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TOWN OF DURHAM

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Special Recognition

Durham resident Richard Dewing a.k.a. "Dick the Doer" was recognized as one of eleven people by the New Hampshire Municipal Association as a municipal volunteer in 1996. This award is given to people who have contributed their time and services to local government. The criteria for selection was commitment to the

town based on impact to the community, hours of service, organizational abilities, creativity and innovativeness, the direction of particular projects or programs, and positive reflection on the spirit of volunteerism in community self-government.

Currently the chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee, Mr. Dewing has served on the committee for several years. Each spring he is involved in planting flowers and bushes at traffic islands throughout Durham. Many of these bushes are grown and donated to the town by Mr. Dewing. The landscape at Wagon Hill Farm sports some of these bushes. Mr. Dewing has also devoted many hours to improving the trails and fixing the barn and buildings at Wagon Hill Farm. The Doe Farm has also received the "Dewing touch," as can be



Richard Dewing
Volunteer

seen on the trails and at the parking area.

When Durham needs a helping hand, Mr. Dewing is a ready volunteer: he hides Easter eggs at Old Town Landing Park; he served on the Lamprey River Advisory Committee when the river was designated wild and scenic by an Act of Congress; and he gave many hours to the clean-up and rebuilding efforts when the weight of snow

brought down the roof at the Jackson Landing Ice Skating Rink last year.

When not working on recreational benefits for the community, you can find Mr. Dewing working at the Durham Historical Society Building. As president of the Historical Society, he is coordinating the Durham oral history project with the compilation of facts from older residents for future generations.

Mr. Dewing is a 1953 graduate of UNH and continues to be involved with the school. Each fall he is a member of the striped shirt "Chain Gang" at UNH home football games. He is also secretary of the UNH 100 Club which gives athletic scholarships. A retired Air Force Lt. Colonel, Mr. Dewing moved his family to Durham in the late 1960's. Since retiring in 1973, he has done much to make Durham a good place to live. ☐

New Faces '96



Mark Tetreault, Fire Inspector
Hired 10/21/96



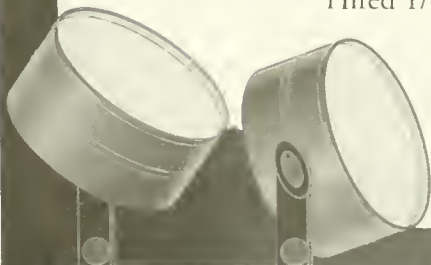
**Richard Hunsberger, Zoning & Code
Enforcement Officer, Hired 9/8/96**



David Kurz, Police Chief
Hired 1/8/96



Laurence Shaffer, Town Administrator
Hired 4/1/96



Honorable Mentions

At the March 13, 1996 Informational Town Meeting, several Town staff were recognized for their services to the community. We would like to take this opportunity again to thank these individuals for the important contributions they have made.

EMPLOYEE TENURE CERTIFICATES

Brian Beers - 25 years
Guy S. Hodgdon - 20 years
Thomas F. Richardson - 20 years
William Davis - 15 years
Kathie Lopez - 10 years
Francis Rawson - 10 years

EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATES

Front line members of Durham's snowplowing team: Brian S. Beers, Charlton R. Dill, Phillips Brooks, James Currie, Ronald M. Douglas, Terry B. Edison, Paul J. Halpin, Michael Howcroft, Raymond Laroche, Sr., Raymond Laroche, Jr. and Raymond Osborne

Sheryl Hoisington for coordinating the 1995 holiday food and gift drive

Kathie Lopez for earning her Certificate in Governmental Accounting from the New Hampshire Government Finance Officers Association

Jennie Berry for her work in the preparation of the 1995 annual Town Report

David Burns for earning Firefighter of the Year for 1995

Thomas Richardson for earning Fire Officer of the Year for 1995

Joseph McGann for his performance as Interim Police Chief

Robert Houseman for his contributions toward the successful completion of the Durham Community Development Plan

COUNCIL MEMBER RECOGNITIONS

Patricia Cline for her service as a Town Council member from 1993-1996

Scott Hovey for his service as a Town Council member from 1990-1996

W. Arthur Grant for his service as a Town Council member from 1990-1996

Councilor Arthur Grant was presented with a resolution and a sign renaming Johnson Creek Road to "W. Arthur Grant Circle"

CITIZEN RECOGNITION

Margery Milne was presented with the third annual Conservation Commission Award for her outstanding achievements as Durham's Keeper of the Swans

Town Landing at highest flood water level, October 1996. (photo courtesy Michael D. Golding)



Officers, Boards & Committees

As of December 31, 1996

| OFFICIAL/BOARD | ADDRESS | PHONE | TERM | TERM EXPIRES | APPT AUTH. |
|---|-----------------------|----------|-------|--------------|------------|
| ELECTED OFFICIALS | | | | | |
| Durham Town Council | | | | | |
| William J. Healy, Jr., (Chair) | 6 Woodridge Rd. | 868-5595 | 3 Yrs | 3/97 | Elected |
| George Rief, (Chair Pro Tem) | 23 Edgly Garrison Rd. | 868-2551 | 3 Yrs | 3/98 | Elected |
| John Aber | 4 Sumac Lane | 868-2818 | 3 Yrs | 3/97 | Elected |
| Bruce Bragdon | 7 Colony Cove Rd. | 868-5435 | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Elected |
| Dale L. "Pete" Chinburg <i>(Replaced Ralph Bristol who resigned 10/96)</i> | 32 Woodridge Rd. | 868-2381 | 3 Yrs | 3/98 | Appointed |
| VACANT <i>(Frank L. Pilar resigned 12/96)</i> | | | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Elected |
| Walter Rous | 64 Adams Point Rd. | 868-7030 | 3 Yrs | 3/98 | Elected |
| Patricia Samuels | 207 Pack. Falls Rd. | 659-2671 | 3 Yrs | 3/97 | Elected |
| Edward Valena | Durham Point Rd. | 868-2174 | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Elected |
| Moderator | | | | | |
| Michael H. Everngam | 49 Emerson Rd. | 868-5765 | 2 Yrs | 3/98 | Elected |
| Shirley Thompson (Asst. Moderator) | Bagdad Rd. | 868-5138 | 2 Yrs | 3/98 | Appointed |
| Supervisors of the Checklist | | | | | |
| Elisabeth Vail Maurice (Chair) | 36 Woodman Ave. | 868-7447 | 6 Yrs | 3/98 | Elected |
| Joyce Sheffield <i>(Replaced Robert Gilmore)</i> | 18 Littlehale Rd. | 868-1882 | 6 Yrs | 3/2000 | Appointed |
| Lynn Allen | Packers Falls Rd. | 659-7340 | 6 Yrs | 3/2002 | Elected |
| Town Clerk/Tax Collector | | | | | |
| Linda L. Ekdahl | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5577 | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Elected |
| Town Treasurer | | | | | |
| Richard Lilly | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5571 | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Elected |
| Franklin Heald (Deputy) | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5571 | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Appointed |
| Trustees of the Trust Funds and Cemetery Committee | | | | | |
| Harold Hurd, (Chair) | 13 Bucks Hill Rd. | 868-5183 | 3 Yrs | 3/99 | Elected |
| Harold J. Schondelmeier (Treasurer) | 12 Bucks Hill Rd. | 868-2122 | 3 Yrs | 3/97 | Elected |
| Ruth Moore (Clerk) | 17 Bucks Hill Rd. | 868-1086 | 3 Yrs | 3/98 | Elected |
| Council Representatives to the Trustees of the Trust Funds | | | | | |
| Bruce Bragdon | 7 Colony Cove Rd. | 868-5435 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Patricia Samuels | 207 Pack. Falls Rd. | 659-2671 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Edward Valena | Durham Point Rd. | 868-2174 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |

Officers, Boards & Committees

| OFFICIAL/BOARD | ADDRESS | PHONE | TERM | TERM EXPIRES | APPT AUTH. |
|---|--------------------|----------|-------|--------------|---------------|
| TOWN ADMINISTRATION | | | | | |
| Town Administrator | | | | | |
| Laurence Shaffer | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5571 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Director of Civil Defense | | | | | |
| Joseph I. "Skip" Grady | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5578 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Business Manager | | | | | |
| Clara Varney | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5571 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Director of Planning and Community Development | | | | | |
| Stephen Burns (Interim) | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5578 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Director of Public Works | | | | | |
| Joseph I. "Skip" Grady | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5578 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Fire Chief | | | | | |
| Robert P. Wood | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5531 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Police Chief | | | | | |
| David Kurz | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-2324 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Durham Ambulance Corps | | | | | |
| Patrick Ahearn (President) | P.O. Box 4, Durham | 868-5647 | N/A | N/A | Volunteer |
| Mary Davis (Exec. Asst.) | P.O. Box 4, Durham | 862-3674 | N/A | N/A | Volunteer |
| Durham District Court | | | | | |
| Gerald Taube (Justice) | | 868-2323 | N/A | N/A | State |
| Sharon Theodore (Clerk of the Court) | | 868-2323 | N/A | N/A | State |
| Health Officer | | | | | |
| Richard Blakemore | 4 Davis Avenue | 868-2073 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council/State |
| Keeper of the Swans | | | | | |
| Margery Milne | 1 Garden Lane | 868-2794 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Librarian | | | | | |
| Claudia Morner | UNH Dimond Library | 868-1541 | N/A | N/A | UNH |

Officers, Boards & Committees

| OFFICIAL/BOARD | ADDRESS | PHONE | TERM | TERM EXPIRES | APPT AUTIL. |
|--|------------------|----------|------|--------------|-------------|
| Parks and Recreation Advocate | | | | | |
| Larry Flint | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-7880 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Rabies Control Officer | | | | | |
| Susan Guthrie | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-2324 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Welfare Officer | | | | | |
| Clara Varney | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5571 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |
| Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer | | | | | |
| Richard Hunsberger | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5578 | N/A | N/A | Town Admin. |

TOWN BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

Conservation Commission

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|-------|-------|------------|
| David Funk (Chair) | 123 Mill Rd. | 868-7248 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Sharon Ossenbruggen | 11 Pinecrest Ln. | 868-5021 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| William Bowden | 25 Woodridge Rd. | 868-1016 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Petya Entcheva | Morse Hall, UNH | 862-1792 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| Theresa Walker | RFD 3, Bennett Rd. | 659-7226 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Donna Neville (Alternate) | 98 Bennett Rd. | 868-6990 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| M. Robinson Swift (Alternate) | 18 Mill Rd. | 868-5238 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| VACANT (Council Rep.) | | | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Annmarie Harris (Planning Board Rep.) | 56 Oyster River Rd. | 868-5182 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Plan. Brd. |

Historic District Commission

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------|-------|-------|------------|
| Marion James (Chair) | 4 Wood Rd. | 868-2682 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Cynthia Hirsch | 53 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5473 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Mary Margaret Jaques | 47 Dover Rd. | 868-2252 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Marie Polk | 47 Newmarket Rd. | 868-7478 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| James Walsh | 30 Woodridge Rd. | 868-2678 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| VACANT (Council Rep.) | | | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Neil Wylie (Planning Board Rep.) | 17 Madbury Rd. | 868-7345 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Plan. Brd. |

Parks and Recreation Committee

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-------|-------|---------|
| Richard Dewing (Chair) | 3 Willey Rd. | 868-7523 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Thomas Christie | 201 Dame Rd. | 659-0128 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| Lewis Newsky | 221 Dame Rd. | 659-3288 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| David Bucciero | 20 Shearwater St. | 868-3774 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Paula Flanders | 9 Williams Way | 868-3657 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| John Churchill | 4 Briarwood Lane | 868-2616 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Edward Valena (Council Rep.) | Durham Point Rd. | 868-2174 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |

Officers, Boards & Committees

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------|--------------|------------|
| Planning Board | | | | | |
| Calvin Hosmer (Chair) | 14 Fogg Drive | 868-2297 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| Dee Grant | P.O. Box 598 | 868-5356 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Annmarie Harris | 56 Oyster River Rd. | 868-5182 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Suzanne Loder | 24 Mast Rd. | 868-7532 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Peter Smith | P.O. Box 136 | 868-7500 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| Neil Wylie | 117 Madbury Rd. | 868-7345 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| Homer Chalifoux (Alternate) | 8 Bayview Rd. | 868-2769 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Edward McNitt (Alternate) | P.O. Box 577 | 868-1842 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| George Rief (Council Rep) | 23 Edgly Garrison Rd. | 868-2551 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Walter Rous (Alternate Council Rep.) | 64 Adams Point Rd. | 868-7030 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |

