1909 received a gold-headed ebony cane from the editor of the Boston Post, probably as a marketing ploy. Piermont's original cane was lost in the 1929 fire that destroyed Howard's store. The last known holder of the original cane was Josiah Lowell, great-grandfather of "Cy" Jesseman.

A very informative and well-attended program this year sponsored by the Society and the Library was the presentation of "Back in Time in Piermont." A panel of Piermont "old-timers," Bill Deal, Alfred Stevens, Bill Simpson, Ed French, Jean Putnam, and Marian Shields, reminisced and answered questions about the "good old days."

Artifacts donated to the Society included personal papers and copies of several 1940's issues of the United Opinion containing Piermont news items by Gerald Smith; a history of youth camps on Lake Armington by William Koch; and a collection of reflections on life in a small town, entitled "Adventures in a Small Town," written by the late Florence Robbins, donated by her daughter Marian Shields. ("Adventures in a Small Town" was published in the Northcountry News-Independent). The Society thanks these benefactors. We appreciate donations of artifacts and memorabilia which help the Society conserve Piermont's heritage in one location.

The Society receives requests for information on events or people from Piermont's past. Several requests were received and answered in 2002.

Our museum rooms are located above the library and may be visited by calling Lloyd Hall at 272-5858. We hope that we will be able to provide the townspeople with better access to our collection in the future. The renovation of the former kindergarten room in the Old Church Building, approved by the voters in 1999, is progressing. We hope to be able to use the room for temporary displays of some artifacts and memorabilia by late fall. This would make it more convenient for elderly residents and Village School students to learn about the cultural heritage of our town.

Our annual membership fees are \$5 per family, \$3 for individuals, and \$1 for students. Life memberships are \$50 per individual. Piermonters over 80 years of age are automatically made members and pay no dues. Donations to the Society are tax

deductible.

Dues are payable during January of every year and may be mailed to Fred Shipman, treasurer, Piermont Historical Society, P.O. Box 273, Piermont, N.H. 03779

I conclude with a plea for more active members and volunteers to help with our projects and activities. Please consider joining us in our effort to keep Piermont's past alive for our descendants. Contact any officer listed above if you would like to help in this endeavor.

Helga Mueller, Vice President

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2002

In 2002, there was just one case that came before the Board. Camp Group, Inc. dba Camp Walt Whitman, appealed an administrative decision of the Zoning Administrator. The Zoning Administrator's claim was that the Camp has exceeded, in numbers, scope and activities, what is permitted under its nonconforming use provisions of the Zoning Ordinance of 1971. Their appeal was heard at a public hearing on February 4th and continued to March 14th, at which times testimony was taken from the Camp and other interested parties. On April 11th the Board voted to uphold the Administrative Decision, thus denying the appeal.

The Camp subsequently requested a rehearing of the appeal and on May 28th the Board denied the request.

Since that time, the Camp has filed a lawsuit against the Town, claiming they are grandfathered and have not exceeded their "limits". The case is expected to come before the Grafton County Superior Court sometime in March or April, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Shipman, Chairman

TRANSFER AND RECYCLE REPORT - 2002

Well, not much has changed in 2002. Recycling income is still very low. We still are getting rid of our recycling items for free and pay just for trucking.

We gave the building a new coat of paint at no cost to the taxpayer and also built a roof over the free table in order to keep things dry. This cost came out of recycling fund monies taken in over the year.

In 2002 we recycled 95.88 ton, with a couple steel slips not yet received. It would be well over 100 tons. We had 115.83 tons of trash, which is a little below 2001 totals. We took in \$13,831.11 in bag sales and other fees. We spent \$13,067.31 for trash disposal. This does not include the cost of trash bags or labels and time putting the labels on the bags. So you can see we are pretty close on our price for a trash bag. We lost some money, but we are not in business to make money – just to cover our cost, which we are close to. We will have to raise the price next year to cover the increase in trash costs. Some places are now getting over \$2.50 per bag, and then you buy your own bag. I don't believe the increase will be a big one, depends on trash disposal cost and trucking costs. It costs \$110 per ton for trash and \$43 to recycling, so you can see it makes sense to recycle. There has been quite a savings over the last ten years since we started the program. We also collected \$1,464.04 from recycling sales, which was put into an Expendable Trust fund to help pay for building upkeep, improvements and repairs.

Thank you.

Wayne Godfrey, Manager

2002 TRANSFER & RECYCLE BUDGET

Waste Management of NH	13,500
Salary	8,500
FICA	695
Training	500
Electric	275
Recycle Hauler	5,700
Plastic Bags for recycling	400
State Recertification	150
Light Bulb and Battery Removal and Paint Recycling	700
Metal and Tire Removal	1,000
Maintain Burn Pit	300
Tipping Fee Recycling	400
Phone Calls	55
Haz Mat Day	725
Bags and Labels for PAYT	2,800
Maintenance on Compactor	300
Total	36,000
Income from Sale of Bags and other fees-estimate	14,000
Total Tax Money Needed	22,000

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 2002

The stock market values and returns have declined significantly. This has meant less income from our trust funds. Piermont funds are invested in low risk, and therefore, lower yield, investments, earning what is a reasonable income given current market conditions.

Our investment objective has been, and remains, to maximize income from investments that pose little or no risk of principal. The principal amount of a trust fund cannot be spent – only the income – while a capital reserve fund can be spent in whole or in part for the purchase of some specified item by vote at Town/School meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman
Bookkeeping Trustee

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES 2002

BURIALS

Cemetery Sexton Lou Hobbs has, since 1983, been responsible for arranging burials, lot layout and sales, marker placement and general customer service for the Piermont cemeteries. Again, a most sincere thanks to Lou for the great service (with little pay) year after year.

GROUNDS CARE

Many thanks to John Metcalf and his able crew for the fine job done in 2002 on cemetery spring clean-up, mowing, trimming, stone repair, liming and fertilizing and fall clean-up. Piermont's cemeteries are something we can all be proud of.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman,
Bookkeeping Trustee

TOWN EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Vehicular Equipment - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2002

Beginning Balance, 1/1/02	33,052.77
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income/Money Market Fund	455.10
Shares Sold (see note)	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/02	38,507.87

Note: \$28,000 was withdrawn from this Fund to rebuild the Rescue Truck but the check was not received until early January 2003, therefore, is not reflected in this account yet.

**TOWN FIRE/EMERGENCY SERVICES VEHICLES
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND**

For Fire and Emergency Service Vehicles-Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31, 2002

Beginning Balance, 1/1/02	20,601.59
Shares Purchased	10,000.00
Dividend Income/Money Market Fund	285.68
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/02	30,887.27

TOWN REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Revaluation of Town Properties - Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31, 2002

Beginning Balance 1/1/02	16,524.85
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	228.26
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/02	21,753.11

TOWN BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Capital Improvements - Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31, 2002

Beginning Balance, 1/1/02	37,759.38
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income	<u>519.69</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/02	43,279.07

TOWN BEAN BROOK BRIDGE EXPENDABLE TRUST

For the Repair and Maintenance of Break Brook Bridge - Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31, 2002

Beginning Balance, 1/1/02	41,203.10
Shares Purchased	20,000.00
Dividend Income	<u>571.36</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/02	61,774.46

TOWN BRIDGES EXPENDABLE TRUST

For the Repair and Maintenance of Town Bridges - Cash Equivalent Fund
December 31,2002

Beginning Balance 1/1/02	13,379.54
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	<u>185.13</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/02	18,564.67

TOWN RECYCLING/TRANSFER EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

December 31, 2002

Beginning Balance, 1/1/02	1568.65
Shares Purchased – See Note	0.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	<u>20.65</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/02	1,589.65

Note: Funds deposited to this account were credited in 2003. The amount cannot be determined until the end of year, as it comes from the annual recycling income.

TOWN BEDFORD LOT EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

Beginning Balance, 1/1/02	0.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	10.19
Shares Purchased – new fund 10/7/02	<u>4,000.00</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/02	4,010.19

HERBERT A. CLARK MEMORIAL TRUST FUND

For the Support of the Town

31-Dec-02

Name of Investment	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gain Reinvested	Total Shares Owned	Principal Amount Market Value or Year End Balance
Westar Energy**	1320.00	0.00	1,100.00	10,890.00
Liberty Utilities Fund	900.87	0.00	3,446.32	32,223.11
Fidelity Puritan Fund	2,695.00	0.00	5,390.03	85,108.61
Fidelity Fund	1,914.53	0.00	9,116.82	202,940.44
Phoenix Fund	331.58	0.00	748.45	3,487.76
George Putnam	1,472.82	0.00	2,577.28	38,143.70
Seligman Fund	661.66	0.00	13,233.44	112,351.91
Chesapeake/Potomac Telephone of VA.	281.26	0.00	1 5M Bond	5,016.40
Delaware Group	365.12	0.00	3,042.81	41,351.84
TOTALS	9,942.84	0.00		531,513.77

**Westar Energy, Inc. was formerly Western Resources

CEMETERY TRUST FUND
for the support of the cemeteries December 31, 2002

Name of Investment	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gain Reinvested	Total Shares Owned	Principal Amount Market Value or Year End Balance
Cemetery Care Fund				
Liberty Utilities Fund	421.03	0.00	1,610.67	15,059.74
Oklahoma Gas/Elec	593.69	0.00	452.00	7,955.20
Fidelity Puritan	2,812.13	0.00	5624.25	88,806.91
Woodsville Bank CD-704862	71.57	0.00		1,776.21
Due From Operating Acct				400.00
TOTAL	3,898.42	0.00		113,998.06
Cemetery Lots Fund				
Woodsville Bank CD-704863	252.82			6,433.06
Due from Operating Acct				150.00
TOTAL	252.82			6,583.06
Operating Account				
Woodsville Bank-23104015	37.52			4,370.68
Due Cemetery Care CD				400.00
Due Cemetery Lot CD				-150.00
TOTAL	37.52			4,920.68
GRAND TOTAL	4,188.76	0.00		125,501.80
Cemetery Payments				
		Amount		
Asa Metcalf		201.00		
John Metcalf		7,374.00		
Lou Hobbs		410.00		
JM Landscaping		80.00		
Twin State Fertilizer		110.23		
Fred Shipman		530.00		
Woodsville Guaranty Savings		21.00		
USPS		57.00		
		8,908.21		
Cemetery Receipts				
Town Appropriation		1,500.00		
Interest and Dividend Income		3,935.94		
Burial Fees, net after		<u>1,075.00</u>		
		6,769.33		
Cemetery Lot Sales				
Clay Hollow Cemetery		150.00		

ACCRETION OF CEMETERY FUND

DATE	NAME	GIVEN
2/14/00	Chandler, George	\$50.00
7/11/02	Fletcher, Mary	\$47.25
9/12/02	Simpson, Charles H.	\$100.00
11/3/02	Platte, James	\$100.00
9/12/07	Talmon, Emily	\$50.00
4/29/09	Quint, Hosea	\$50.00
11/10/10	Drown, Stephen	\$600.00
6/4/12	Mattoon, Mrs. E.O.	\$50.00
6/6/16	Hunt, Mary	\$100.00
10/1/16	Clark, Judson	\$50.00
4/1/18	Baldwin, Hattie	\$100.00
9/1/19	Spaulding, Pearl D.	\$108.65
10/1/19	Muchmore, Henry S.	\$108.65
11/22/22	Page, Charles and Fred	\$100.00
7/1/23	Lawrence, Ellen	\$100.00
10/19/23	Kimball, Catherine L.	\$100.00
3/7/24	Learned, Sarah	\$100.00
11/17/25	Butson, James and Luvia	\$100.00
12/1/25	Stickney, Emma	\$100.00
7/1/26	Chandler, George	\$50.00
9/29/26	Colby, Sarah Hammond	\$100.00
8/3/27	Sargent, Fay S.	\$100.00
3/28/28	Manson, Ardella L.	\$100.00
7/1/28	Mattoon, Mrs. E.O.	\$50.00
7/2/28	Webster, Ellen	\$100.00
11/14/28	Knight, Albert J.	\$310.00
4/25/29	Palmer, Chestina A.	\$200.00
10/1/31	Ranney, Gertie B.	\$100.00
11/1/31	Blaisdell, Kate M.	\$100.00
7/15/33	Swift, Elsie B.	\$100.00
9/30/33	Bickford, Elizabeth	\$100.00
7/1/35	Robie, Freeman A.	\$75.00
12/1/38	Underhill, Sarah A.	\$100.00
12/10/38	Emery, Mr. & Mrs. George	\$75.00
11/29/39	Carman, Newlett S.S.	\$100.00
7/1/40	Brown, William B.	\$100.00
1/29/42	Horton, William & Mary	\$100.00
8/9/43	Hill, Joseph	\$100.00
9/1/43	Underhill, Elizabeth	\$50.00
10/13/43	Clark, Judson	\$50.00
11/29/44	Libby, Alice G.	\$100.00
11/29/44	Mead, Alice G.	\$100.00
4/6/45	Gould, Aaron P.	\$100.00
12/20/45	Ford, Edward	\$100.00
6/1/46	Manchester, Beatrice	\$100.00

6/15/46	Dodge, George & Croydan	\$200.00
6/15/46	Cutting, David	\$100.00
10/30/47	Corliss, George	\$100.00
11/2/47	Mrs. Kennedy	\$50.00
9/4/48	Horton, Fred	\$100.00
11/15/48	Ranney, Orlene	\$50.00
11/28/49	Ames, Luella	\$85.00
11/28/49	Runnels, Arthur	\$85.00
1/2/51	Flint, Burton & Ella	\$1,000.00
11/14/52	Underhill, Stephen	\$100.00
3/29/54	Underhill, Leon	\$100.00
5/11/55	Gannett, Grace	\$50.00
5/11/55	Gannett, Grace	\$600.00
5/11/55	Gannett, Grace	\$5,000.00
8/20/55	Howard, Earle V.	\$100.00
5/29/56	LaMontagne, Claraence	\$100.00
6/13/56	Alessandrini, Simeone	\$100.00
12/25/56	Evans & Weeks	\$100.00
10/27/57	Striker, William	\$50.00
11/4/58	Robie, Lyman E.	\$100.00
2/3/59	Howard, Earle V.	\$100.00
11/25/59	Smith, George F.	\$100.00
4/13/60	Morey, Dwight	\$100.00
2/15/62	Piermont Grange	\$125.38
2/15/62	Drew, Harris	\$100.00
10/12/62	Gilbert, Ernest E.	\$50.00
8/8/63	Bedford, Arvilla	\$100.00
8/31/63	Perkins & Herrick	\$50.00
9/11/63	Delbar, Robinson & Simpson	\$100.00
9/21/63	Robinson, Fred C.	\$100.00
7/19/66	Davis, Mrs. Walter	\$50.00
11/17/66	Davis, Norman	\$100.00
12/22/66	Owen, Dr. Robert L.	\$100.00
4/17/67	Benson, Pauline Keyes	\$100.00
9/26/67	Deal, Eleanor D. & William R.	\$100.00
3/11/69	Jewell, Carrie J.	\$100.00
4/29/69	Hartley, E.D. & M.	\$100.00
9/2/69	Mellin, Kenneth & Marjorie	\$100.00
4/1/70	Burns, Mrs. Lester M. & Children	\$100.00
6/25/70	Robertson, Paul H.	\$100.00
8/31/70	Weeks, George W.	\$100.00
12/15/70	Swain, Earl C. & Lillian M.	\$100.00
3/25/71	French & Heath	\$100.00
5/24/71	Fellows, Charles	\$50.00
7/31/71	McDonald, Eben & Floyd	\$100.00
12/27/71	Drew, Ralph Harris, In Memory of	\$100.00
5/1/72	Clayburn, Eda P.	\$25.00
6/30/72	Fadden, Lois & Edward	\$100.00
7/25/72	Lee, Robert E. & Mildred	\$100.00

9/7/72	McLam, N. Gordon & Lurlene	\$100.00
9/15/72	Putnam, Gladys Emery	\$100.00
10/11/72	Benson, Pauline Keyes	\$100.00
3/3/73	Simpson, J. Ralph & Elsie M.	\$100.00
6/14/73	Mitchell, Edward & Helen	\$100.00
8/1/74	Keller, Mr. & Mrs. George, In Memory of Bertha Brooks	\$100.00
12/31/74	Heath, In Memory of Carrie Simpson	\$100.00
6/16/75	Ferine, Isabelle, In Memory of	\$100.00
7/14/75	Byron, Mr. & Mrs. Bernard	\$100.00
7/24/75	Mason, Anna, In Memory of Mrs. E.H. Sheldon	\$500.00
7/12/76	Hibbard, Lloyd C. & Eudora M.	\$100.00
11/4/76	Stetson, Clinton & Edna	\$100.00
1/17/77	Webster, Ralph & Pauline, In Memory of Hattie Webster	\$220.00
7/20/77	Burbeck, Christie G.	\$100.00
7/28/77	The Ritchie Family	\$100.00
11/28/77	McDonald, Floyd, In Memory of Alice McDonald	\$100.00
6/1/78	Robinson, Phillip	\$100.00
8/21/78	The William Daley Family	\$200.00
10/9/78	Gilbert, Ernest E. & Helen L.	\$50.00
12/30/78	Ingalls, Irene D. . Martin Day Lot	\$200.00
12/30/78	Ingalls, Irene D. . Ernest D. Day Lot	\$200.00
12/30/78	Day, Martin H. . Martin Day Lot	\$200.00
12/30/78	Day, Martin H. . Ernest D. Day Lot	\$200.00
7/7/79	The Henry I. Wilson Family	\$100.00
12/21/79	Underhill, Ernest S. & Nancy W.	\$100.00
7/24/80	Wilson, George H. & Annie	\$100.00
10/7/80	In Memory of Floyd F. Davis	\$1,000.00
7/11/81	Wilson, Charles E. & Beatrice	\$100.00
8/20/82	Miller, Marianna Metcalf	\$200.00
12/4/82	In Memory of William & Vera Weaver	\$100.00
12/27/82	Brewer, James T. & Alice A.	\$1,000.00
1/24/83	Ludman, Jennie H.	\$50.00
4/11/83	Ritchie, Helen & G. Fremont	\$100.00
4/29/83	Smith, Floyd L. & Pearle W.	\$100.00
5/27/83	Stetson, Dale, In Memory of Louis & Bessie Stetson	\$200.00
10/11/83	Mack, Walter & M.W.	\$100.00
11/21/83	Woodard, Russell & Suzanne	\$100.00
9/22/84	Mack, Delbert	\$100.00
1/31/85	Jackson, Paul & Ellen	\$100.00
7/5/85	Whitlock, George & Betty	\$100.00
8/29/85	In Memory of Eugene B. Robbins	\$100.00
7/17/86	Mitchell, Robert L.	\$100.00
5/25/87	Gardner, Harold, Sr. & Sophronia	\$100.00
11/18/87	The Alfred & Marion Musty Family	\$100.00
4/12/88	Hartley, Ernest W. & Nancy C.	\$100.00
10/11/89	Wardrop, John & Marjorie	\$100.00
10/8/90	Sheldon, Charles	\$500.00
11/8/90	Hare, Daniel	\$200.00
4/2/91	Owen, Winifred	\$100.00

8/8/91	Hill, Evril	\$100.00
8/19/91	Hare, Margaret	\$200.00
11/2/92	Brooks, Olin C. & Maxine F.	\$25.00
11/4/93	Cheney, Donald	\$200.00
4/26/94	Webster, Ralph A. Jr. & Pauline	\$500.00
9/21/94	Hall, Lloyd E. and Betty Lou	\$200.00
12/8/94	Cole, Archie and Pauline	\$150.00
8/7/95	Mueller, Myron & Helga	\$200.00
8/13/97	Stevens, Mary	\$100.00
1/12/99	Stevens, Alfred	100.00
11/21/99	Hogan, Austin	100.00
4/15/00	Halloran, Dennis & Mary	100.00
7/26/00	Jesseman, Stella	100.00
10/01/01	Robert H. Adams and George & Ida Hartwell	100.00
11/18/02	Robert R. Michenfelder	300.00
		\$26,689.93

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate and coordinate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ALL outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding areas) is completely covered with snow. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, plus suppression cost.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning (RSA 125-N). Contact New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and make sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at www.nhdfl.org or 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

2002 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported thru November 10, 2002)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	52	13.5
Carroll	80	10.5
Cheshire	39	17
Coos	3	2.5
Grafton	53	21
Hillsborough	108	54.5
Merrimack	94	13.5
Rockingham	60	25.5
Strafford	31	23
Sullivan	20	6

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson/Suspicious	43
Campfire	31
Children	32
Smoking	32
Rekindle of Permit	3
Illegal	7
Lightning	36
Misc *	356

(*Misc: powerlines, fireworks, railroad, ashes, debris, structures, equipment.)