Zoning Board of Adjustment

| | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|----------|-------|-------|---------|
| William Drapeau (Acting Chair) | 4 Sullivan Falls | 659-7992 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| William H. Annis | 47 Oyster River Rd. | 868-2426 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| Robert Cotter | 4 Surrey Lane | 659-6573 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Hans Heilbronner | 51 Mill Pond Rd. | 868-2440 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Annette Tischler | 36 Oyster River Rd. | 868-5810 | 3 Yrs | 12/97 | Council |
| Mark Sternberger (Alternate) | 21 Ross Rd. | 659-4930 | 3 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| Karyn Krause-Elmslie (Alternate) | 70 Mill Rd. | 868-6827 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Council |
| ALTERNATE VACANCY (to replace Dale Chinburg) | | | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | |

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Chain Committee

| | | | | | |
|--------|--|--|--|-------|---------|
| VACANT | | | | 12/96 | Council |
|--------|--|--|--|-------|---------|

COAST Bus Service

| | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------|-----|-----|-----------|
| Joe E. Follansbee (Executive Director) | UNH Transportation | 862-1931 | N/A | N/A | C.O.A.S.T |
| Laurence Shaffer (Town Administrator) | 15 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5571 | N/A | N/A | Council |

CCE-Step Coalition

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|------|-------|---------|
| William J. Healy, Jr. | 6 Woodridge Rd. | 868-5595 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Patricia Samuels | 207 Packers Falls Rd. | 659-2671 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |

Communications Center Policy Committee

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|-----|-----|---------|
| Clara Varney (Business Mgr.) | | 868-5571 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| David Kurz (Police Chief) | | 868-2324 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Robert Wood (Fire Chief) | | 868-5531 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Roger Beaudoin (UNH Police Chief) | | 862-1427 | N/A | N/A | UNH |

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|--|-----------------------|----------|-------|--------------|------------|
| Durham Business Park | | | | | |
| Pete Chinburg | 32 Woodridge Rd. | 868-2381 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| George Rief | 23 Edgly Garrison Rd. | 868-2551 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Walter Rous | 64 Adams Pt. Rd. | 868-7030 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Patricia Samuels | 207 Packers Falls Rd. | 659-2671 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| W. Arthur Grant (Citizen Rep.) | Box 598, Mast Rd. | 868-5356 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Economic Development Committee | | | | | |
| Alex Auty | Colony Cove Rd. | | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Homer Chalifoux | 8 Bay View Rd. | 868-2769 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Charles Cressy | 13 Surrey Lane | 659-4750 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Jeffrey Crothers | 8 Willey Rd. | 868-1281 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| David Garvey | P.O. Box 935 | 659-3519 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Don Gray | 80 Longmarsh Rd. | 868-2731 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| David J. Murphy | 283 Durham Pt. Rd. | 868-1809 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Malcolm Sandberg | 15 Langley Rd. | 868-5211 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Kenneth Young | 48 Main St. | 868-2688 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Bruce Bragdon (Council Rep.) | 7 Colony Cove Rd. | 868-5435 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| William J. Healy (Council Rep.) | 6 Woodridge Rd. | 868-5595 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Lamprey River Management Advisory Committee | | | | | |
| Richard Dewing | 3 Willey Rd. | 868-7523 | 3 Yrs | 6/97 | Council |
| David Funk | 123 Mill Rd. | 868-7248 | 3 Yrs | 6/97 | Council |
| Theresa Walker | RFD 3, Bennett Rd. | 659-7226 | 3 Yrs | 6/97 | Council |
| Richard Lord | 85 Bennett Rd. | 659-2721 | 3 Yrs | 6/97 | Council |
| Judith Spang | 55 Wiswall Rd. | 659-5936 | 3 Yrs | 6/97 | Council |
| Library Negotiation Committee | | | | | |
| John Aber (Council Rep.) | 4 Sumac Lane | 868-2818 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Walter Rous (Council Rep.) | 64 Adams Point Rd. | 868-7030 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Memorial Park Committee | | | | | |
| VACANT (Citizen Rep.) | | | | | |
| VACANT (Citizen Rep.) | | | | | |
| VACANT (Citizen Rep.) | | | | | |
| VACANT (Citizen Rep.) | | | | | |
| Walter Rous (Council Rep.) | 64 Adams Point Rd. | 868-7030 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Edward Valena (Council Rep.) | Durham Point Rd. | 868-2174 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| ORCSD Facilities Committee | | | | | |
| George Rief (Council Rep.) | 23 Edgly Garrison Rd. | 868-2551 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| John Aber (Alternate Council Rep.) | 4 Sumac Lane | 868-2818 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |

Officers, Boards & Committees

| OFFICIAL/BOARD | ADDRESS | PHONE | TERM | TERM EXPIRES | APPT AUTH. |
|--|------------------------------------|----------|-------|--------------|------------|
| PDA Noise Compatibility Committee | | | | | |
| VACANT (Citizen Rep.) | | | | | |
| Recycling Advisory Committee | | | | | |
| William Skinner (Chair) | 28 Garden Lane | 868-7049 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Joan Drapeau | 4 Sullivan Falls | 659-7992 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Kate Glanz | 25 Orchard Drive | 868-5398 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Anne Loomis | 367 Durham Pt Rd. | 868-7584 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| VACANT | | | N/A | N/A | Council |
| VACANT | | | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Rental Housing Commission | | | | | |
| Paul Berton (DLA Rep.) | 482 Broad St., Portsmouth 03801 | 431-0068 | N/A | N/A | DLA |
| Eric Chinburg (Citizen Rep.) | 6 Newmarket Rd. | 868-5595 | N/A | N/A | DLA |
| Jay Gooze (Prop. Owner) | 9 Meadow Rd. | 868-2497 | N/A | N/A | Council |
| Heidi Kendall (UNH Rep.) | Alexander, Rm 119, | 868-1234 | N/A | N/A | UNH |
| Leila Moore (UNH Rep.) | Student Affairs Ofc. | 862-2053 | N/A | N/A | UNH |
| Barbara Paiton (UNH Rep.) | Dir. of Housing, UNH | 862-2120 | N/A | N/A | UNH |
| John Aber (Council Rep.) | 4 Sumac Lane | 868-2818 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| SMPO Technical Advisory Committee | | | | | |
| VACANT | | | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| SMPO Transportation Policy Committee | | | | | |
| VACANT | | | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Strafford Regional Planning Commission | | | | | |
| Edward McNitt | P.O. Box 577 | 868-1842 | 4 Yrs | 12/98 | Council |
| George Rief (Council Rep.) | 23 Edgly Garrison Rd. | 868-1759 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Neil Wylie (Planning Board Rep.) | 117 Madbury Rd. | 868-7345 | 3 Yrs | 12/96 | Plan Brd |
| Water Policy Advisory Committee | | | | | |
| Pete Chinburg (Council Rep.) | 32 Woodridge Rd. | 868-2381 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| George Rief (Council Rep.) | 23 Edgly Garrison | 868-2551 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| W. Arthur Grant (Citizen Rep.) | 261 Mast Rd. | 868-5356 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Water, Wastewater & Solid Waste Committee | | | | | |
| Bruce Bragdon (Council Rep.) | 7 Colony Cove Rd. | 868-5435 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| Pete Chinburg (Council Rep.) | 32 Woodridge Rd. | 868-2381 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |
| George Rief (Council Rep.) | 23 Edgly Garrison | 868-2551 | 1 Yr | 12/96 | Council |

Executive Summary

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL CHAIR

1996 has been a year of change, yet a year of continued good delivery of the services the citizens of Durham have come to expect for their tax dollar.

The Town Council has undergone change. Councilors W. Arthur Grant, Patricia Cline and Scott Hovey, choosing not to stand for election again after their years of good service, were replaced by Councilors Bruce Bragdon, Frank Pilar and Ed Valena. Councilor Ralph Bristol moved out of Durham in October and was replaced by Councilor Dale L. "Pete" Chinburg. As I write this in December, Councilor Frank Pilar has just tendered his resignation for health reasons - the Council will appoint a replacement.

The Town Staff has also undergone change. Town Administrator Larry Wood resigned to begin his studies for the ministry in January; Public Works Director Joseph "Skip" Grady filled in as our Acting Town Administrator; and after an intensive search by the Council, beginning April 1st, Larry Shaffer became our Town Administrator. Police Chief Paul Gowen retired in 1995; Captain Joseph McGann was appointed Acting Chief; and after a lengthy search by consultants, staff and a citizens board, as of January 8th, David Kurz became our Chief of Police. Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, Rob



William J. Healy, Jr., Council Chairman

Houseman resigned in June, providing an opportunity for Town Administrator Shaffer to propose (in response to the Council's desire to place emphasis on the recommendations to be implemented in the Community Development Plan) splitting the position into Director of Planning and Community Development and Director of Zoning and Code Enforcement. Rich Hunsburger was hired in October as Director of Zoning and Code Enforcement; the search for a Director of Planning and Community Development continues.

The Town facilities are undergoing change. Public Works staff are finishing the entrance road to the new Public Works Facility, just off the Dover Road, and construction is about to begin with a target for completion of April 1997 - progress has been slower than expected in part due to the frugality

imposed by the Council and adhered to by staff. The former Clipper Affiliates building on Dover Road was purchased by the Town in October for a new Police Department facility as the most cost-effective means to achieving the Police Departments needs - renovations are being designed now with expected completion in early 1997.

The Town's relations with the University of New Hampshire have undergone significant change. In response to many taxpayer's requests, after lengthy attempts at introducing legislation by Durham's Legislative Representatives and lengthy negotiation with the University System staff and a meeting with a sub-committee of the University Board of Trustees, the University Trustees agreed to a reimbursement to the Town of Durham for some of the costs of educating the public school-age students living on the UNH campus (currently Forest Park). It is to be phased in over a three-year period beginning in 1996 and will eventually result in a payment equivalent to about \$0.80 on the Durham tax rate. As a result of the Library survey, the good work of the Library Services Task Force and the negotiations of Councilors John Aber and Ralph Bristol and citizen Warren Daniels, the Town and University have renegotiated the 1906 Library agreement, eliminating the Browse and Children's Reading Rooms, keeping all other Durham citizens' access to the Dimond Library,

relieving the Town of a payment of \$47,000 annually and allowing the citizens of the Town to decide whether and what library services they want by voting in March on a Charter change to create a board of Library Trustees. As I write this, the negotiations for a renewal of our Fire Services agreement with the University, with a distribution of the cost based more on the distribution of the service calls, is in the final stages. We have all learned from all these dealings to cooperate to our mutual benefit and move forward.

Over the past few years, the Council has been paying particular attention to the expense side of the budget. This year, the Council has directed staff to pay more attention to the revenue side of the budget as well as the stabilization of the tax rate. As a result of this and the recommendation of the Community

Development Plan, the Town Council formed the Economic Development Committee to actively do those things that will bring commercial, community-friendly economic development to the Town, but...maintain the Durham character that brought and keeps us all here.

I would be remiss if I did not mention one other noteworthy achievement. In October, the bill designating the stretch of the Lamprey River in Durham, as well as neighboring towns, was passed and signed by the President. It preserves a rich historical and recreational heritage that we all have and enjoy. A group of dedicated people, the Lamprey River Advisory Committee, have been working with the National Park Service for 12 years on this. Our hats'

off to them for their perseverance and dedication.

Kudos also go to our staff for their dedication in delivering the services we citizens of Durham have come to expect. They do it cheerfully and efficiently. A citizen approached me near the end of our "100-year flood" disaster recently. He said "It's not just that the fire and police and public works people do their job. It's that they always do it so cheerfully". I believe that is what helps make Durham the Town it is. To all of you, staff, volunteers on our commissions and boards, elected officials and citizens - Thank You. To those who have left us, thank you for your services. To those who have joined us, thank you also, for the work you are doing and will do in the future.