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2002	540	187
2001	942	428
2000	516	149

VITAL STATISTICS FOR 2002

BIRTHS:

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER	MOTHER
01-13-2002	Brandon Willis Betz	Michael	Jennifer
02-14-2002	Jamie Lee Nelson	Daniel	Deborah
03-19-2002	Matthew Liam Monaghan	John	Susan

DEATHS:

DATE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE OF DEATH
01-16-2002	Alton Bud Cleveland	Haverhill, NH
02-04-2002	Sydney Ann Izzo	Piermont, NH
03-07-2002	Florence Search	Lebanon, NH
03-28-2002	Fred G. Carman	Keene, NH
04-30-2002	Rita Helen Labelle	Laconia, NH
06-15-2002	Jacob Adam Michenfelder	Piermont, NH
06-15-2002	Ethan D Thurston	Piermont, NH
06-24-2002	Bonnie M Harlow	Piermont, NH
07-22-2002	Glen Perkins	Rutland City, VT
08-12-2002	Barbara Anne Michenfelder	Woodsville, NH
12-06-2002	Pearl W. Smith	Haverhill, NH

MARRIAGES:

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE AT TIME
08-11-2001	Wayne Thompson	Piermont, NH
	Elizabeth Wescott	Piermont, NH
05-18-2002	Richard Paul Thibodeau	Piermont, NH
	Nancy Ann Marie Overton	Piermont, NH
05-25-2002	Paul Allen Cutting	Piermont, NH
	Cheryl Ann Page	Piermont, NH
06-01-2002	James Mark Cole Sr.	Piermont, NH
	Stacey Lynn Cramer	Piermont, NH
07-06-2002	Christopher Glen Pearl	Barnet, VT
	Gail Michel Lamarre	Piermont, NH
07-05-2002	Rolf Kroell	Germany
	Alexandra Ibenthal	Germany
07-26-2002	Thomas E Stevens	Piermont, NH
	Barbara A Eastman	Springfield, Vt
08-03-2002	Steven Allen Dube'	Woodsville, NH
	Rebecca Ruth Kohanski	Bradford, VT
10-26-2002	Jeffrey Scott Griswold	Piermont, NH
	Brenda Dorothy Clark	Piermont, NH
12-18-2002	Edward W French	Piermont, NH
	Nancy C Mason	Piermont, NH
12-24-2002	James Raper	Piermont, NH
	Dorothy N Harris	Piermont, NH

**REQUESTS
FOR
PARTICIPATION
AND
DONATION**



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January 10, 2003

Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Members of the Board:

It has been another very exciting year at Cottage Hospital. Over the past year we have seen growth in many areas of the hospital, including the successful installation of our new, state-of-the-art Spiral CT Scanner. Recruitment was high in 2002 and we welcomed eight new providers to our area.

Cottage Hospital obtained additional revenue by fully integrating its operations as a Critical Access Hospital, which, to a large extent, helped to change the hospital's position from a loss over the past two years to a positive bottom line for Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

At Cottage Hospital we are all very proud of the personal care that we are able to give to our patients. Time and time again, we hear about the outstanding care that patients and family members have received while with us.

We know our communities are supportive of our institution, and we are extremely grateful for the financial support that our area towns have provided over the years. Although funds are always needed and welcomed at Cottage Hospital, we know there are many worthy organizations also asking for money this year. Therefore, the Cottage Hospital Board of Trustees has decided NOT to ask the town of Piermont for financial support for the ninth consecutive year.

We thank you for your continued support and pledge to continue to do our best to provide you with the best healthcare possible.

We will appreciate your including this message in your 2002 Annual Report, and we will forward our 2002 Annual Report to you as soon as it is available. Best wishes for a healthy new year.

Sincerely,

Reginald J. Lavoie
Administrator

"A Critical Access Hospital"

HCR, INC.
Haverhill Community Resources, Inc.
121 Central Street
Woodsville, New Hampshire 03785
Telephone/Fax (603) 747-8108

January 13, 2003

Selectmen's Office
Town of Piermont
Piermont NH 03779

Re: Financial Support for Programs

Dear Select board Members

Haverhill Community Resources, Inc. is submitting letter of request for a financial contribution of \$300.00 on behalf of Haverhill Area Teen Program and Juvenile Diversion program to be included in the warning for Annual Town meeting.

In the past, contributions have aided the teen program and the Juvenile Diversion program with support for teens in Town of Haverhill and surrounding areas.

Any questions or information regarding our request please contact HCR at the above number. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely

Kay Baron
Kay Baron, Administrator
Haverhill Community Resources, Inc.

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Grafton County

Senior Citizens Council Inc.

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Lebanon, NH
03766-0433

phone: 603-448-4897
fax: 603-448-3906

www.gcsc.org
e-mail: gcsc@gcsc.org

November 5, 2002

Bristol Area Senior Services
P.O. Box 266
Bristol, NH 03222
744-8395

Horse Meadow Senior Center
91 Horse Meadow Road
N. Haverhill, NH 03774
787-2539

Linwood Area Senior Services
P.O. Box 461
Lincoln, NH 03251
745-4705

Littleton Area Senior Center
P.O. Box 98
Littleton, NH 03561
444-6050

Mascoma Area Senior Center
P.O. Box 210
Canaan, NH 03741
523-4333

Orford Area Senior Services
P.O. Box 98
Orford, NH 03777
353-9107

Plymouth Regional Senior Center
P.O. Box 478
Plymouth, NH 03264
536-1204

Upper Valley Senior Center
P.O. Box 433
Lebanon, NH 03766
448-4213

RSVP of Upper Valley & White Mts.
P.O. Box 433
Lebanon, NH 03766
448-1825

Jean Daley, Chair
Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
PO Box 67
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Ms. Daley:

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$1,175.00 from the Town of Piermont for fiscal year 2003. This represents a per capita amount of \$8.57 for each of the 137 Piermont residents aged 60 and older.

During FY 2002, 48 elders from your community received congregate or home delivered meals through Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc., used our transportation service, the services of our social worker or one or more of our other services designed to support the independence of older adults. GCSCC's cost to provide services for Piermont residents in 2002 was \$18,079.45.

Enclosed is a report detailing services provided to your community during 2002. Should you have questions or concerns about this report or our request, I would be most happy to meet with you to discuss our services in more detail.

We very much appreciate Piermont's support and look forward to serving older individuals in your community this coming year.

Sincerely,

Carol Dustin, ACSW
Executive Director

CWD/ps
Enclosure

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A United Way Agency providing services to older adults in Grafton County

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Piermont
October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 48 Piermont residents (out of 137 residents over 60, 2000 Census).

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	x	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	=	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	2,267	x	\$5.74	\$	13,012.58
Transportation	Trips	403	x	\$10.60	\$	4,271.80
Adult Day Service	Hours	0	x	\$3.27	\$	0.00
Social Services	Half-hours	43	x	\$18.49	\$	795.07

Number of Piermont volunteers 6. Number of Volunteer Hours: 671

GCSCC cost to provide services for Piermont residents only	\$	<u>18,079.45</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2002	\$	1,175.00
Received from Town of Piermont for 2002	\$	1,175.00
Request for Senior Services for 2003	\$	<u>1,175.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from Audit Report for October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002
2. Services were funded by: Federal and State programs 51%, Municipalities, Grants & Contracts, County and United Way 14.3%, Contributions 10.9%, In-Kind donations 16.2%, Other 2%, Friends of GCSCC 5.6%.

COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

From Audited Financial Statement for GCSCC
Fiscal Years 2001/2002

October 1 - September 30

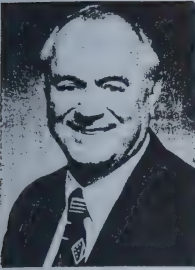
UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	FY 2001	FY 2002
Dining Room Meals	82,195	82,437
Home Delivered Meals	120,612	123,938
Transportation (Trips)	41,454	40,054
Adult Day Service (Hours)	9,538	13,842
Social Services (1/2 Hours)	11,379	12,176

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	FY 2001	FY 2002
Congregate/Home Delivered Meals	\$ 5.61	\$ 5.74
Transportation (Trips)	\$ 9.15	\$10.60
Adult Day Service	\$ 4.02	\$ 3.27
Social Services	\$20.00	\$18.49

For all units based on Audit Report, October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002



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*Executive Councilor
District One*

REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF COUNCIL DISTRICT ONE by

Raymond S. Burton
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State House
Concord, NH 03301

Telephone 603 271-3632

Email: rburton@gov.state.nh.us



Towns in Council District #1

CARROLL COUNTY:

Albany, Bartlett,
Chatham, Conway, Eaton,
Ettingham, Freedom, Hart's Loc.,
Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough,
Osage, Sandwich, Tamworth,
Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Wolfeboro.

GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath,
Benton, Bethlehem, Bridgewater,
Bristol, Campton, Canaan,
Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth,
Enfield, Franconia, Grafton,
Groton, Hanover, Haverhill,
Hebron, Holderness, Landaff,
Lebanon, Lincoln, Lisbon,
Livermore, Littleton, Lyman,
Lyme, Monroe, Orange, Oriard,
Piermont, Plymouth, Rumney,
Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren,
Waterville Valley, Wentworth,
Woodstock

BELKNAP COUNTY:

Alton, Belmont, Center Harbor,
Gifford, Laconia, Meredith,
New Hampton, Sanbornton, Tilton

COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clarksville,
Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton,
Dixville, Dummer, Errol,
Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster,
Milan, Millsfield, Northumberland,
Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne,
Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford,
Whitfield

SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish,
Croydon, Grantham, Newport
Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee

A new era is underway in the Executive Branch of your NH State Government, headed by Governor Craig Benson. I envision that his administration will be bringing new and innovative ideas of a modernized New Hampshire State Government, by utilizing tools of the new age of technology. This will bring enhanced services to the citizens and users of NH State Government. Through the many checks and balances of power at the State Capitol, Governor Benson will not go too slow or too fast.

I encourage citizens to contact Governor Benson and offer to serve on a Board or Commission. Each biennium more that 300 citizens are appointed to these public Boards. The address is: State House, 107 North Main St. Concord, NH 03301. The phone number is: 603 271-2121. A new administration is in Concord. Let's make very sure our region is a part of the Benson era of New Hampshire! For a listing of the Boards and Commissions under the authority of the Governor and Council, please visit the Secretary of State Web site at: <http://webster.state.nh.us/sos/> or call my office at 271-3632.

As Councilor, I will be conducting official tours with Commissioners and Directors of State Agencies all summer and fall of 2003. If you have a

special event or project you would like a certain agency to visit or focus on, please let me know.

As Councilor, I will be holding official summer 2003 hearings on proposed changes to the NH Ten Year Highway Plan. All Town, Counties and Cities will be notified of this schedule of public hearings in your region. Please utilize your regional Planning Commission as a starting point for your transportation ideas and concerns. For detailed information on the Ten Year Highway Plan visit the Department of Transportation web site:

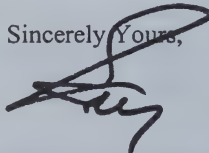
<http://webster.state.nh.us/dot/>

All citizens and public agencies should contact our NH Congressional Delegation and ask for more support from Washington, DC. New Hampshire ranks near the bottom of the list in monies returned back from the Federal budget.

For every dollar of taxation we send to Washington we get back ONLY 71 CENTS! Let's send many lists to Senators Gregg, and Sununu, and Congressmen Bass and Bradley and give them a chance to do better!

Please keep in touch with my office. I am at your service.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ray', written over the printed name 'Raymond S. Burton'.

Raymond S. Burton

Executive Councilor

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission
Annual Report for 2002

The UVLSRPC is a nonprofit, voluntary association of 30 communities in Vermont and New Hampshire. Our service area is based on clusters of communities united by a long history of employment, transportation and education connections, as well as by other issues of common concern. We serve the Upper Valley, Sullivan County, and the towns of the Lake Sunapee area. Each year we strive to focus on activities that will best meet the needs of each of these three areas, while we balance the differing concerns of larger and smaller communities. Your community's membership in UVLSRPC provides you with a voice in both regional and statewide decision-making that affects the future of your community.

We provide the communities of the region with a mechanism to work together toward balanced growth, in part by developing and implementing a comprehensive regional plan. In 2002, we began an update of the UVLSRPC Regional Plan, incorporating and responding to what we have learned from 2002 Census data and the Upper Valley Housing Needs Analysis. Among other activities, we:

- Worked with area organizations and businesses to increase awareness of the serious housing shortage in the Upper Valley, and worked with communities to address the problem.
- Helped several communities obtain grant funds for a variety of projects, including planning for economic development, protection of watersheds, wildlife habitat, scenic resources and agricultural land, and building visitor facilities and bikepaths.
- Continued work on the East-Central Vermont Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy in partnership with Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation to ensure business growth meets the needs of our communities; helped launch the Eastern Vermont Gateway Regional Marketing Organization to support tourism in the Upper Valley; explored a possible new partnership with the North Country Economic Development District for Grafton County communities, and provided guidance to the Sullivan County Economic Development Council on organizational issues.
- Assisted 11 communities with updates of their master plans and 10 with local land use regulations.
- Utilized special-purpose grants to develop a plan for Hartford's Route 5 South corridor that balances resource protection and industrial development goals; for Hartland's Three Corners area that improves the safety of the pedestrian and bicycle circulation; and for the areas surrounding Hartland's Interstate 91 interchange to maintain scenic vistas while facilitating appropriate development.
- Continued our assistance to watershed organizations planning for the stewardship of the Connecticut River and its tributaries, including the Mascoma River, Lull's Brook, Cold River and Sugar River.
- Organized four hazardous waste collections that gave 805 households a way to keep approximately 9,000 gallons of hazardous chemicals out of the region's groundwater.

- Completed hazard mitigation plans in Lebanon and Enfield, and arranged funding to complete six more in the coming year, as well as integrate those in the core Upper Valley communities; and began re-addressing in Claremont to improve emergency response.
- Participated in the review of several proposed developments with potential regional impacts including several telecommunications towers in our Connecticut River valley communities, the new visitors' center and Vermont Institute for Natural Science museum at Quechee Gorge, the expansion of the Mt. Sunapee ski area, and a proposed new boat ramp on Lake Sunapee.
- Collected traffic data in 20 communities, and mapped new roads in 14 communities to qualify for state aid for maintenance.
- Continued to work with public transit providers serving the area's residents, employees, and visitors to identify opportunities to improve service using currently available funds, and to prioritize needs for additional funding.
- Provided monthly circuit rider services to five communities to review subdivision and site plan applications for compliance with local regulations.
- Held 12 training sessions for local officials on land use regulations, natural resource protection, and the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Responded to day-to-day requests from local board members and staff for guidance on many issues, including: improvements for roads and intersections, unmaintained road policies, management of excavations, preservation of historic resources, future school enrollment projections, capital improvement programming and impact fees, interpretation of local land use regulations, hiring consultants, and planning and zoning board procedures.
- Continued to increase the ability of our geographic information system (GIS) to perform land use analysis and natural resource planning; provided GIS services to 21 communities and partner organizations.
- Maintained a library with the latest technical guidance, planning literature, and sample regulations; incorporated 2000 Census information into a new digital regional socioeconomic profile as it became available; and responded to numerous requests for information from local officials, businesses, and other area organizations.

We appreciate the high level of participation and support we receive from our communities, and look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the region in the coming years. We count on feedback from the Commissioners appointed by each community, and from local officials and residents, to ensure that our work program focuses on regional issues that are of the highest priority to you. Please feel free to contact us at (603) 448-1680 or info@uvlsrc.org to share your thoughts.



Tara E. Bamford
Executive Director



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November 29, 2002

Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Select Board:

Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, not-for-profit agency, which is requesting at your 2003 Town Meeting, \$850 in funding from the Town of Piermont to help support its Community Contact Division.

The following is a report of services provided in fiscal year 2001-2002.

In total, 62 citizens of Piermont received services. There were 28 service units for energy related programs, including 20 households for Fuel Assistance, 19 of which were approved, 10 of which were elderly or disabled. Individuals receiving Fuel Assistance in Piermont totaled 49. Weatherization for 1 household totaled \$2544. Food pantry recipients totaled 97. There were 16 health referrals, 15 on housing, 25 on income/budget, and 6 legal and educational referrals.

**TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION HAS SPENT \$10,056.66 ON
PIERMONT CITIZENS BETWEEN JULY 1, 2001 AND JUNE 30, 2002.**

Community Contact provides these and other necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in your town and surrounding vicinities. We are depending upon funding from your town and others county-wide. The local funds are combined with the Community Services Block Grant, Fuel Assistance and NH Emergency Shelter Grant, Homeless Programs and FEMA. We also are the conduit through which the USDA Surplus Food gets distributed to the emergency food pantries throughout Grafton County.

We sincerely appreciate the Town of Piermont's past support and look forward to continuing our partnership to provide essential services to your residents.

Very truly yours,

Daniel G. McGregor
Woodsville Community Contact Staff

WEATHERIZATION
752-7105

AMERICORPS
752-5780

ADMINISTRATION
752-7001

CT. DIVERSION-YTH. ALTERNATIVES
752-1872

COMMUNITY CONTACT
752-3248

R.S.V.P.
752-4103

FUEL ASSISTANCE
752-7100

PLANNING & ADMIN.
752-7165

LOWER COHASE REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HAVERHILL & PIERMONT, NH • BRADFORD & NEWBURY, VT

December 16, 2002

Town of Piermont

Dear Selectboard:



PO BOX 209
BRADFORD,
VERMONT
05033
802-222-5631

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Bill Bailey
Marie Bigelow
Tony Brainerd
Tim Copeland
Keith Darby
Jim Graham
Marvin Harrison
Anne Morrill
Richard Pollock
Peter Richards
George Schmid
Al Stevens
Karen Whalen
Lynn Wheeler

Each year the Chamber asks each of the four towns in the Lower Cohase Region, Newbury, Bradford, Haverhill and Piermont, to contribute \$.50 per capita to promote the region and to help run the regional web site, www.cohase.org. The web site has listings of local businesses, schools, government officers, events and much more. We are continually improving the site, and welcome comments, corrections or changes you may have. We especially need to have people and organizations send in events for the calendar, which can be done by e-mail or by using the simple form on the site.

In addition to the web site, the Chamber helped start the Lower Cohase Farmers Market in Woodsville and brought high speed, broadband Internet access to Bradford. We are working on ways to promote tourism in the region, and have published a full color, 17 x 22" illustrated map of the area. Bert Dodson, a well-known local artist whose work has been featured in such publications as *Vermont Life*, prepared the basic map, which includes symbols for local libraries, schools, boat launches, picnic areas and swimming areas.

In order to continue the work the Chamber has started, we are asking each of the four towns to contribute \$.50 per capita again for 2003. We welcome your comments and suggestions for things the Chamber can do to help the area, and encourage you to become involved in Chamber activities and meetings.

The Chamber has contracted with the Bradford Area Workforce Investment Board (BWIB) to provide staffing and office services for the Chamber. Please contact Al Stevens, BWIB Executive Director, at the address below for further information.

Sincerely,

James Graham, President
Lower Cohase Regional Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 209, Bradford, VT 05033

WWW.COHAASE.ORG • 1-866-LCOHAASE

2002 REPORT OF UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION—GRAFTON COUNTY OFFICE

UNH Cooperative Extension provides New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Funded through the federal, state and county governments, and competitive grants, UNH Cooperative Extension educational programs are designed to respond to the local needs of citizens through direction and support of an elected volunteer advisory council. Each of the state's ten counties supports an Extension office.

Extension Advisory Council: Members include: W. Michael Dannehy, Woodsville; Jim Kinder, Haverhill; Alyssa Lucas, Woodsville; Tosona Melanson, Dorchester; Cindy Putnam, Piermont; Debby Robie, Bath; Ilse Scheller, Wentworth; Dave Thompson, Lincoln; Susan Tomasetti, Littleton; and Michael Townsend, Lebanon. The Advisory Council meets every other month.

Education programs and assistance are objective, informal and practical in nature; most are at no direct cost for participants. Clients' needs are met through phone calls, letters and printed materials, hands-on workshops, on site visits, conferences and web sites. Media outlets help us reach one of every three county residents. Our staff is able to respond quickly with needed information via electronic mail, keep up-to-date on the latest research and information, and work collaboratively with many agencies and organizations.