—William J. Healy, Jr., Chairman
Durham Town Council

*A portion of Longmarsh Road damaged by the flood, October 1996.
(photo courtesy Richard H. Lord)*



*Newmarket Road looking north across Hamel Brook, October 1996.
(photo courtesy Richard H. Lord)*



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REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

The other day I overheard the Town Hall gang discussing the dismal prospects for the 1996 Town of Durham report. It seems as though nothing that the Town has undertaken in the last year is complete and as such, the Town Report will have nothing to focus upon. Of course, what the employees meant was that with having the Public Works garage still in the construction phase and the renovation of the former Clipper Building anticipated to be done in early 1997, none of the more high visibility, brick and mortar projects have yet to be complete. However, in those overheard comments, I thought I saw a glimpse of a theme:

"A BUILDING YEAR"

1996 has been *a building year* for the Town of Durham. On a brick and mortar basis the new Department of Public Works facility was approved and initiated in 1996 and the acquisition of the former Clipper Building was completed in order to accommodate the Police Department. Neither one of those projects are complete. However, and more importantly in my estimation, the Town of Durham has been engaged in building upon and improving many of the elements that make our community a special place to live. The Town has been building improved relationships with its largest community member, the University of New Hampshire. It has built upon its relationship



Laurence Shaffer, Town Administrator

with many outside agencies to improve upon services available to citizens of our fine community. Further, the Town staff has worked very hard to build an administrative team to accommodate the needs of our community.

University of New Hampshire

The Town of Durham and the University of New Hampshire have worked hard in 1996 to reaffirm the importance of the relationship to each institution. The improved relationship between the Town of Durham and the University of New Hampshire accomplished the following:

West Edge Parking Lot

The West Edge Parking Lot was constructed by the University off of Mast Road. From the Town's perspective, we were appreciative of how willing the University was to make accommodations in the actu-

al construction of the parking lot to meet some of the concerns expressed by the property owners adjacent to or near the West Edge Parking Lot.

Forest Park University Housing

The Trustees of the University of New Hampshire and the President of the University of New Hampshire agreed to make a voluntary payment to the Town of Durham in recognition of the impact that the cost of students who reside at the Forest Park University housing have upon property taxes in the Town of Durham. The University's agreement to make that payment speaks volumes to the sensitivity the University has for the real property tax concerns of the taxpayers of the Town of Durham. The process which culminated in the voluntary payment made by the University, involved Town officials discussing this issue with a committee of the University Board of Trustees. That opportunity to have Town Councilors and the Town Administrator discuss issues with members of the Board of Trustees, the Chancellor of the University, and the President of the University served the Town's interest well. The Town and the University came away from these discussions with a better understanding of each other!

Library Agreement

The University of New Hampshire and the Town of Durham worked very hard on an agreement which effectively dissolved the 1906 agreement to share a library. The payment of \$250,000.00 made by

the University to the Town and the agreement by the University that Town residents would continue to enjoy full benefits of the use of the new Dimond Library worked out to the Town's best interest.

Fire Services Agreement

The Fire Services Agreement between the Town of Durham and the University of New Hampshire effectively binds the University and the Town to share in the cost for fire protection services based upon usage. The agreement also calls for the University to share in the cost of the construction of a new fire station once the lease with the University for the present fire station expires in 2009.

The Town and University are building a relationship based upon the understanding that each institution's best interest is served when sensitivity and willingness to communicate is present. These values will allow for a successful and productive relationship.

Outside Agencies

The Town of Durham has established or building upon relationships with many agencies to meet community goals. Some of the outside agencies that the Town worked with in 1996 includes:

The Oyster River Youth Association

The Oyster River Youth Association and the Town of Durham engaged in intensive discussions relative to the reconstruction of the Jackson's Landing

Skating Rink. That relationship between the town and the ORYA ensured that the new skating rink would provide safe and enjoyable recreational opportunities for the people of our community.

Durham Business Association

The Town of Durham is working side by side with the newly formed Durham Business Association in order to develop strategies and to identify resources to revitalize the retail center of our community. Building that relationship will allow for the anticipated successful filing of a Main Street-New Hampshire grant request which will provide an opportunity for downtown to build upon previous success.

Heidelberg Harris, Inc.

The Town of Durham is building a stronger relationship with Heidelberg Harris, the Town's largest taxpayer, in order to identify opportunities that would allow for it's expansion or to open up land for appropriate development to the north of their property on Technology Drive.

Ffrost-Sawyer Homestead

The Town of Durham worked with the State Historic Preservation Office to secure a grant to fund the archeological survey of the Ffrost-Sawyer Homestead. That important project represents a unique opportunity to better understand and preserve our heritage while restoring the property to a standard that satisfies the community's historic preservation profile while provid-

ing much needed new taxable assessed value.

Staff and Conclusion

I have been very honored and fortunate to work with such fine staff. The Town of Durham employees are knowledgeable, determined and hard working. I appreciate their service to the community.

Finally, I would like to thank the citizens of the Town who have made my first year as Town Administrator so enjoyable. I look forward to working with the citizens of Durham towards building a stronger community.

—Laurence Shaffer, Town Administrator

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1996 ORDINANCES

| NUMBER | TITLE | ACTION | DATE |
|----------|---|--|--------------------|
| 96-01 | EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Restricting Parking on Davis Avenue, Madbury Court and at Wagon Hill Farm | Passed Extended | 1/22/96 3/18/96 |
| 96-02 | EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Regulating Heavy Hauling Over Town Roads | Passed | 3/4/96 |
| 96-03 | Restricting Parking on Davis Avenue Madbury Court and Wagon Hill | First Reading <i>Referred back to staff for further study. Never brought to public hearing.</i> | 5/1/96 |
| 96-04 | Establishing Minimum Regulations Requiring Interconnected Smoke Detectors in all Sleeping Rooms in Accordance with Section 316 of the 1995 CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code | <i>Never brought forward.</i> | |
| 96-05 | Establishing Three-Way Stop Sign Control at Intersection of Thompson Lane and Oyster River Road | Passed | 6/3/96 |
| 96-06 | Establishing No Parking on Davis Avenue | Passed | 10/7/96 |
| 96-07(B) | Amending Ordinance #88-03 The Town of Durham Administrative Code by Deleting Section 1.15 and Adding Sections 1.16 and 1.17 | Passed | 8/5/96 |
| 96-08 | Establishing the Speed Limit for Pettee Brook Lane | Passed | 10/7/96 |
| 96-09 | Increasing Parking Violation Fees | Passed | 10/7/96 |
| 96-10(A) | Establishing the Speed Limit for Davis Avenue, Fairchild Drive and Rocky Lane | Passed | 11/4/96 |
| 96-11 | Designating Bay Road as a "Scenic Road" | Passed | 12/16/96 |

1996 RESOLUTIONS

| NUMBER | TITLE | ACTION | DATE |
|--------|--|--------|----------|
| 96-01 | Authorizing the Issuance of Long-Term Bonds not to Exceed Three Hundred and Forty-Eight Thousand and Eleven Dollars (\$348,011) for the Purpose of Purchasing Various Items of Equipment and Upgrading of Water Lines | Passed | 01/05/96 |
| 96-02 | Establishing Compensation for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector for Fiscal Year 1996 | Passed | 01/05/96 |

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| NUMBER | TITLE | ACTION | DATE |
|----------|---|--------|----------|
| 96-03 | Establishing Compensation for Department Heads for Fiscal Year 1996 | Passed | 01/05/96 |
| 96-04 | Authorizing the Issuance of Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,500,000.00) in Tax Anticipation Notes | Passed | 02/05/96 |
| 96-05 | Amending Resolution #96-02 Establishing Compensation for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector | Passed | 02/19/96 |
| 96-06 | Renaming Johnson Creek to "W. Arthur Grant Circle" | Passed | 03/18/96 |
| 96-07 | Authorizing the Establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for Improvements to the Memorial Park | Passed | 05/06/96 |
| 96-08 | Authorizing the Town of Durham to Participate in the Combined Insurance Rating Arrangement Offered by the New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA) Health Insurance Trust, Inc. | Passed | 05/06/96 |
| 96-09 | Recognizing the Many Achievements of the Young Men and Women of the Oyster River Cooperative School District for the 1995/96 School Year | Passed | 05/06/96 |
| 96-10 | Authorizing the Issuance of Long-Term Bonds not to Exceed Eight Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$895,000.00) for the Purpose of Purchasing Equipment, Upgrading Water and Sewer Lines and Constructing a Police Facility | Passed | 07/01/96 |
| 96-11 | Authorizing the Town Administrator to Submit an FY96 Historic Preservation Grant in the Amount not to Exceed \$15,000.00 | Passed | 05/20/96 |
| 96-12 | Authorizing that the Tax Abatement Appeal which the University of New Hampshire Filed on Sept. 29, 1995 be Granted and the Tax Bill Assessed to the UNH for Tax Year 1994 also be Granted | Passed | 06/03/96 |
| 96-13 | In Recognition and Appreciation of Mr. Walter Peterson During his Tenure as Interim President for the University of New Hampshire | Passed | 06/17/96 |
| 96-14 | Amending Resolution #96-07 by Changing the Name of the Reserve Fund Account for Improvements to the Memorial Park From "Memorial Park Improvements Capital Reserve Fund" to "Memorial Park Expendable Trust Fund" | Passed | 11/04/96 |
| 96-15 | Transferring \$20,435.00 from the General Fund Fund Balance to the Capital Fund to Cover a 1992 Cemetery Expansion Project | Passed | 11/04/96 |
| 96-16(A) | Establishing a "Library Services Expendable Trust Fund" | Passed | 11/18/96 |

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| NUMBER | TITLE | ACTION | DATE |
|--------|--|--------|----------|
| 96-17 | Authorizing the Town Administrator to Enter Into a Contract with the State of New Hampshire for a Health Officer Capacity Building Grant | Passed | 12/16/96 |
| 96-18 | Supporting the New Hampshire Main Street Durham Business Association Grant Application | Passed | 12/16/96 |
| 96-19 | Town Council Approval of 1997 General Fund Budget | Passed | 12/30/96 |
| 96-20 | Town Council Approval of 1997 Water Fund Budget | Passed | 12/30/96 |
| 96-21 | Town Council Approval of 1997 Sewer Fund Budget | Passed | 12/30/96 |
| 96-22 | Town Council Approval of 1997 Capital Fund Budget | Passed | 12/30/96 |

1995 RESOLUTIONS PASSED IN 1996

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|-------|---|--------|----------|
| 95-15 | Rescinding Unissued Bond Appropriations | Passed | 01/22/96 |
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REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

The Business Department of the Town of Durham is responsible for budget development and oversight, financial accounting and control, data processing, purchasing, personnel administration, risk management (including health insurance), welfare and property assessment. The department has a full-time Business Manager, Assessor and Fiscal Technician and a part-time Accountant.



Clara Varney, Business Manager

- Reduction in Town portion of tax rate.
- Low interest rate on sale on Tax Anticipation Notes.
- Closure to old capital improvement projects.
- Purchase of accounts receivable computer software program.

1997 Goals

- Review purchasing procedures.
- Decentralize payroll and accounts payable data input.
- Schedule fixed assets.
- Review accounting policies and procedures.

—Clara Varney, Business Manager

1996 Accomplishments

- Reduction in audit management points.

MINUTES OF THE 1996 INFORMATIONAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, March 13, 1996

Council Members Present: Ralph Bristol, Chairman; Walter Rous, George Rief, William J. Healy, Jr., Patricia Samuels, W. Arthur Grant, Scott Hovey, John Aber and Patricia Cline

Council Members Absent: None

Also Present: Skip Grady, Acting Town Administrator; Clara Varney, Business Manager, Robert Wood, Fire Chief; David Kurz, Police Chief, members of the press

Moderator: Michael Everngam

| COUNCILOR | | WRITE-IN'S |
|------------------|-----|------------|
| Bruce Bragdon | 354 | 12 |
| Edward Valena | 342 | |
| Frank L. Pilar | 317 | |
| Dale L. Chinburg | 300 | |
| Judith Spang | 264 | |
| Thomas Christie | 172 | |

| TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR | | WRITE-IN'S |
|--------------------------|-----|------------|
| Linda L. Ekdahl | 601 | 1 |

| TREASURER | | WRITE-IN'S |
|------------------|-----|------------|
| Richard G. Lilly | 508 | 2 |

| TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS | | WRITE-IN'S |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------|
| Harold C. Hurd | 505 | 1 |

| SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST | | WRITE-IN'S |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------|
| Lynn Allen | 525 | 1 |

| MODERATOR | | WRITE-IN'S |
|---------------------|-----|------------|
| Michael H. Everngam | 513 | 6 |

The 1996 Informational Town Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Moderator Michael Everngam. There were approximately 50 people in attendance.

Mr. Everngam introduced the current Town Council members and the newly elected members.

Mr. Everngam announced the results of the Town election on Tuesday, March 12, 1996.

Mr. Everngam introduced Acting Town Administrator, Joseph "Skip" Grady. Mr. Grady asked the newly elected Council members to join the other Council members at the table and welcomed them to the Council.

Mr. Grady introduced members of the Town staff that were in the audience: Town Administrator Laurence Shaffer, Police Chief David Kurz, Director of Planning and Zoning Robert Houseman, Business Manager Clara Varney, Parks and Recreation Advocate Larry Flint, Fire Chief Robert Wood and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Linda L. Ekdahl.

Mr. Grady noted the following items that the Council and Town will be involved in throughout 1996:

- 1996 tax rate.
- Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement with the University of New Hampshire.
- Community Development Plan.
- Town Library proposal.
- Town's position on whether or not to upgrade the UNH Water Treatment Facility.

- Wagon Hill Master Plan.
- Construction of the new Public Works Facility.
- Proposal for new Police Facility.
- Proposed revisions to the Shoreland Protection Ordinance.
- Development of the Durham Business Park.

Mr. Grady introduced new Town Administrator, Laurence Shaffer. Mr. Shaffer said that he was pleased about coming to the Town of Durham and hoped to make a positive contribution.

Mr. Grady spoke about the roof collapse at Jackson's Landing that happened in January. He said that this event doubly increased the Town's awareness for its Emergency Management Plan and emergency preparedness for the community. The Council, therefore, felt it would be appropriate as a theme for the Informational Town Meeting to address the community and talk about emergency preparedness. He introduced Fire Chief Robert Wood who led a presentation on emergency preparedness.

Fire Chief Wood introduced Mr. Nick Pichon from the New Hampshire Emergency Management Office who was in the audience. Chief Wood explained how the new Emergency Management Plan has been updated and the purpose of the plan. Providing a slide presentation he highlighted the following items:

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- Indicated some of the emergency considerations that the plan reflects.
- Noted the reference plans that were used while compiling the Town of Durham's plan.
- Listed the people involved in the implementation of the plan.
- Explained the function of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Chief Wood indicated how the Town can accomplish some of the aspects of the planning through the CAMEO (Computer Aided Management of Emergency Operations) program and the ALOHA (Aerial Locations of Hazardous Atmospheres) program. Chief Wood also explained the importance of tabletop exercises and what is done during these exercises. Chief Wood indicated that the State of New Hampshire has adopted a process called the "Incident Command System" (ICS) which ensures a reasonable extent of control.

Chief Wood closed by stating that he felt the Town was taking advantage of some cost-effective training and establishing partnerships with the New Hampshire Emergency Management Office and resources on the UNH campus and the Seacoast Mutual Aid and Fire Chief's organization.

Certificates of appreciation for tenure were presented to the following employees: Brian Beers - 25 years; Guy S. Hodgdon - 20 years; Thomas F. Richardson - 20 years; William Davis - 15 years; Kathie

Lopez - 10 years; and Francis Rawson - 10 years.

Performance certificates were awarded to the following employees for their performance as front line members of Durham's snowplowing team: Brian S. Beers, Charlton R. Dill, Phillips Brooks, James Currie, Ronald M. Douglas, Terry B. Edison, Paul J. Halpin, Michael Howcroft, Raymond Laroche, Sr., Raymond Laroche, Jr. and Raymond Osborne.

Other performance certificates were awarded to the following employees and outgoing Council members as follows: Sheryl Hoisington for coordinating the 1995 holiday food and gift drive, Kathie Lopez for earning her Certificate in Governmental Accounting from the New Hampshire Government Finance Officers Association, Jennie Berry for her work in the preparation of the 1995 annual Town Report, David Burns for earning Firefighter of the Year for 1995, Thomas Richardson for earning Fire Officer of the Year for 1995, Joseph McGann for his performance as Interim Police Chief, Robert Houseman for his contributions toward the successful completion of the Durham Community Development Plan, Patricia Cline for her service as a Town Council member from 1993-1996, Scott Hovey for his service as a Town Council member from 1990-1996 and W. Arthur Grant for his service as a Town Council member from 1990-1996.

Outgoing Councilor Scott Hovey read a prepared letter for the Town Council and audience.

Council Chairman Bristol spoke about the service of the three outgoing Town Council members Patricia Cline, Scott Hovey and Arthur Grant. Each was presented with a pen and pencil set. Chairman Bristol also presented outgoing Councilor Arthur Grant with a resolution and a sign renaming Johnson Creek Road to "W. Arthur Grant Circle."

Conservation Commission Chairman David Funk presented Ms. Margery Milne with the third annual Conservation Commission Award for her outstanding achievements as Durham's Keeper of the Swans.

Brief reports were given by the Chairs of the various Town boards, committees and commissions and are contained within the 1995 Town Report.

There being no further business, the Moderator ADJOURNED the 1996 Annual Informational Town Meeting at 8:30 PM.

—Jennie Berry, Administrative Assistant

PLANNING BOARD & PLANNING DEPARTMENT

It has been a year of transition for the Planning Board. Robert Houseman, Director of Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement, resigned in June. Following Rob's departure, the responsibilities of this position were re-assigned, with code enforcement and zoning administration being transferred to the new Zoning Administrator /Code Enforcement Officer, Richard F. Hunsberger, and the planning and community development functions remaining with the position. Steve Burns, Executive Director of the Strafford Regional Planning Commission, is serving as the Interim Planner until the position is permanently filled. Janet Glazier, Department Secretary, has done a great job keeping the department under control with very little assistance for the second half of the year, and her work is greatly appreciated.

1996 Accomplishments

Accepted and approved 17 applications, 2 more than in 1995. Noteworthy among the

applications dealt with was one proposal for a ten-lot subdivision. The application process was greatly assisted by extensive informal consultation with the Board by the prospective applicant prior to the submission of the formal application.

- Completed and adopted revised Subdivision, Site Plan Review and Roadway Regulations, as well as Planning Board Rules of Procedure.
- Completed a Site Plan Review, requested by the Town Council, of a proposed parking plan for the Oyster River Youth Association facility on Old Piscataqua Road.
- Provided input into the Town of Durham Capital Improvement Program.
- Participated in the selection process for a new Director of Planning and Community Development.

1997 Goals

- Update the Durham Master Plan using input from the Community Development Plan. (CDP).

- Consider changes to the Durham Zoning Ordinance recommended in the CDP.

The Planning Board welcomes discussion with interested citizens on what things the Town of Durham can do to maintain the nature of the community through planning and management of land use. It is advisable to call the Planning Office in advance of a meeting to insure there is ample time available for proper consideration of your ideas.

*—Stephen Burns, Interim Planner
Calvin Hosmer, Chair, Planning Board*

Comparison of Number of Application Approvals 1991 - 1996

| APPLICATION TYPE | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Subdivision | 5 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 6 |
| Site Review/Conditional Use Permit | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 10 | 4 |
| Boundary Line Adjustment | 7 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 5 |
| Totals | 17 | 15 | 11 | 15 | 15 | 15 |

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REPORT OF THE ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER



Richard Honsberger,
Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer

| TOTAL PERMITS PROCESSED | 1996** | 1995 | 1994 |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Construction Permits | 149 | 179 | 216 |
| Permits Denied | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Permits Withdrawn | 10 | 5 | 0 |
| Septic | 26 | 52 | + |
| Electric | 119 | 125 | + |
| Plumbing | 55 | 48 | + |
| On Hold | 3 | 0 | 5 |
| Demolition | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Total Permits | 364 | 401 | 216+ |

+Note: This total did not include electric and plumbing permits; separate permits started to be recorded and numbered in 1995.

Value of Permits Given \$9,325,881++ \$ 8,561,744 \$6,689,709

++Note: This total includes \$2,478,000 of public, exempt properties; no permit fees were collected.

Fees Collected for all Permits \$25,890 \$ 33,825 \$28,337

| BREAKDOWN OF PERMITS | 1996** | 1995 | 1994 |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Single Family House | 26 | 30 | 27 |
| Multi-Family House | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Additions, Renovations | 89 | 119 | 100 |
| Commercial (New & Renovations) | 24 | 22 | 11 |
| Demolition | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Septic | 26 | 52 | |
| Signs | 7 | 8 | 6 |
| Electrical and Plumbing | 174 | 173 | 66 |
| Withdrawn | 10 | 5 | |
| Hold/Renewals | 6 | | |
| Totals | 364 | 401 | 211 |

***all figures are thru December 1, 1996*

TOWN CLERK

Fiscal Year Ending 12/31/96

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Auto Registrations . . . | \$520,034.00 |
| Title Applications | 2,142.00 |
| Municipal Agent Fees | 9,317.50 |
| Marriage Licenses | 1,035.00 |
| Vital Statistics Copies | 706.00 |
| U.C.C. Recording Fees . . . | 1,315.00 |
| U.C.C. Termination Fees . . | 497.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 3,784.50 |
| Miscellaneous | 176.00 |
| Total | \$539,007.00 |



Autos Registered 5,779

Dogs Licensed 545

Linda Ekdahl, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1996

| | 1996 | 1995 | 1989 |
|---|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Uncollected Taxes, as of January 1, 1996: | | | |
| Property Taxes | 0 | \$1,134,967.84 | \$11,187.84 |
| Yield Taxes | 0 | 1,040.36 | 0 |
| Taxes Committed to Collector: | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$10,951,603.00 | 48.09 | 0 |
| Land Use Change | 705.00 | 0 | 0 |
| Yield Taxes | 777.38 | 0 | 0 |
| Boat Taxes | 182.24 | 0 | 0 |
| Overpayments: | | | |
| Property Taxes | 12,619.49 | 64.53 | 0 |
| Interest Collected | 1,345.04 | 62,296.42 | 0 |
| TOTAL Debits | \$10,967,232.15 | \$1,198,417.24 | \$11,187.84 |
| Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year: | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$9,660,339.94 | \$1,130,759.22 | \$0 |
| Land Use Change Taxes | 705.00 | 0 | 0 |
| Yield Taxes | 777.38 | 1,040.36 | 0 |
| Boat Taxes | 182.24 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest Collected | 1,345.04 | 62,296.42 | 0 |
| Abatements Made During Year | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$0 | \$4,321.24 | \$0 |
| Uncollected Taxes, as of December 31, 1996 | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$1,303,882.55 | \$0 | \$11,187.84 |
| TOTAL Credits | \$10,967,232.15 | \$1,198,417.24 | \$11,187.84 |

Unredeemed Tax Liens

| | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 & PRIOR |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Balance of Unredeemed Liens (as of 1/1/96) | \$0 | \$273,811.38 | \$86,375.66 | \$133,383.68 |
| Tax Liens Executed During Year | 487,615.83 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest & Costs After Lien | 11,075.65 | 32,634.14 | 16,870.32 | 11,814.22 |
| Overpayments Made During Year | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL Debits | \$498,691.48 | \$306,445.52 | \$103,245.98 | \$145,197.90 |
| Remittances to Treasurer: | | | | |
| Tax Lien Redemptions | \$196,094.06 | \$177,921.99 | \$50,867.98 | \$22,271.77 |
| Interests & Costs After Lien | 11,075.65 | 32,634.14 | 16,870.32 | 11,814.22 |
| Abatements Made During Year | 0 | 2,746.59 | 535.50 | 1,306.21 |
| Tax Liens Deeded to Town | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unredeemed Liens (as of 12/31/96) | 291,521.77 | 93,142.80 | 34,972.18 | 109,805.70 |
| TOTAL Credits | \$498,691.48 | \$306,445.52 | \$103,245.98 | \$145,197.90 |

General Government

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS AND CEMETERY COMMITTEE

A total of thirteen burials were made in the Route 4 Durham Cemetery in 1996 including ten caskets and three cremains. Four lots were sold including ten graves of which six were full-body and four were cremains.

There were two weddings in Smith Chapel on Mill Pond Road. Plans are being made to repair windows in this chapel in 1997.