Extension Staff: Tom Buob, Agricultural Resources; Ginny DiFrancesco, Water Quality; Kathleen Jablonski, 4-H Youth Development; Michal Lunak, Dairy Specialist; Deborah Maes, Family & Community Development; Northam Parr, Forest & Wildlife Resources; Robin Peters, Nutrition Connections; and Jacqueline Poulton, LEAP program. Educators are supported by Donna Mitton, Kristina Vaughan and Sharon Youngman.

New or enhanced efforts during FY01 (October 2001 through September 2002) include:

- 'Nutrition Connections' programs enrolled 164 low-income family members in programs to modify diet and food preparation, skills and behavior and improve nutritional health. 'Nutrition Connections' collaborated with and marketed programs through over 60 agencies, health clinics, schools, welfare offices and shelters.
- 4-H Leader Training for volunteers were held in gardening, public speaking, and water resources education. There are 102 active leaders in 4-H, including 16 new volunteers. 470 County youth participated in 4-H activities. There are currently 32 active clubs. Three Grafton Co. 4-H'ers received college scholarships/awards from local funds established for that purpose.
- Food safety certification programs were held in 8 communities, for food handling staff of nursing homes, schools, hospitals, senior centers and restaurants. About 70 participants passed the National SERVSAFE exam as a result. A Community Profile was held in Canaan. Land Conservation and Protection Workshops were held in Sugar Hill and Rumney.
- The LEAP program (Lifeskills for Employment, Achievement and Purpose) successfully 'graduated' eleven participants; seven have obtained full-time employment, three have earned GEDs, two have completed CNA training, and six have enrolled their children in State Licensed Child Care.
- Thirty-eight Farm-Family participants completed Ag-Business courses in North Haverhill, a cooperative program with UVM that improves financial planning, accounting and management. More than 100 producers attended a West Lebanon conference on Dairy Management Practices with a focus on financial management and profitability. Also in West Lebanon, the New England Dairy Feed Conference focused on forage production and management.
- Current Use tax program information and assistance-including revised Forestland Stewardship criteria – was provided to communities, assessing officials and landowners through public meetings and direct consultation, to help keep this open-space incentive strong. Extension referrals to private sector licensed foresters resulted in new management plans on 15,000 acres, erosion control on 10 miles of roads and trails, and improved timber harvesting practices. The 15th Annual Grafton County Conservation Field Days at the County Farm taught 150 5th graders and their teachers about soils, water, wildlife, farm animals, forestry and gardening, just before black fly season!
- Grant-funded research projects included phosphorous and nitrogen application guidelines and vegetative buffer utility to protect water quality and farm profitability.

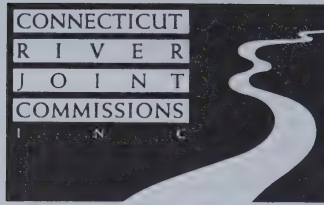
UNH Grafton County Cooperative Extension Office Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

Phone: 603-787-6944 **Fax:** 603-787-2009 **Email:** cc.grafton@unh.edu

Mailing Address: 3785 DCH, Box 8, N. Haverhill, NH 03774-4936

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Respectfully submitted,
Northam D Parr, County Office Administrator



ANNUAL REPORT - 2002
Upper Valley River Subcommittee
Connecticut River Joint Commissions

This year, the Subcommittee sponsored a well-attended public meeting to share the results of a study of river sediments and fish tissue in our region, by the EPA and the states of Vermont and New Hampshire.

We have distributed boating guides to the river and a new map and guide for the Connecticut River Byway, a regional economic development project focusing on the river, natural resources, recreation, farming, history, culture, and local products. Copies of both of these free publications are available at the visitor center in White River Junction.

We have continued to carry out our legal obligation to provide information and assistance to the states, towns, and local landowners on projects near the river, advising the State of New Hampshire on applications for riverbank stabilization and dock projects in Hanover and Orford, and providing planting recommendations for the Orford/Fairlee bridge project. We commented on a draft of the new land use chapter of Lebanon's master plan and a draft shoreland protection ordinance for Hanover. We are closely following an experimental riverbank restoration project on a farm in Fairlee, and provided the Connecticut River Flood Control Commission with advice on revised floodplain maps.

The Upper Valley River Subcommittee is advisory and has no regulatory authority. Citizens interested in representing the Town should contact the Selectmen. The public is welcome at our meetings at the Lyme Town Office on the third Monday of every other month. Visit www.crjc.org/localaction.htm for more information, including advice on bank erosion, riparian buffers, and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, a meeting calendar, and the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*.

Charles Grant and Hal Covert, Piermont representatives
Robert Ritchie, Connecticut River Commissioner



ANNUAL REPORT 2002 CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

This year the Connecticut River Joint Commissions have looked at issues as wide-ranging as management of wild trout in the river's headwaters to recreational trails on abandoned rail lines. Appointed by the legislatures of New Hampshire and Vermont to guide growth and development in the watershed, the CRJC are advisory and have no regulatory powers, preferring instead to ensure greater public involvement in decisions that affect the river and its valley.

This year we hosted public presentations by the states and EPA on a major study of contamination in the river's sediments. Following up on widespread public concern for riverbank erosion, we have restored two priority sites identified by our technical team and the county conservation districts on the mainstem. A third will be completed next summer. We have assisted the Army Corps of Engineers with a reconnaissance of other major erosion sites.

With the support of the four US Senators from NH and VT, we were able to provide \$145,000 in Partnership Program grants for locally-inspired projects, including grants for citizen water quality monitoring on Mill Brook in VT and the Ashuelot River in NH, a bi-state Milk Marketing Study Group, and the Connecticut River Birding Trail guide.

We continue to work to bring the attention of federal and state agencies to the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, to give local people new influence in the decisions of their government when it comes to their river. For example, our local subcommittees called for better local protection of shoreland, valley farms, and floodplains. We encourage towns to adopt the *River Plan* into their town's master plan.

CRJC supports efforts to safeguard natural, agricultural, and historic assets of the valley, and are working with businesses and the states to strengthen the local base for tourism through visitor centers in ten "waypoint communities" along the Connecticut River Byway. This year we created exhibits for each of them, and provided staff and coordination for the Byway effort. Visit the Byway at www.ctrivertravel.net.

Our five local river subcommittees are an active voice for river issues in their regions. We welcome the public to our meetings on the last Monday of each month. Visit our web site at www.crjc.org for a calendar of meetings, useful information and links, or see our newsletter, *River Valley News*.

WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH
and
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Town of Piermont

The past year has been one of unprecedented demand on the mental health system, both locally and nationally. It does not require any special training in behavioral health to recognize the increased incidence of anxiety, depression and substance abuse in our communities. Most people reading this report will be easily able to identify the impact of these issues on their own lives. These symptoms often go untreated and lead to marital problems, impaired job performance, emotional and physical abuse of children and even suicide. This is a time of pervasive concern about the stability of the world, personal economic and job stability and the general safety of our environment. Children, especially, are often unable to understand and manage these feelings, and are therefore especially vulnerable.

With this as a backdrop, it is distressing to report to you that White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services is less able to meet the demands of the average person in our community than we were at this time last year. Shrinking reimbursements and increasing costs have meant that we are having increased difficulty in recruiting, retaining and adequately compensating staff to provide needed services. We struggle daily with many more referrals for care than we can manage. It is ironic that mental health services are not seen as a priority by society, in spite of the escalation of personal and societal distress. This is clearly an era of crisis for our system of care.

There *is* some good news! We continue to work very hard to maintain *quality*, and we are succeeding. Our mental health staff is highly trained, well respected and extremely dedicated. We continue to prioritize services to children, and our efforts as lead agency for the CARE-NH federal grant has meant that children continue to come home from costly out-of-district placements to live with their families. We can also be proud of the fact that people who receive our services report overwhelmingly that our intervention in their lives made a positive difference. Our agency placed first in the State in "key performance indicators" of effective mental health treatment. Our developmental service program, *Common Ground*, has become a model for the State and has developed a national reputation for innovative and effective supports to persons with developmental disabilities. *Common Ground* was recently awarded a nationally competitive grant from the University of Montana to implement self directed business and career development for individuals with severe and multiple disabilities. There is much to celebrate, even in this difficult time.

This year is a particularly appropriate time to thank you, our neighbors, for your support over the past thirty years. Contributions from the communities we serve are absolutely essential in allowing us to provide the support and treatment that is so crucial in this "post September 11" world. During 2002, 9 Piermont residents received 30.5 hours of mental health services from our agency. Thank you for making this possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane C. MacKay, Area Director

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL BOARD
of the
PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
for the
FISCAL YEAR
July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

ORGANIZATION OF PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD

Lisa Knapton, CHAIR
Glen Meder
Vernon Jones

Term Expires 2003
Term Expires 2004
Term Expires 2005

MODERATOR

Arnold Shields

CLERK

Michelle Oakes

HEALTH OFFICER

Alex Medicott

TREASURER

Michelle Oakes

AUDITORS

Plodzick & Sanderson

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Paul C. Moccia
Dr. Howard R. Goodrow, Interim

2001-2002 STAFF

Amos Kornfeld - Principal/Grades 7 & 8
Belinda Smith - Kindergarten
Brenda Bianchi - Grades 1-2
Rebecca French - Grades 3-4
Nancy Sandell - Grades 5-6
Rebecca Bailey – Music/Social Studies
Paul Munn - Math
Paula Poirier - Art Education
Belinda Smith – Title One
Lynn MacDonald - Special Education Teacher
Cameron Prest - Physical Education/Health Education
Pam Hartley - Instructional Assistant
Ben Gitchel - Instructional Assistant
Kimberly French – Guidance
Kathleen Martin – Teacher of the Deaf
Moira Debois – School Psychologist
Suzanne Rutchick – Speech/Language Assistant
Maureen Byrne - Librarian
Kathy Barth - School Nurse
Cindy Jackson - School Secretary
Ron Hartley – Custodian
Linda Lea – Lunch Director
Tammy Collins - School Lunch

**Piermont School District
Minutes
School District Meeting
March 19, 2002**

Moderator S. Arnold Shields called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were citizens of Piermont, School Board members Lisa Knapton and Glen Meder, Superintendent of Schools, Paul C. Moccia and Piermont Village School Principal, Amos Kornfeld. Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Moderator. Moderator introduced the School Board and the Administration to the public. Moderator, Arnold Shields, announced that Cathy Miles Grant and Stephanie Gordon would be vote counters this evening if needed. Votes would be voice, show of hands or division of the house.