Thanks to Mike Lynch, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds and his fine crew for their maintenance of the Route 4 Durham Cemetery, Schoolhouse Lane Cemetery and approximately

70 other small graveyards and tombs. These sites have been well cared for and presented a very good appearance this summer in spite of an extreme dry period. We also thank the several property owners for caring for non-trusted and abandoned graveyards which are situated on their land. 37 other private graveyards have trust funds which help to fund their upkeep.

At the meeting of the Cemetery Committee in May it was unanimously voted to raise the price of graves from \$250.00 to \$350.00 per grave, effective July 1, 1996. This decision was made in order to keep the price of graves in the Route 4 Durham Cemetery in line with those of neighboring communities.

It is estimated that there are enough graves left in Section D of the cemetery to last until approximately the

year 2004 and will fill up the back half of the cemetery land.

First New Hampshire Investment Service continues to manage the various trust funds which are doing extremely well this year. Contributions made to Town projects from these funds during 1996 are as follows:

- From the Frost Temperance Fund to the Oyster River School District for drug and alcohol education....\$500.00.
- From the Olinthus Doe Trust Fund to the Town of Durham to defray school expenses....\$500.00.
- From the Smith Town Improvement Fund to the Town of Durham for flowers for downtown beautification....\$750.00.

—Harold C. Hurd, Chairman

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

1996 was a busy year. The February Presidential Primary was the first big election under the new election day registration law; 551 people waited in lines up to an hour to register.

March 5, 1996 was the start of what proved to be three days of the Oyster River School District election and meeting. This was due to a snow storm. The following week was the Town election. Lynn Allen was elected the new member of the Checklist, replacing Joan Weeks

who retired after twelve years. Thank you Joan (for the twelve years, not retiring).

In August Robert Gilmore retired and Joyce Sheffield was appointed to finish his term of office. Thank you too, Bob.

This fall University of New Hampshire (UNH) and students actively involved with getting UNH students to vote responsibly, worked with us to make the November Presidential Election go smoothly. This was the first time we have had their cooperation, and what a difference it made. They have also distanced themselves from "Rock the Vote" and changed

their name to "Youth Vote."

Even though we held four extra sessions, November 5th saw over 1020 people file through the registration process. Lynn, Joyce, Linda Ekdahl and Lorrie Pitt registered voters in the High School cafeteria. Linda Ekdahl swore in Joan, Bob and Ann Lemmon as deputies who also helped register voters. Thanks to all of their help the lines moved quickly.

Now we have hours of work ahead of us to get these names on the computer and notify the town and states that the voters were previously registered in, and file.

— Elisabeth Vail Maurice, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

It has been a year of transition for the Zoning Board of Adjustment due to the changes in Zoning Board members and the resignation in June of Robert Houseman, Director of Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement. Also in June, the Town lost the services of the part-time Code Enforcement Officer. The Town Administrator and the Town Council subsequently approved changes in the two job descriptions, and we now have two full-time positions – one Director of Planning and Community Development and one Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer.

As an interim measure, the Town enlisted the aid of the highly qualified Director of the Strafford Regional Planning Commission in Dover, Steve Burns, to cover the office for zoning and planning issues from July - September. Effective September 9, 1996, the Town hired Richard F. Hunsberger to be the first full-time Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer. Thanks go to Mr. Burns for agreeing to help the Town and for his fine work during his short tenure!

The Board heard a total of 16 petitions for Variance (9), Special Exception (6) and Administrative Appeal (1). Of the total, 12 were granted and 4 of the Variances were denied. Of those denied, two were for signage in the Mill Road Shopping Plaza, one concerned the

Aquifer Protection Zone and one with building in the Shoreland Protection Zone.

1997 Goals

- Improving the enforcement of the local ordinances by being proactive, and build good relations with all departments, local boards and the citizens of Durham.
- Creating new permit applications which will be “user-friendly”; and
- Making recommendations to the Planning Board to improve the language of the Zoning Ordinance to be more readily understood and enforceable.

— William Drapeau, Acting Chair

Newmarket Road looking south from Bennett Road Intersection. October 1996. (photo courtesy Michael D. Golding)



REPORT OF THE TOWN ASSESSOR

The assessor's office is responsible for determining equitable assessments which distribute the Town's tax burden in accordance with state statutes. Assessments are based on fair market value of property and are applied in a fair, equitable and consistent manner.

Your assessing office is continually hard at work: updating tax maps and legal ownership information; responding to assessment inquiries; reviewing and processing exemption requests, timber taxes, abatement requests and current use applications. Information regarding all aspects of property assessment is available through this office.

This year, we had a higher than normal increase to our total town



Donna L. Langley, Town Assessor

wide taxable valuation (commonly referred to as the tax base). Our total tax base increased from \$314,793,529 to \$321,488,104, a nearly \$7 million increase. On average, our tax base increases by approximately \$3 million annually. Increases in the tax base are gener-

ally a result of new construction, remodeling, renovations, subdivisions, etc. Adjustments may also result from market shifts in certain property classes. This year's increase played a major role in our 20¢ per \$1,000 tax rate decrease. Of the three components comprising your tax burden (Town, County and School District), both the Town and County portions decreased in 1996 while the School District portion increased due to increased appropriations.

For information regarding our 1990 - 1996 valuation and tax history, including a breakdown of the Town, School District and County tax rates, please refer to the Budget and Finance section of this Town Report.

Our goal for 1997 is to continue database conversion to an "in house" Computerized Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) program. This will lead to an annual town wide assessment review with updates as needed, by means of sales analysis.

While I understand that we all are burdened by ever increasing property taxes in New Hampshire, some tax relief may be available through the following courses of action: Exemptions/Tax Credits for the Blind, Elderly, Veterans' and Physically Handicapped; Exemptions for Solar Energy Systems; Tax Deferrals for Elderly and Disabled; Current Use assessments; and Abatement requests. Please don't hesitate to contact me for more information.

— Donna L. Langley, CNHA, Town Assessor

Bennett Road looking toward the Packers Falls Intersection, October 1996. (photo courtesy Richard H. Lord)



DURHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

The mission of the Durham Police Department is to improve the quality of life by preserving the peace and safety of the community through the formation of partnerships creating positive interaction between the public and police while continuing to serve the unique needs of the Durham community.

The Durham Police Department consists of dedicated professionals who are committed to a team environment, creatively solving problems. We believe in:

- The value of human life;
- The courage to do what is right;
- Accountability to ourselves and our community; and
- Fairness, compassion and approachability in the performance of our duties; and continuous improvement.

The development of our mission statement was a reaffirmation of the department's commitment to "Pride in Serving our Community." During the past year, the department was organized into two divisions. The Operations component provided day-to-day law enforcement services while Support Services provided administrative duties. Officer Ed Levesque was assigned as Durham's first Community Services Officer and was given the responsibility of developing and implementing programs designed to create and



David Kurz, Police Chief

enhance partnerships with the community.

1996 Accomplishments

- Purchased and began renovations of the "Clipper Building" for Durham's new police facility.
- Continuous review and revamping of policy and procedures designed to eliminate complacency and provide efficient and modern police service to Durham.
- Developed a relationship with the New Hampshire National Guard which has provided \$40,000 worth of vehicles, equipment and other items at no cost to Durham.
- Divided Durham into patrol sectors which reduces response time and increases police presence and visibility.
- Enhanced working relationship with all segments of the

University community.

- Created a positive partnership with the Oyster River School District seeking new and innovative ways to deliver services to our youth.

1997 Goals

- Develop "Durham Cares," a program that will allow those living alone to "check in" on a daily basis with the police department.
- Develop the Durham Fire-Police Unit. A group of volunteers who will assist the police and fire departments in the control of traffic at fires, vehicle accidents or other emergency situations.
- Work with neighborhoods to address their collective concerns pertaining to law enforcement and other public safety issues.
- Develop an in-house training curriculum that will enhance the delivery of modern and cost-effective police services to the Durham community.
- Obtain Level One accreditation from the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the community of Durham for making my first year as your Police Chief a rewarding and fulfilling experience. Everyone has been gracious in their welcome and supportive of many of my initiatives. A special thanks to the men and women of the Durham Police who are continuously striving to develop new and innovative ways to serve

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Public Safety

the community. My sincere appreciation to the Town Council and Town Administrator who have lent guidance and sound advice.

— David Kurz, Police Chief

Police Dept. Statistics

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Aid to Citizens | 1,733 |
| Aid to other agencies | 539 |
| Parking Tickets | 6,222 |
| Escorts | 224 |
| Warnings Issued | 2,691 |
| Summons Issued | 1,762 |
| Criminal Arrest | 318 |
| Non-criminal Investigations.... | 753 |
| Criminal Investigations.... | 1,086 |
| Reportable Accidents | 253 |
| Total | 15,581 |

NH Safety Belt Challenge winners: Jason Baker, Holly Brown, Kelly Watson, Dan Mosley, and sponsor Captain Michael Golding. (Photo courtesy of Michael Golding)



FIRE DEPARTMENT

1996 Accomplishments

- Fire Protection Services Agreement between Town and UNH updated and approved.
- Engine 1 (1975 Mack) refurbished to extend service life 5 additional years.
- Ladder 1 (1980 Seagrave) engine rebuilt.
- Conducted Rail Emergencies Training Seminar for rail corridor communities with Guilford Rail System and Amtrak.
- Presented Emergency Management Plan at 1996 Informational Town Meeting.
- Received NH Highway Safety grant for installation of



Robert Wood, Fire Chief

Opticom (emergency vehicle priority) system at College Road and Main Street intersection.

- Received natural gas emergency

response training from Northern Utilities & established installation inspection program for natural gas.

- Provided National Fire Prevention Week fire safety education programs including creation of "Smudgey the Fire Safety Cat" mascot for juvenile fire safety training.
- Coordinated construction site reviews and inspections at Oyster River Middle School, Jackson's Landing skating rink and multiple UNH capital construction projects.
- Conducted exam and hired new Fire prevention Inspector, Mr. Mark Tetreault.
- Recognized Captain Michael Hoffman and Firefighter William Burns as 1996 Fire

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Other Fire Department Activities 1996

Fire Safety Inspections including: multiple221
occupancy, commercial, home, daycare, and chimney and wood-stove inspections

Reports of fire hazard16

Permits issued/approved

Blasting19

Building120

Burning300

Fireworks Display7

Install/operate fire alarm system26

Install Liquid Propane Gas (LPG) tank4

Install oil burner8

Install fire sprinkler system.....13

Open flame in place of assembly19

Operate place of assembly20

Kerosene heater.....4

Remove underground fuel storage tank.....3

Hot Works2

Fire safety education153

including: fire drills, fire extinguisher classes, other programs (public school programs, dormitory and Greek system programs, station tours, etc.)

Miscellaneous

Major fire investigations.....7

Special event coverage ..42 events

Public Assists9,372

including: fire safety information requests and department business via telephone and walk-in and the above inspections, permits, classes, and special events.

1996 Combined Total

Activities11,465

Officer and Firefighter of the Year-peer recognition awards.

- Coordinated emergency operations during flooding including FEMA disaster assistance and support services during extended power outage due to ice storm.
- Call Firefighter Glenn LaRoche retired after 16 years service with the Fire Department

1997 Goals

- Provide confined space rescue training per NFPA/OSHA guidelines for all personnel.
- Continue to provide full range of fire protection, emergency and technical services in balance with staffing level and resources available.

- Continue to maintain low dollar loss of property due to fire damage accompanied by high life safety emphasis through code enforcement, public education and aggressive suppression tactics and strategy.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our dedicated staff and to all cooperating agencies. We look forward to the continuing challenges of maintaining a fire safety community.

—Robert P. Wood, Fire Chief

Fire Department Activities 1996

| | UNH INCIDENTS | TOWN INCIDENTS |
|--|---------------|----------------|
| Structure fires | 14 | 22 |
| Other fires (vehicle, brush, refuse) | 15 | 22 |
| Emergency medical | 291 | 330 |
| Extrications | 44 | 6 |
| Spills/leaks (no ignition) | 17 | 27 |
| Service calls | 343 | 216 |
| Smoke investigations | 69 | 29 |
| Malicious false alarms | 24 | 15 |
| Unintentional false alarms | 86 | 60 |
| Good intent | 51 | 30 |
| System malfunction | 53 | 28 |
| False calls not classified | 92 | 33 |
| Miscellaneous (assist police, chemical emergencies, arcing electrical equipment) | 66 | 69 |
| Total | 1,171 | 887 |
| <i>Mutual aid provided to other communities</i> | | <i>35</i> |
| Combined Total Incidents | 2,093 | |

FOREST FIRE WARDEN/STATE FIRE RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Fire officials, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing any open burning. 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 of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the NH Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws please call our office at 271-2217.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments.