Newly elected School Board member Vernon Jones was introduced and sworn in by the Moderator.

Motion was made by Fred Shipman to dispense with the reading of the warrant articles; motion was seconded by Dean Osgood, no discussion. Passed by voice vote.

Moderator Arnold Shields swore in the following newly elected members.

Moderator	S. Arnold Shields
School Clerk	Linda Lambert
Treasurer	Fred Shipman
School Board Member	Vernon Jones

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Motion by Jean Daley to pass over Article 1, seconded by Don Smith, no discussion. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This article is exclusive of any other article on this warrant. (The school board recommends: \$1,200,676.00)

The motion was made by Helga Mueller and seconded by Fred Shipman. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion concerning the article. Jean Daley asked if the ballot clerks received payment for their service. In response to the

question, it was noted that ballot clerks are paid \$10.00. It was noted that some individuals in the audience who had served as ballot clerks in the past had never received any monies for this service. Pat Amsden stated that Section 218 requires that a claim be submitted to the IRS, regardless of the amount. Bernadette Ratel asked for clarification on the increase of 10 paid days for the school secretary. Lisa Knapton replied that the secretary was essentially working 10 days in the summer without pay.

Bernadette Ratel also asked if someone had been hired for the halftime assistant. It was noted that someone had been hired for this position. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established Special Education Expendable Trust, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2002. (The school board recommends this article.)

The motion was made by Suzanne Woodard and seconded by Dean Osgood. No discussion. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established Building Maintenance Expendable Trust, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2002. (The school board recommends this article.)

The motion was made by Jean Daley and seconded by Arnold Smith. No discussion. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established School Building Capital Reserve Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2002. (The school board recommends this article.)

The motion was made by Dean Osgood and seconded by Helga Mueller. No discussion. Article passed by voice vote.

Article 6: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand

dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established Technology Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2002. (The school board recommends this article.)

The motion was made by Helga Mueller and seconded by Jean Daley. The Moderator asked if there was any more discussion. Helga Mueller asked what the funds were used for. Glen Meder replied that the funds are mainly used for computers but may be used to upgrade computer related systems in the future. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the school district will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as the tuition trust fund, for the purpose of maintaining student tuition costs. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) towards this purpose and to name the school board as agents to expend from this fund. And further, to authorize the transfer of that amount from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2002. (The school board recommends this article.)

The motion was made by Fred Shipman and seconded by Arnold Smith. The Moderator asked if there was any more discussion. Jean Daley asked if the Tuition Trust Fund would be set up as an Expendable Trust Fund. The response was that, yes, the Tuition Trust Fund would be set up as an Expendable Trust Fund. Vicki Latona asked if the Tuition Trust Fund would be used for private schools as well. It was noted that private schools would also be included under the Tuition Trust Fund. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 8: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Helga Mueller replied that she felt that at some point in the future there should be some compensation for extra travel time involved on the part of the school board members.

At 7:55 p.m. Russell Woodard motioned to adjourn, seconded by Dean Osgood. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Karlyce Rogers
Recording Secretary

ELECTION RESULTS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
MARCH 12, 2002
TOWN OF PIERMONT

Polls opened March 12, 2002 at 10:00 AM in the Old Church Building and remained opened until 6:30 PM for voting by Official Ballot on Article One thru Four. There were 170 voters that voted during the day.

Article 1: Moderator	S. Arnold Shields	Term one year
Article 2: School Clerk	Linda Lambert	Term one year
Article 3: Treasurer	Fred Shipman	Term one year
Article 4: School Board Member	Vernon Jones	Term three years

Results of voting was announced by Moderator S. Arnold Shields at the Town meeting held that night at the School. All members elected will be sworn in at a later date when recount time has expired.

There being no School Clerk for this year 2001-2002, I am submitting this report as Town Clerk overseeing the elections for Town and School officials for the year 2002.

Duly submitted,
Linda Lambert, Town Clerk

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton,
State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Old Church Building in said district
on the 11th day of March 2003, polls to be open for election of officers at
10:00 o'clock in the morning and to close not earlier than 6:30 o'clock in
the evening.

- ARTICLE 1: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Moderator for the ensuing
year.
- ARTICLE 2: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a School District Clerk for the
ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 3: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Treasurer for the ensuing
year.
- ARTICLE 4: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, one School Board Member for
a term of three years expiring in 2006.

Given under our hands at said Piermont this ___ day of _____, 2003.

Lisa Knapton, Chairperson

Glen Meder

Vernon Jones

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Piermont Village School in Piermont on the 18th day of March 2003, action on the Articles in this Warrant to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

- ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
- ARTICLE 2: To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This article is exclusive of any other article on this warrant. (The school board recommends: \$1,254,933.00)
- ARTICLE 3: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established Special Education Expendable Trust, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2003. (The school board does not recommend this article.)
- ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established Building Maintenance Expendable Trust, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2003. (The school board does not recommend this article.)
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ARTICLE 7: To see if the voters will agree to re-institute annual compensation for School Board Members based on a stipend of \$1000 per year per member, and to appropriate the funds necessary for this purpose. This will take effect with members elected at the election of March 11, 2003, and remain in effect until such time that the voters desire a change. (This is a petition article)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the district will vote in accordance with Chapter 101 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated as amended, to exclude from Social Security and Medicare coverage the services performed by election workers for a calendar year in which the remuneration paid for such services is less than twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) effective the calendar year beginning January 1, 2003. (The school board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 9: Whereas NH School Districts face ever tightening budgets; and Whereas NH School Districts are finding it increasingly difficult to raise and appropriate sufficient dollars on the local level to provide their students a quality education; and Whereas newly enacted and existing federal mandates have placed an undue and heavy financial burden on local school district budgets;

Be It Therefore Resolved: That the voters of the District vigorously oppose any and all unfunded and under-funded federal educational mandates, including but not limited to, those contained in the recently enacted No Child Left Behind Law as well as those mandates historically unfunded within the IDEA/Special Education Laws.

ARTICLE 10: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Piermont this ____ day of _____, 2003.

Lisa Knapton, Chairperson

Glen Meder

Vernon Jones

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Another year has come and gone and another superintendent has left. The SAU Board has selected Mr. Bruce Labs, the current Woodsville High School Principal, to take on the leadership role for the SAU as of July 1, 2003. Mr. Labs has been a teacher, coach, assistant principal, and principal in this district for the past twenty-five years and has done an excellent job. He, his wife and daughters are residents of the district, living in Piermont. We expect great things from him in his new position and know that he will bring stability and a strong work ethic to the job.

The nationwide teacher shortage is affecting this district as well, especially in the critical shortage areas (there are 28) now listed by the NH Department of Education. This situation reminds me of the late 50's and early 60's when the same situation existed. Young people today are graduating from college and finding positions that pay more than teaching with fewer headaches. The same is true about school administrators. As I write this report, this year in New Hampshire alone there are eighteen openings for superintendents.

As we proceed this year we are looking at frozen budgets, many times driven by mandated special education costs that are out of our hands. Contact your legislators for relief from some of these laws and ask them to get the Federal Government to follow through on what they promised 20 years ago - to fund 45% of the special education costs mandated instead of the 7% they now fund. Legislators could also help by capping the costs of health insurance for the districts. It has been done in other states, why not here in NH?

Starting later this year, we will be offering two graduate programs for the SAU staff and those of nearby districts, one by Lesley University and the other by Southern NH University. These programs will give the staff the opportunity to obtain advanced degrees without having to travel all over the state to take the courses.

As we spend money on special needs students we sometimes tend to forget those who are gifted. We have started working toward a program that will address the gifted students' needs as cost effectively as possible.

As we look forward to the next school year, the new Superintendent, Mr. Labs, will bring a focus to the district, and as "the engineer" will drive our train forward. We are a school system on the move and your input as parents and members of the community is important - so get on board!

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to assist you this year. I wish you all the very best for your students as the district moves forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Howard R. Goodrow
Interim Superintendent

PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT

It is my pleasure to submit the 2002 school report. I took over the administrative duties in July, as Interim Principal, so my report will focus mostly on activities from that point. Although, I wish to highlight the Greek unit that was done school wide last spring, with activities from pottery making, to market day, to a school wide play. This is an example of a school wide collaboration, which extended to the thematic unit on flight this fall. Again, all students participated in an "Up, Up & Away Day", which transformed our school into an international airport, with educational activities at various stations and we ended the day with a presentation on the history of aviation by Tom Wahle of Techsploration, which was sponsored by the PTA. Students also did presentations at an assembly on their area of focus during the aviation unit and we concluded the unit with an Adventure Day, which included a paper airplane contest.

The first day of school saw eighty-six students enter through our doors and a number of changes in staff members, which made the start of the year a transition for many and a busy time for all. In addition to everyone being in the Flight Unit, new teachers to the school were involved in a professional development course, "Research For Better Teaching", which ended in early December. All staff participated in various professional development activities throughout SAU 23 in late August. As of this writing, we are preparing for professional development activities on Everyday Math and the writing process for our January in-service day.

The students have been involved in a number of classroom activities as well as a school-wide hike up Black Mountain, pumpkin carving, fund raising, preparing for our Veterans' Day/Thanksgiving Day Program and lunch, and collecting items for the food shelf. The seventh and eighth graders have done additional fund raising for their biennial trip to Washington D.C.

Program wise, we are fortunate this year to continue with the ELF (Environmental Learning for the Future) program, which is an outreach program of the Vermont Institute of Natural Science. It is a hands-on natural science program administered by trained volunteers. We thank our volunteers for their services.

We have added instrumental music to our schedule. We presently have eight students taking advantage of this program, which is held on Mondays. Our math program continues to be divided into grade level sessions, with a teacher at each grade level.

Besides Mr. Wahle's presentation, noted above, the students are scheduled to have a performance by Story Teller Becky Garber, with follow up classroom sessions and a Jazz Performance at the Hopkins Center.

This year we split the large first/second grade class of twenty-six students into two classes. This, along with the instrumental program and the individual math classes, has created a space issue in the facility. There will continue to be a need to locate space for the added enrollment, which is ninety-one, as of this

writing, as well as for providing new services and programs. I see this as a pressing need, which will require immediate attention from the Board, administration and the citizens of Piermont. When it is not a day that the itinerant Music or Physical Education teacher is scheduled to be at Piermont, a Math class is held in the gym and at times instrumental music must move from the gym to the lobby. These space issues make it difficult to provide the best possible learning environment for your students.

I have enjoyed my position here and believe the Piermont Village School has an excellent staff and a lot of community involvement in providing great educational programs and activities for the students. On behalf of the students, I thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell W. Collins, Interim Principal

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Honor Roll Third Marking Period 2001-2002

Grade Six

Ian Cleaves
Jonathan Cook *
Katie Fields
Brendan Grant *
Drew Jones *
Sarah Priestley
Faith Putnam
Keith Ratel *

Grade Seven

Adam Hill *
Shannon Labs *
Jonathan Oakes *

Grade Eight

Jeremy Daly *
Mallory Gafas *
John Garrigan *
Nicole Latona *
Matt Musty *

*Indicates students who were on the honor roll all three marking periods.

In order to be named to the honor roll a student must be in grades five through eight and receive A's and B's in all subject areas, social adjustment and work habits.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Nora Batchelder
Sheena Morgan
Kristen Pushee
Carrie Putnam

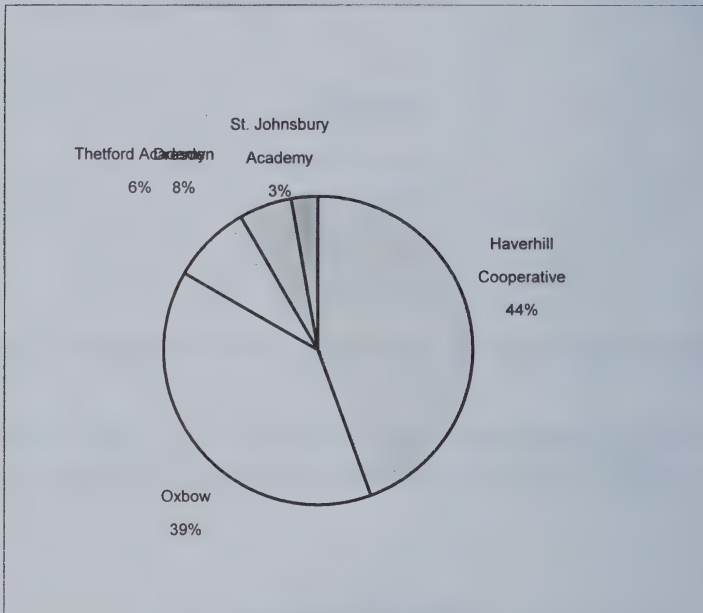
PERFECT ATTENDANCE 2001-2002 Academic Year

Merry Noyes
Sarah Priestley

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENTS TUITIONED TO OTHER DISTRICTS
(as of December 2002)**

Haverhill Cooperative	16
Oxbow	14
Dresden	3
Thetford Academy	2
St. Johnsbury Academy	1
TOTAL TUITION STUDENTS	36

Note: 2 of the above students attend River Bend half time



**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
For The
Fiscal Year July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002**

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 2001:	\$ 53,467.66
Add 2001-02 receipts	1,211,273.99
Less 2000-01 School Board orders	(1,064,212.48)
Balance on hand June 30, 2002:	\$ 147,061.51

(Ending balance includes money market accounts)

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
2003	40,000	24,300	64,300
2004	40,000	21,600	61,600
2005	40,000	18,900	58,900
2006	40,000	16,200	56,200
2007	40,000	13,500	53,500
2008	40,000	10,800	50,800
2009	40,000	8,100	48,100
2010	40,000	5,400	45,400
2011	40,000	2,700	42,700
TOTALS	360,000	121,500	481,500

Audit Report

The Piermont School District has been audited by the Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Association. Copies of the audit are available for public review at the Superintendent's Office at the James R. Morrill Municipal Building, North Haverhill, NH.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2001-02

Beginning Balance 7/1/01		\$10,205.75
Scholarships Awarded		(\$540.00)
Interest Earned		
Woodsville Guaranty		
Savings Bank CD 704846	462.50	
Woodsville Guaranty		
Savings Bank PB 30879	13.83	
TOTAL	\$476.33	\$476.33
 New Fund Donations:		
In memory of Lewis Vegthe		\$95.00
Ending Balance, 6/30/02		\$10,237.08

SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION EMERGENCY EXPENDABLE TRUST 2001-02

Beginning Balance, 7/1/01	28,087.20
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	657.57
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 6/30/02	\$33,744.77

SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 2001-02

Beginning Balance, 7/1/01	32,732.95
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	752.97
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 6/30/02	\$38,485.92

SCHOOL BUILDING EMERGENCY REPAIRS EXPENDABLE TRUST 2001-02

Beginning Balance, 7/1/01	28,087.20
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	657.57
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 6/30/02	\$33,744.77

SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY EXPENDABLE TRUST 2001-02

Beginning Balance, 7/1/01	00.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	80.70
Shares Purchased * New Fund 8/01/01	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 6/30/02	\$5,080.70

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET SUMMARY 2003-2004

<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER / DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRIOR YEAR EXPENSES</u>	<u>2002-2003 BUDGET</u>	<u>2003-2004 BUDGET</u>	<u>2002-2003 vs 2003-2004 BUDGET</u>
FUND 01 GENERAL FUND				
110 PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	234,397.17	282,869	350,206	67,337
111 ADMINISTRATIVE SALARY	892.50	600	755	155
112 SUPPORT STAFF SALARIES	45,612.46	49,846	93,000	43,154
113 SUMMER SCHOOL SALARIES	773.86	700	1,700	1,000
120 SUBSTITUTES Increase of \$5/day + usage	4,412.15	2,300	4,810	2,510
122 CO-CURRICULAR SALARIES	400.00	1,700	1,700	-
211 HEALTH INS	24,281.96	43,898	39,563	(4,335)
213 LIFE INSURANCE	157.56	197	246	49
214 DISABILITY INSURANCE	758.49	922	1,243	321
220 FICA	21,245.68	24,225	34,572	10,347
231 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	1,216.21	1,003	4,576	3,573
232 PROFESSIONAL RETIREMENT	5,703.09	7,118	10,363	3,245
240 TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	3,159.00	9,000	9,700	700
250 UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	-	253	316	63
260 WORKERS' COMP	690.00	2,960	983	(1,977)
290 ANNUITIES	2,275.00	1,300	3,575	2,275
310 SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES	42,454.00	43,657	48,155	4,498
320 PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SERVIC	25,196.99	52,003	34,612	(17,391)
330 OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	16,280.93	23,060	23,224	164
340 TEST SCORING	167.75	250	250	-
411 WATER & SEWAGE	4,347.60	5,000	4,500	(500)
421 RUBBISH REMOVAL	1,152.00	1,350	1,350	-

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET SUMMARY 2003-2004

<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER / DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRIOR YEAR EXPENSES</u>	<u>2002-2003 BUDGET</u>	<u>2003-2004 BUDGET</u>	<u>2002-2003 vs 2003-2004 BUDGET</u>
422 SNOW REMOVAL	480.00	1,500	1,500	-
423 CLEANING SERVICES	11,246.04	-	-	-
430 CONTRACTED REPAIRS/MAINT.	19,641.22	5,200	6,400	1,200
432 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	2,630.57	2,300	2,495	195
440 RENTALS	928.00	1,250	1,650	400
490 SECURITY	1,000.00	350	550	200
510 STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	37,762.55	41,164	41,386	222
520 PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE	4,343.00	3,900	3,800	(100)
531 TELEPHONE	2,688.76	2,628	2,628	-
532 DATA COMMUNICATIONS	2,881.23	2,820	2,820	-
534 POSTAGE	802.98	1,285	1,135	(150)
540 ADVERTISING	4,974.06	1,075	975	(100)
550 PRINTING	1,006.75	1,250	1,250	-
561 TUITION/IN-STATE LEA	140,212.00	163,302	213,636	50,334
562 TUITION/OUT-STATE LEA	168,297.17	177,449	116,411	(61,038)
564 TUITION/PRIVATE	62,208.00	64,345	600	(63,745)
580 TRAVEL, LODGING, FOOD	729.78	575	775	200
610 SUPPLIES	10,633.68	12,131	13,586	1,455
622 ELECTRICITY	9,504.90	9,800	9,800	-
623 PROPANE	7,134.72	8,700	8,000	(700)
640 BOOKS & PRINTED MATERIAL	9,212.89	6,849	8,615	1,766
650 SOFTWARE	792.33	853	700	(153)
733 ADDITIONAL FURNITURE	322.97	600	1,050	450

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<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER / DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRIOR YEAR EXPENSES</u>	<u>2002-2003 BUDGET</u>	<u>2003-2004 BUDGET</u>	<u>2002-2003 vs 2003-2004 BUDGET</u>
734 ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	2,120.38	2,100	2,745	645
737 REPLACEMENT FURNITURE	-	-	3,000	3,000
738 REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	876.33	550	350	(200)
810 DUES/FEES	4,179.81	4,187	4,145	(42)
830 BOND INTEREST	27,000.00	24,300	21,600	(2,700)
890 MISC.	25.00	100	100	-
910 PRINCIPAL	40,000.00	40,000	40,000	-
930 FUND TRANSFERS	9,454.03	62,500	10,012	(52,488)
TOTALS- FUND 01 GENERAL FUND	1,018,663.55	1,197,274	1,191,113	(6,161)
TOTALS- FUND 02 GRANTS	15,271.15	24,667	30,796	6,129
TOTALS- FUND 04 FOOD SERVICE	30,119	28,735	33,024	4,289
GRAND TOTALS	1,064,053.44	1,250,676	1,254,933	4,257