—Lee A. Gardner, Forest Ranger
Robert P. Wood, Forest Fire Warden

1996 Fire Statistics (Cost Shared)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Belknap | 06 |
| Carroll | 07 |
| Cheshire..... | 13 |
| Coos..... | 10 |
| Grafton | 12 |
| Hillsborough | 19 |
| Merrimack | 14 |
| Rockingham..... | 15 |
| Strafford..... | 05 |
| Sullivan | 06 |

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Smoking..... | 05 |
| Debris burning..... | 34 |
| Campfire | 16 |
| Power line | 04 |
| Railroad | 02 |
| Equipment use | 01 |
| Lightning..... | 02 |
| Children..... | 22 |
| OHRV..... | 01 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 20 |

Washout at Hamel Brook on Newmarket Road, October 1996. (photo courtesy Michael D. Golding)



State crew workers repair Newmarket Road washout at Hamel Brook, October 1996. (photo courtesy Michael D. Golding)



DURHAM AMBULANCE CORPS

The Durham Ambulance Corps is a private, non-profit volunteer service that has provided 24-hour emergency ambulance service to Durham, Lee, Madbury and the University of New Hampshire since 1968 in memory of Dr. George G. McGregor. The Durham Ambulance Corps takes pride in almost 30 years of providing some of the most sophisticated and progressive emergency care in the area.

1996 was a busy year for the DAC with 899 responses to emergency medical calls. There were 347 calls in Durham (38.6%), 293 calls to the UNH campus (32.6%), 163 calls in Lee (18.1%), 63 calls in Madbury (7.0%) and 33 mutual aid calls to other communities (3.7%).

1996 Accomplishments

- The Corps began a program to recruit permanent area residents for active membership in order to alleviate personnel shortage when UNH is not in session. This program includes scholarship for members to attend Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training. There will be an ongoing recruitment and retention program to help ensure that the Corps can continue to meet the needs of the communities.
- The Corps started the process of renovating and expanding our office, bunk room and storage

spaces to ease overcrowding and to better meet our needs for the next several years. We have implemented planning to move to a larger facility within the next ten to fifteen years.

- We continue to assess the quality of service we provide by sending service evaluation forms to patients and analyzing the results.
- DAC sponsored a CPR training marathon as well as many smaller CPR and First Aid training courses. The Corps continues to present safety education (such as 911 information, child passenger safety, bicycle safety, etc.) at community events such as fairs and community picnics.

1997 Goals

- We will continue to explore community needs for additional services such as a stand-by coverage, non-emergency transfers, and mobile health care. We will explore cooperative arrangements with other area public service and health care agencies to ensure that the needs of the communities are met in the future.
- The Corps will conduct a fund drive to raise money for the McGregor Memorial and Building Funds. Money in these funds is used only for purchases of non-expendable equipment and to renovate, purchase or construct station facilities.
- We will continue annual training and policy review/revision to comply with OSHA guidelines

for Tuberculosis, Bloodborne Pathogens and Hazardous Materials.

- The Corps will finalize the renovation and expansion of the existing station which will meet our needs for approximately ten years.

We owe a great deal of thanks to the communities and citizens of Durham, Lee, Madbury and UNH for their continued support, and especially for their generous response to our fund-raising efforts. We would also like to thank the Durham, Lee and Madbury Fire Departments, the Durham-UNH Communications Center and the Durham, UNH, Lee and Madbury Police Departments for their support. Most of all, we would like to thank all the DAC volunteers for their many hours of dedicated service.

Emergency: 862-1212

Business: 862-3674

— Susan J. Bruns, President
Patrick D. Ahearn, Administrative V.P.
Mary C. Davis, Manager
Lisa Keiski, Secretary
Jennifer Gingras, Operations Vice President
Karen N. Henny, Training Coordinator
Jean L. Robertson, Treasurer

DURHAM-UNH COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

The Durham-UNH Communications Center continues to provide a wide variety of emergency and non-emergency services to the Town of Durham and the University of New Hampshire, as well as to several neighboring communities

The Communications Center continued to experience a high turnover in personnel in 1996, as has been the case for the past several years. Three full-time dispatchers moved on to new careers. Thus a great deal of time and energy was spent on hiring and training new personnel. It takes two to three months just to properly train a new dispatcher within our Center. Seven full-time dispatchers make up the Center's dispatching team.

The Center continues to provide police, fire, and ambulance dispatching services for the Towns of Lee and Madbury, and fire department dispatching services for the Town of Barrington. Effective July 1, 1996 the Town of Newington chose to have its fire and ambulance dispatching services handled by the Rockingham County Dispatch Center, rather than by the Durham-UNH Communications Center. For many years, prior to this date, we had been handling the Newington fire and ambulance dispatching services.

Despite having a new core of employees, the Center maintains a commitment to providing the best possible level of service to the communities we serve. It is important for all to realize that the Center handles a multitude of tasks for the Towns of Durham, Lee, Madbury, Barrington, and the University of New Hampshire. It is almost always very busy within the Communications Center. Quite often several incidents are happening at the same time. During 1996 the Center logged more than 31,000 incidents.

One of the services we offer is alarms monitoring. Currently the Communications Center monitors fire, burglar, panic, and medical aid type alarms for businesses and private residences in Durham, Lee, Madbury, and Barrington. If you would like information on our

alarms monitoring program for your home or business please contact Lt. James Young, Jr., the Communications Center Coordinator at 862-1392. Lt. Young is also available to discuss any issues, questions, or concerns you may have about our dispatching services.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend by sincere thanks and appreciation to the dedicated staff of the Durham-UNH Communications Center, and to all the town agencies that we have worked with during the past year. Our goal for 1997 is to provide the highest level of service possible, to all of the communities which we serve.

—Lt. James A. Young, Jr., Coordinator,
Durham-UNH Communications Center

The Lamprey River surging through the Packers Falls Bridge, October 1996. (photo courtesy Richard H. Lord)





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Valuation and Tax History

| | 1996 BUDGET | UNAUDITED EXPENDITURES FY ENDING 12/31/96 | FY1997 COUNCIL APPROVED |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| REVENUE SOURCES | | | |
| General Fund | | | |
| Taxes | \$3,127,848.00 | \$3,165,303.84 | \$3,301,561.00 |
| Licenses & Permits | \$502,500.00 | \$527,352.75 | \$493,800.00 |
| State & Federal | \$354,570.00 | \$572,231.77 | \$361,496.00 |
| Other Governments | \$627,763.00 | \$580,540.55 | \$868,119.00 |
| Department Revenues | \$314,961.00 | \$382,393.00 | \$325,018.00 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues | \$309,401.00 | \$336,084.58 | \$327,625.00 |
| Fund Balance | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$100,000.00 |
| Total General Fund | \$5,237,043.00 | \$5,563,906.49 | \$5,777,619.00 |
| Water Fund | \$347,503.00 | \$369,845.91 | \$357,928.00 |
| Sewer Fund | \$1,048,338.00 | \$1,099,641.19 | \$1,080,191.00 |
| Capital Fund | \$1,478,300.00 | \$1,785,169.35 | \$655,001.00 |
| Total All Funds | \$8,111,184.00 | \$8,818,562.94 | \$7,870,739.00 |

EXPENDITURES

General Government

| | | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Town Council | \$21,000.00 | \$28,183.45 | \$21,500.00 |
| Town Administrator | \$93,540.00 | \$92,754.88 | \$140,848.00 |
| Treasurer | \$1,300.00 | \$1,250.00 | \$1,300.00 |
| Town Clerk / Tax Collector | \$74,220.00 | \$75,578.15 | \$79,224.00 |
| Business Manager | \$148,226.00 | \$148,379.52 | \$183,994.00 |
| Elections | \$6,325.00 | \$8,262.53 | \$1,800.00 |
| Planning & Zoning | \$98,908.00 | \$86,173.21 | \$89,811.00 |
| Strafford Regional Planning Commission | \$4,012.00 | \$4,012.00 | \$4,012.00 |
| C.O.A.S.T. | \$5,253.00 | \$5,253.00 | \$5,253.00 |
| Other General Costs | \$113,568.00 | \$199,955.18 | \$120,000.00 |
| General Government Total | \$566,352.00 | \$649,801.92 | \$647,742.00 |

Public Safety

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Police Department | \$777,960.00 | \$909,708.34 | \$815,768.00 |
| Fire Department | \$894,168.00 | \$932,489.46 | \$999,971.00 |
| Communications Center | \$114,249.00 | \$102,399.11 | \$117,104.00 |
| Ambulance Services | \$33,337.00 | \$20,075.43 | \$29,922.00 |
| Public Safety Total | \$1,819,714.00 | \$1,964,672.34 | \$1,962,765.00 |

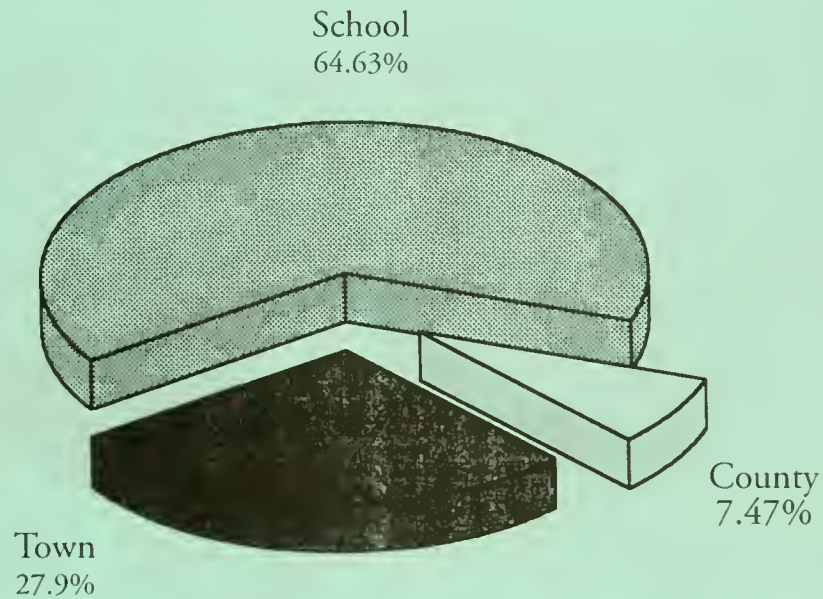
| | 1996 BUDGET | UNAUDITED EXPENDITURES FY ENDING 12/31/96 | FY1997 COUNCIL APPROVED |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Public Works | | | |
| Administration | \$71,396.00 | \$66,777.45 | \$92,500.00 |
| Roadway Maintenance | \$229,491.00 | \$241,083.26 | \$223,114.00 |
| Snow / Ice Control | \$127,643.00 | \$162,250.08 | \$122,690.00 |
| Drainage / Vegetation | \$47,541.00 | \$21,190.51 | \$45,184.00 |
| Traffic Control | \$74,958.00 | \$76,287.99 | \$78,536.00 |
| Maintenance / Repair | \$139,981.00 | \$143,151.49 | \$135,508.00 |
| Miscellaneous | \$113,301.00 | \$139,294.46 | \$101,676.00 |
| Public Buildings | \$58,762.00 | \$37,398.08 | \$60,556.00 |
| Cemeteries / Graveyards | \$10,304.00 | \$7,605.42 | \$10,306.00 |
| Parks & Grounds Maintenance | \$71,413.00 | \$60,448.82 | \$77,948.00 |
| Public Works Total | \$944,790.00 | \$955,487.56 | \$948,018.00 |
| Sanitation | | | |
| Administration | \$41,104.00 | \$43,386.99 | \$43,288.00 |
| Curbside Collection | \$156,051.00 | \$120,007.20 | \$160,369.00 |
| Transfer Station | \$71,131.00 | \$65,254.01 | \$81,134.00 |
| Litter Removal | \$8,616.00 | \$5,286.63 | \$8,669.00 |
| Recycling | \$86,046.00 | \$90,597.55 | \$91,034.00 |
| Hazardous Waste Day | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| Sanitation Total | \$362,948.00 | \$324,532.38 | \$389,494.00 |
| Health | | | |
| Health Department | \$1,200.00 | \$1,400.00 | \$1,700.00 |
| Animal Control | \$2,470.00 | \$499.00 | \$0.00 |
| Lamprey Health | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| Sexual Assault Support Services | \$1,583.00 | \$1,583.00 | \$1,583.00 |
| Health Total | \$8,253.00 | \$6,482.00 | \$6,283.00 |
| Welfare | | | |
| General Assistance | \$2,000.00 | \$1,276.60 | \$2,000.00 |
| Strafford C.A.C. | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| My Friend's Place | \$2,000.00 | \$4,000.00 | \$2,000.00 |
| Welfare Total | \$5,000.00 | \$6,276.60 | \$5,000.00 |
| Culture and Recreation | | | |
| Parks & Recreation Committee | \$1,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Public Library | \$42,711.00 | \$32,033.25 | \$42,711.00 |
| Parks & Recreation Program | \$54,100.00 | \$49,018.04 | \$48,640.00 |
| O.R.Y.A. | \$17,251.00 | \$0.00 | \$17,251.00 |
| Memorial Day | \$450.00 | \$450.00 | \$450.00 |
| Conservation Commission | \$2,600.00 | \$1,860.40 | \$2,600.00 |
| Historic District Commission | \$200.00 | \$34.28 | \$200.00 |
| Historic Association Museum | \$1,500.00 | \$2,231.89 | \$1,500.00 |

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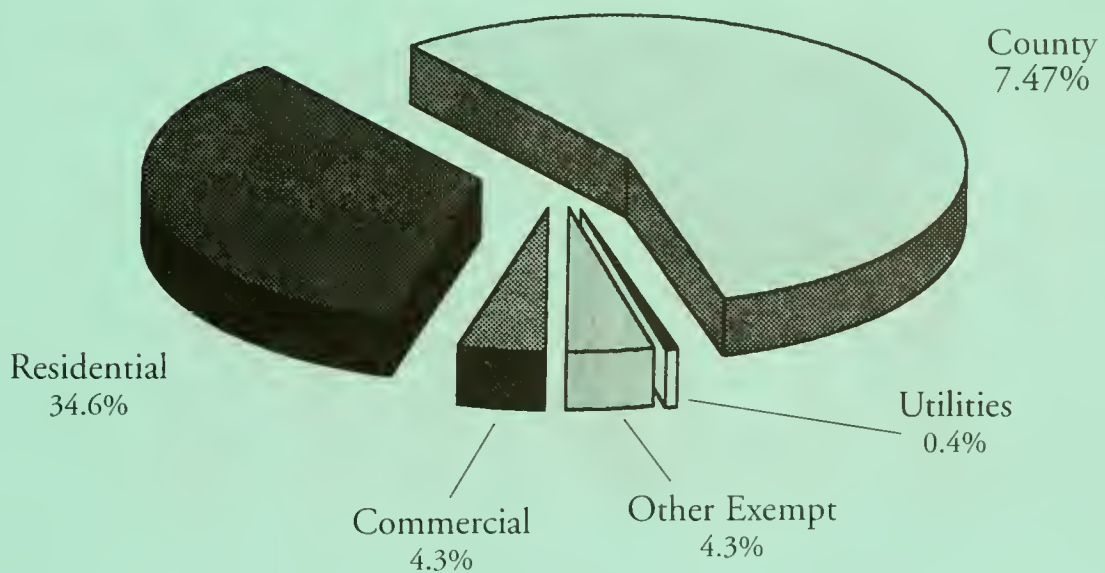
Budget & Finance

| | 1996 BUDGET | UNAUDITED EXPENDITURES FY ENDING 12/31/96 | FY 1997 COUNCIL APPROVED |
|---|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <i>Culture & Recreation (continued)</i> | | | |
| Resident Pool Rebate | \$12,500.00 | \$12,124.00 | \$15,000.00 |
| Swans | \$700.00 | \$82.45 | \$500.00 |
| July 4th | \$5,600.00 | \$5,600.00 | \$5,600.00 |
| Wagon Hill | \$16,818.00 | \$17,117.34 | \$8,830.00 |
| Mill Pond Restoration | \$0.00 | \$194.80 | \$0.00 |
| Durham Business Park | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Culture & Recreation Total | \$155,430.00 | \$120,746.45 | \$144,282.00 |
| Debt Service | | | |
| Principal | \$244,000.00 | \$100,000.00 | \$343,286.00 |
| Interest | \$173,061.00 | \$96,170.50 | \$233,792.00 |
| Debt Service Total | \$417,061.00 | \$196,170.50 | \$577,078.00 |
| Other Costs | | | |
| Short - Term Debt | \$187,000.00 | \$29,110.18 | \$157,000.00 |
| Fringe Benefits | \$690,495.00 | \$712,151.24 | \$849,957.00 |
| Insurance | \$80,000.00 | \$71,037.50 | \$75,000.00 |
| Interfund Transfers | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$15,000.00 |
| Capital Reserve | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Other Costs Total | \$957,495.00 | \$812,298.92 | \$1,096,957.00 |
| Total General Fund | \$5,237,043.00 | \$5,036,468.67 | \$5,777,619.00 |
| Other Funds | | | |
| Water Fund | \$347,503.00 | \$174,853.17 | \$357,928.00 |
| Sewer Fund | \$1,048,338.00 | \$949,462.79 | \$1,080,191.00 |
| Capital Fund | \$1,478,300.00 | \$1,283,282.43 | \$655,001.00 |
| Other Funds Total | \$2,874,141.00 | \$2,407,598.39 | \$2,093,120.00 |
| COMBINED TOTALS | \$8,111,184.00 | \$7,444,067.06 | \$7,870,739.00 |