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES

FUND 1		2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004		Tax
		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>REVISED</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>+ or -</u>	<u>Impact</u>
770	Beginning Fund Balance	29,395	91,885	35,000	(56,885)	1.28
	<u>1000 Revenue From Local Sources</u>					
1121	Current Appropriation	520,589	454,600	547,747	93,147	
1311	Tuition from Pupil & Parents	-	-	-	-	
1312	Tuition from Other LEA's	-	-	-	-	
1510	Interest on Investments	1,081	1,600	1,000	(600)	
1511	Trust Fund Interest	1,832	1,300	1,300	-	
1910	Rentals	-	-	-	-	
1980	Refund from prior year	2,048	-	-	-	
1990	Miscellaneous	80	2,500	2,500	-	
	<u>3000 Revenues From State Sources</u>					
3111	State Adequacy Grant	225,399	255,157	271,876	16,719	
3112	State Adequacy Tax	274,420	251,503	281,836	30,333	
3210	School Building Aid	12,000	12,000	12,000	-	
3230	Catastrophic Aid	34,544	36,165	16,500	(19,665)	
3241	Vocational Tuition	37,125	24,453	7,365	(17,088)	
3242	Transportation	428	285	142	(143)	
					Total State	
	<u>4000 Revenues From Federal Sources</u>					
4580	Medicaid	2,594	14,500	14,500	-	
4810	National Forest Reserve	1,461	1,326	1,461	135	
TOTAL FUND 1 REVENUES		1,113,601	1,055,389	1,158,227	102,838	
FUND 2 GRANTS						
4521	Title One	9,291	15,609	17,033	1,424	
4536	Title Two	4,401	7,203	13,763	6,560	
4536	Other	1,579	1,855	-	(1,855)	
TOTAL FUND 2		15,271	24,667	30,796	6,129	
FUND 4 FOOD SERVICE						
1600	Food Service Sales	13,339	13,000	13,500	500	
3260	State Reimbursement	.392	340	400	60	
4460	Federal Reimbursement	6,934	6,700	7,000	300	
5221	Transfer from General Fund*	9,454	8,695	10,010	1,315	
TOTAL FUND 4		30,119	28,735	30,910	2,175	
	Transfer to Trusts	20,000	50,000			
TOTAL		1,208,387	1,250,676	1,254,933	4,257	
		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>		
		<u>2001-2002</u>	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>		
	Local Education Tax	\$11.77	\$10.20	\$12.30	44,548	= \$1.00
	State Education Tax	\$6.45	\$5.87	\$6.58	42,833	= \$1.00
	TOTAL	\$18.22	\$16.07	\$18.88		
	Difference		(\$2.15)	\$2.81		
	Net tax increase over 2 years			\$0.66		

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS
PREVIOUS TWO FISCAL YEARS PER RSA 32:11-a**

	<u>2000-2001</u>	<u>2001-2002</u>
<u>Special Education Expenses</u>		
1200 Special Programs	139,637.97	121,790.30
1430 Summer School	2,127.66	963.03
2140 Psychological Services*	527.40	-
2150 Speech and Audiology	14,625.02	5,720.08
2159 Speech - Summer School	200.00	347.13
2162 Physical Therapy	3,650.00	1,025.00
2163 Occupational Therapy	4,265.00	3,825.00
2722 Special Transportation	2,220.00	3,700.00
Total Special Education Expenses	167,253.05	137,370.54

Special Education Revenue

1990 IDEA funds from SAU for Inst. Asst.	-	-
3110 Adequacy Funding SPED portion	73,623.00	62,776.00
3240 Catastrophic Aid	27,054.00	34,543.65
4580 Medicaid	9,192.00	2,594.45
Total Special Education Revenue	109,869.00	99,914.10

IDEA Entitlement Grant Funds

Part A - Preschool	523.00	523.00
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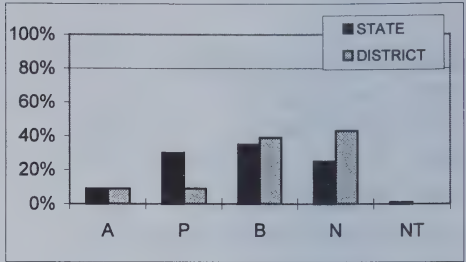
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Part B - Special Education	12,461.00	13,556.00
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(Combined to provide SAU-wide psychological services paid for through SAU 23)

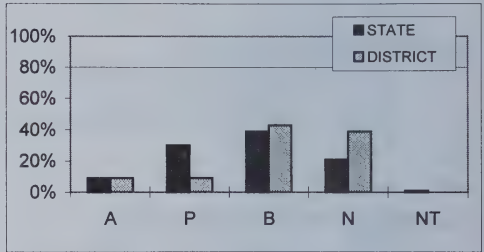
PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
THIRD GRADE STATE ASSESSMENT SCORES
Cumulative 3 yr. Average
Language Arts

		STATE	DISTRICT
Advanced	A	9%	9%
Proficient	P	30%	9%
Basic	B	35%	39%
Novice	N	25%	43%
Not Tested	NT	1%	0%



Mathematics

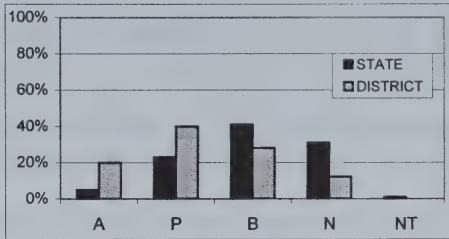
		STATE	DISTRICT
Advanced	A	9%	9%
Proficient	P	30%	9%
Basic	B	39%	43%
Novice	N	21%	39%
Not Tested	NT	1%	0%



This provides aggregated results for the three most recent years of testing (2000, 2001, 2002).

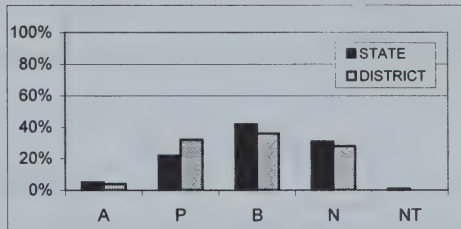
**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SIXTH GRADE STATE ASSESSMENT SCORES
Cumulative 3 yr. Average
Language Arts**

		STATE	DISTRICT
Advanced	A	5%	20%
Proficient	P	23%	40%
Basic	B	41%	28%
Novice	N	31%	12%
Not Tested	NT	1%	0%



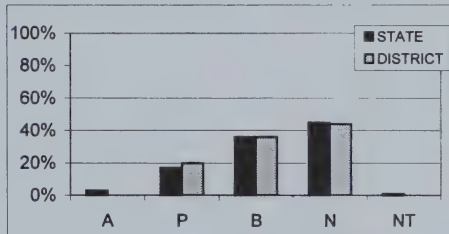
Mathematics

		STATE	DISTRICT
Advanced	A	5%	4%
Proficient	P	22%	32%
Basic	B	42%	36%
Novice	N	31%	28%
Not Tested	NT	1%	0%



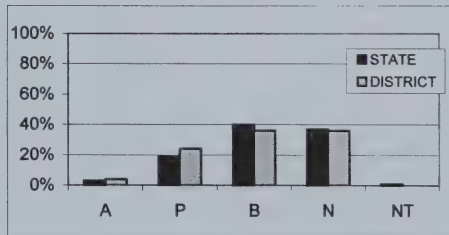
Science

		STATE	DISTRICT
Advanced	A	3%	0%
Proficient	P	17%	20%
Basic	B	36%	36%
Novice	N	45%	44%
Not Tested	NT	1%	0%



Social Studies

		STATE	DISTRICT
Advanced	A	3%	4%
Proficient	P	19%	24%
Basic	B	40%	36%
Novice	N	37%	36%
Not Tested	NT	1%	0%



This provides aggregated results for the three most recent years of testing (2000, 2001, 2002).

**School Administrative Unit #23
Report of the Superintendent's and
Business Administrator's Salaries**

One half of the School Administrative Unit expenses are prorated among the school districts on the basis of adjusted valuation. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the schools for the previous school year ending June 30. The part-time Interim Superintendent of SAU #23, during the 2002-2003 school year, will receive a salary of \$52,000.

There is no Assistant Superintendent or Business Administrator position at SAU #23 at this time.

The table below shows the pro-ration of the salary to each school district:

Superintendent Salary		
Bath	\$5,793	11.14%
Benton	\$1,030	1.98%
Haverhill Cooperative	\$34,830	66.98%
Piermont	\$5,080	9.77%
Warren	\$5,267	10.13%
TOTAL	\$52,000.00	

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 BUDGET

PROJECTED REVENUES

2003 - 2004

LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN ASSESSMENT

1336	Tuition - French Pond	\$182,825
1337	Tuition -French Pond Summer School	\$8,400
1951	Itinerants	\$112,771
1510	Interest	\$800
1952	Speech/ Language	\$107,916
5000	Indirect Costs from SAU IDEA Grant	\$3,197
	Use of Fund Balance	<u>\$20,000</u>
	Total Other Revenue Fund I	\$435,909
1111	DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS	\$445,877
	TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUES FUND 1	\$881,786
	TOTAL GRANTS FUND 2	<u>192,611</u>
	TOTAL SAU BUDGET INCLUDING GRANTS	\$1,074,397

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 BUDGET SUMMARY 2003-2004

ACCOUNT NUMBER / DESCRIPTION	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004
	ACTUAL EXPENSES	YEAR BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET
1100 ITINERANT TEACHERS	69,925	75,860	94,668
1230 FRENCH POND PROGRAM	155,356	174,121	171,607
1435 FRENCH POND SUMMER SCHOOL	6,530	6,755	6,884
2120 ITINERANT GUIDANCE	17,835	18,740	18,103
2150 SPEECH/LANGUAGE	77,157	94,432	102,088
2159 SPEECH SUMMER SCHOOL	2,650	2,992	5,828
2213 STAFF TRAINING	235	-	-
2311 SCHOOL BOARD	1,361	1,485	1,485
2313 DISTRICT TREASURER	2,311	2,438	2,434
2317 AUDIT	2,750	2,750	3,045
2318 LEGAL COUNSEL	1,548	500	500
2321 OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	287,521	309,046	320,705
2330 SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMIN.	104,209	107,169	121,090
2540 SAU-WIDE PUBLIC RELATIONS	3,005	3,100	2,400
2620 BUILDING RENT	20,200	20,000	20,000
2640 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE & INS.	9,975	9,412	8,737
2820 NETWORK	1,215	1,200	1,212
2832 RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING	1,792	500	1,000
TOTAL FUND 1 PROPOSED BUDGET	765,575	830,500	881,786
GRANTS - IDEA AND PRESCHOOL	165,637	145,000	192,611
TOTAL SAU BUDGET	931,212	975,500	1,074,397
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT COSTS	426,673	446,851	445,877
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