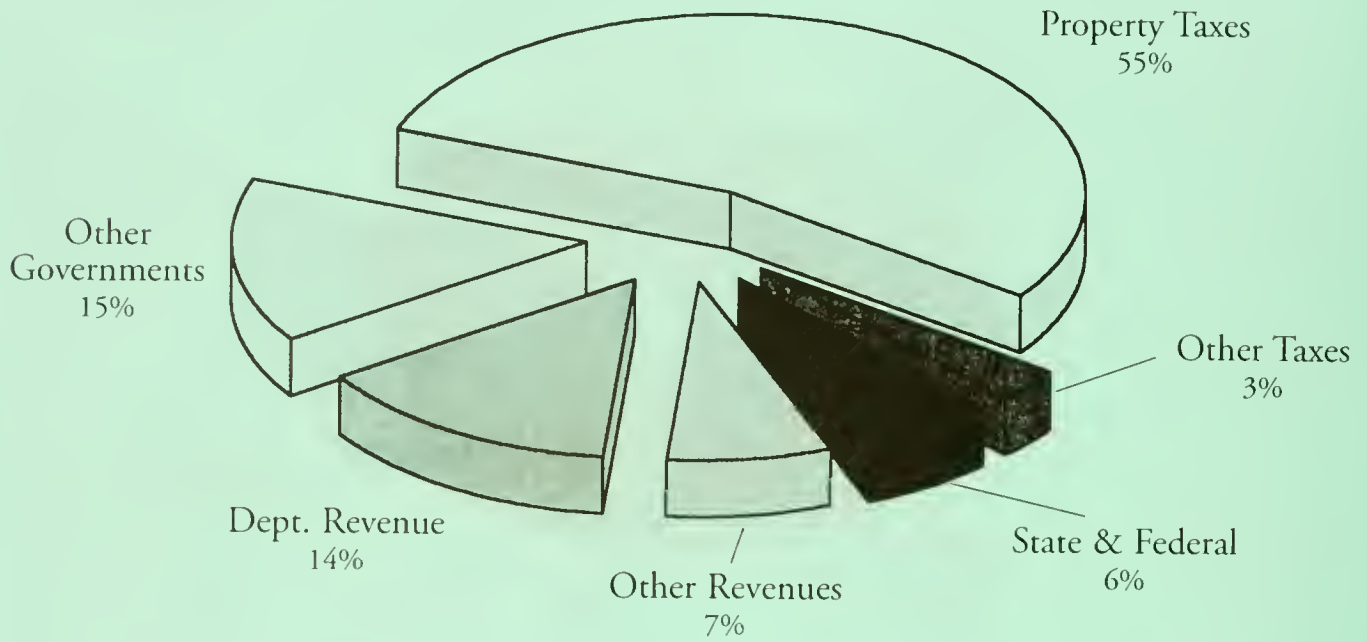
TAX RATE BREAKDOWN FOR 1996



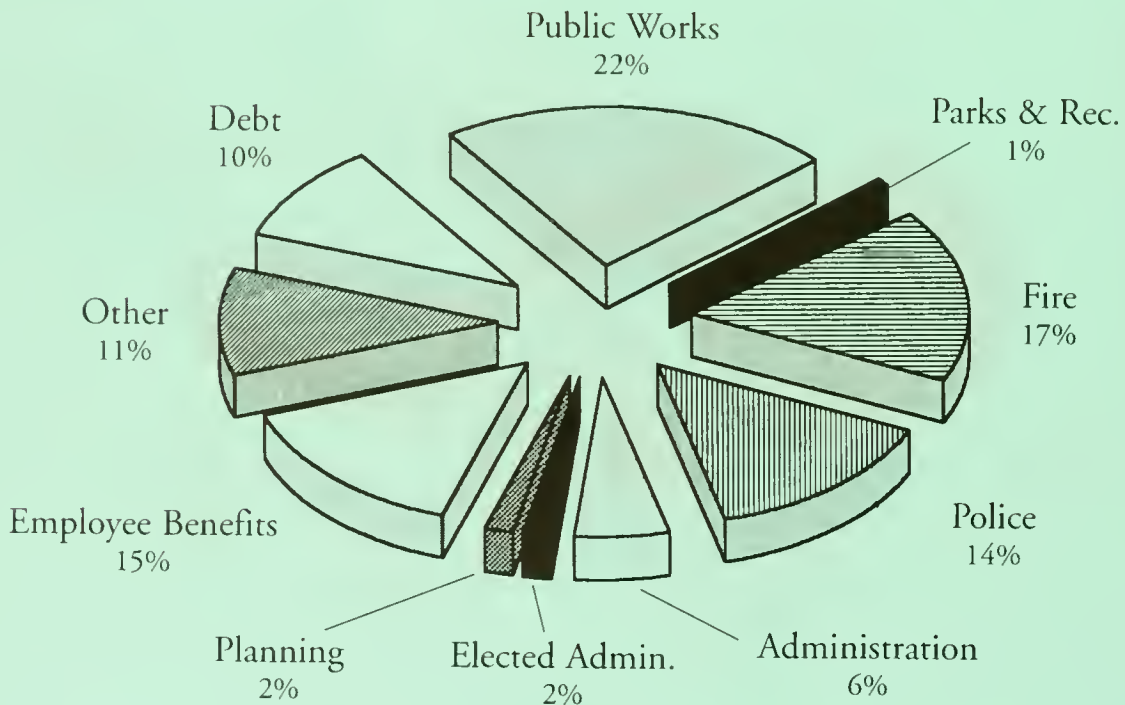
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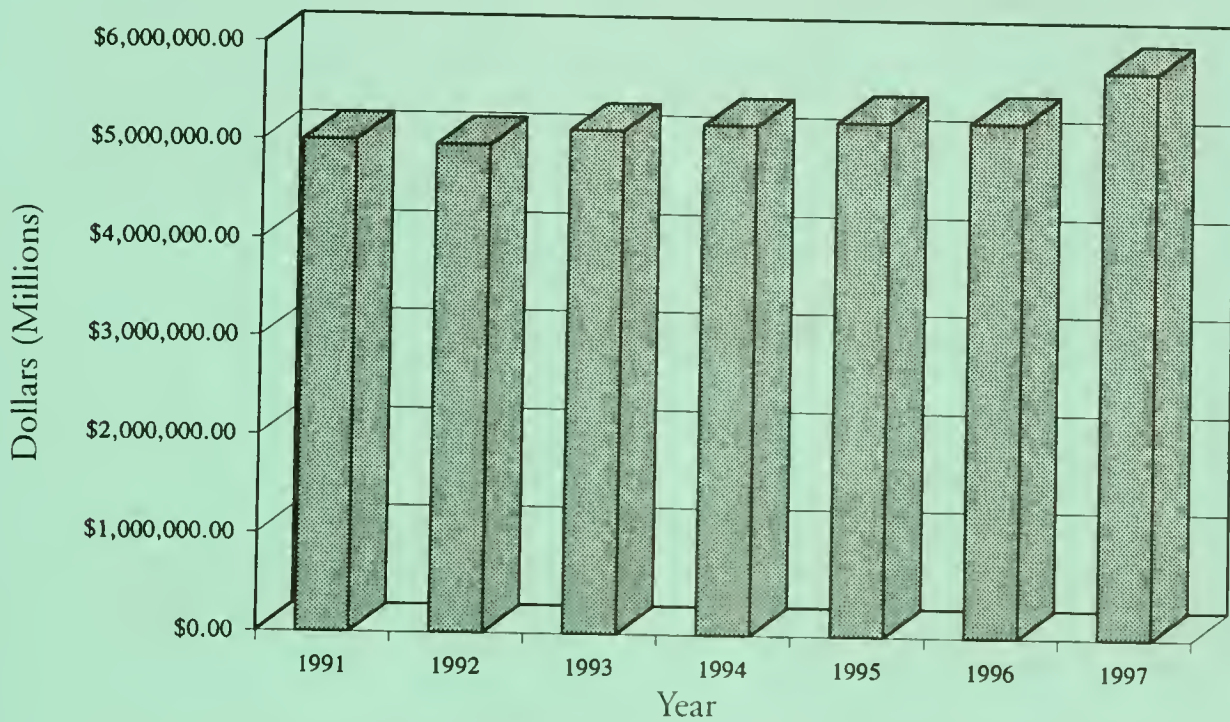
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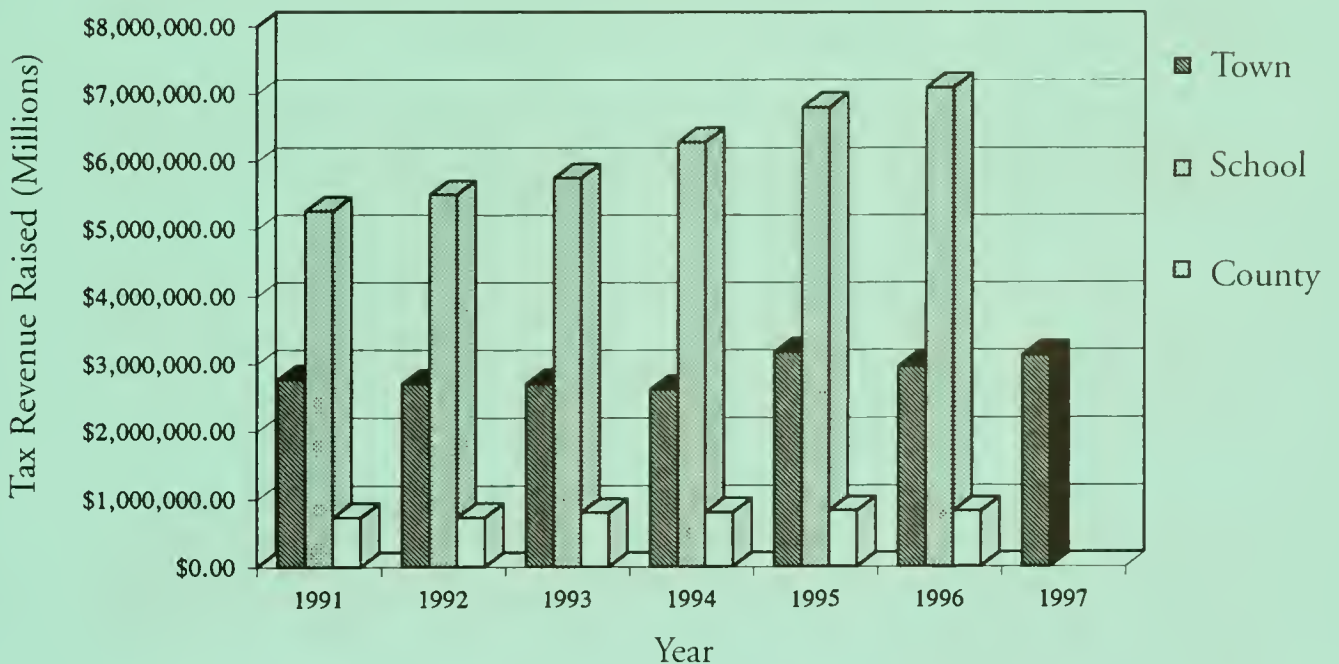
PROPOSED 1997 TOWN BUDGET EXPENDITURES



TOWN BUDGET COMPARISON 1991 - 1997



TAX RATE COMPARISON 1991 - 1997



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Town Council
Town of Durham, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire'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 generally accepted auditing standards. 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 general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully described in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

As described in Note 1, the Town has recognized tax revenues of \$1,100,544 in the General Fund which were not received in cash within sixty days of year end as is required by generally accepted accounting principles (GASB Interpretation 3). Town officials believe, and we concur, that the application of this accounting principle, which would result in a decrease in the General Fund balance from \$402,692 to (\$697,852), would give a misleading impression of the Town's ability to meet its current and future obligations.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general purpose financial statements of the omission described in the third paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Durham, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1995, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining financial statements and schedules listed 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 Durham, New Hampshire. 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.

Wachon, Kelley & Co., PC

May 30, 1996

Budget & Finance

TOWN OF DURIAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups December 31, 1995

| | Governmental Fund Types | | Fiduciary Fund Types Trust & Agency | Account Group | | Totals | |
|---|-------------------------|------------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---|
| | General | Special Revenue | | Capital Projects | General | Long-Term Debt | (Memorandum Only) December 31, 1995 |
| ASSETS | | | | | | | |
| Cash | \$3,030,618 | \$51,347 | | \$22,541 | | \$3,104,506 | \$2,037,638 |
| Investments | | | | 1,310,475 | | 1,310,475 | 1,172,828 |
| Receivables: | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | 1,495,766 | | | | | 1,495,766 | 1,623,381 |
| Accounts | 54,142 | 69,105 | | | | 123,247 | 112,873 |
| Due from other funds | 20,409 | 488,772 | \$186,467 | 267,002 | | 962,650 | 458,088 |
| Due from other governments | 41,785 | 170,037 | 13,365 | 22,019 | | 247,206 | 419,403 |
| Prepaid expenses | 27,736 | | | | | 27,736 | 24,881 |
| Tax decded property | 4,643 | | | | | 4,643 | 4,643 |
| Amount to be provided for retirement of long-term obligations | | | | | \$6,633,230 | 6,633,230 | 7,063,648 |
| Total Assets | <u>\$4,675,099</u> | <u>\$779,261</u> | <u>\$199,832</u> | <u>\$1,622,037</u> | <u>\$6,633,230</u> | <u>\$13,909,459</u> | <u>\$12,917,383</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY | | | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$174,583 | \$30,574 | \$16,489 | \$122,388 | | \$221,646 | \$351,612 |
| Accrued liabilities | 51,756 | | 3,826 | 18,901 | | 177,970 | 145,967 |
| Deposits | 20,708 | | | 108,801 | | 39,609 | 36,328 |
| Due to other funds | 626,720 | 227,129 | | | | 962,650 | 458,088 |
| Due to other governments | 3,294,835 | 259,217 | 5,703 | | | 3,559,755 | 3,376,944 |
| Retainage payable | | | 2,756 | | | 2,756 | |
| Deferred revenue | 6,500 | | | | | 6,500 | 8,875 |
| Bond anticipation note payable | | | 500,000 | | | 500,000 | |
| General obligation debt payable | | | | | \$6,255,882 | 6,255,882 | 6,796,757 |
| Other long-term obligations | | | | | 164,389 | 164,389 | 68,294 |
| Compensated absences | 10,000 | | | | 212,959 | 222,959 | 208,597 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>4,185,102</u> | <u>516,920</u> | <u>528,774</u> | <u>250,090</u> | <u>6,633,230</u> | <u>12,114,116</u> | <u>11,451,462</u> |
| Fund Balance (Deficit): | | | | | | | |
| Reserved: | | | | | | | |
| Reserved for tax decded property | 4,643 | | | | | 4,643 | 4,643 |
| Reserved for prepaid expenses | 27,736 | | | | | 27,736 | 24,881 |
| Reserved for endowments | | | | 148,990 | | 148,990 | 143,934 |
| Unreserved: | | | | | | | |
| Designated for future years' expenditures | 54,926 | 17,500 | 82,646 | 1,208,734 | | 1,363,806 | 1,117,868 |
| Undesignated | 402,692 | 244,841 | (411,588) | 14,223 | | 250,168 | 174,595 |
| Total Fund Equity | <u>489,997</u> | <u>262,341</u> | <u>(328,942)</u> | <u>1,371,947</u> | | <u>1,795,343</u> | <u>1,465,921</u> |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Equity | <u>\$4,675,099</u> | <u>\$779,261</u> | <u>\$199,832</u> | <u>\$1,622,037</u> | <u>\$6,633,230</u> | <u>\$13,909,459</u> | <u>\$12,917,383</u> |

TOWN OF DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

All Governmental and Similar Trust Fund Types

For the Year Ended December 31, 1995

| | Governmental Fund Types | | | Fiduciary | Totals | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------|
| | General | Special Revenue | Capital Projects | Expendable Trust Funds | (Memorandum Only) For the Years Ended December 31, | |
| | | | | | 1995 | 1994 |
| Revenues: | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$3,287,706 | \$4,376 | | | \$3,292,082 | \$2,499,588 |
| Licenses and permits | 493,426 | | | | 493,426 | 490,850 |
| Intergovernmental revenues | 989,083 | 273,665 | \$13,365 | \$58,035 | 1,334,148 | 1,546,119 |
| Charges for service | 316,379 | 1,186,204 | | | 1,502,583 | 1,296,161 |
| Miscellaneous revenues | 338,947 | 25,927 | 10,010 | 55,716 | 430,600 | 426,706 |
| Total Revenues | 5,425,541 | 1,490,172 | 23,375 | 113,751 | 7,052,839 | 6,259,424 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | |
| Current: | | | | | | |
| General government | 1,559,635 | 232 | | | 1,559,867 | 1,606,940 |
| Public safety | 1,654,890 | | | | 1,654,890 | 1,564,233 |
| Highways and streets | 936,305 | | | | 936,305 | 930,312 |
| Sanitation | 405,925 | 579,713 | | | 985,638 | 939,336 |
| Water treatment and distribution | | 230,493 | | | 230,493 | 281,162 |
| Capital outlay | | 10,677 | 490,456 | | 501,133 | 625,836 |
| Debt service: | | | | | | |
| Principal retirement | 248,654 | 292,221 | | | 540,875 | 824,261 |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 322,967 | 160,301 | | | 483,268 | 489,673 |
| Total Expenditures | 5,128,376 | 1,273,637 | 490,456 | | 6,892,469 | 7,261,753 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | 297,165 | 216,535 | (467,081) | 113,751 | 160,370 | (1,002,329) |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses): | | | | | | |
| Proceeds of long-term debt | | | 164,389 | | 164,389 | 642,368 |
| Operating transfers in | 10,823 | | 150,147 | 132,561 | 293,531 | 136,055 |
| Operating transfers out | (43,201) | (172,425) | | (57,470) | (273,096) | (136,055) |
| Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) | (32,378) | (172,425) | 314,536 | 75,091 | 184,824 | 642,368 |
| Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses | 264,787 | 44,110 | (152,545) | 188,842 | 345,194 | (359,961) |
| Fund Balances (Deficit) - January 1 | 225,210 | 218,231 | (176,397) | 1,019,892 | 1,286,936 | 1,646,897 |
| Fund Balances (Deficit) - December 31 | \$489,997 | \$262,341 | (\$328,942) | \$1,208,734 | \$1,632,130 | \$1,286,936 |

Budget & Finance

TOWN OF DURIAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budgetary Basis - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 1995

| | General Fund | | | Special Revenue Funds | | | Totals (Memorandum Only) | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Budget | Actual | Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) | Budget | Actual | Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) | Budget | Actual | Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$3,238,870 | \$3,287,706 | \$48,836 | | | | \$3,238,870 | \$3,287,706 | \$48,836 |
| Licenses and permits | 389,720 | 493,426 | 103,706 | | | | 389,720 | 493,426 | 103,706 |
| Intergovernmental revenues | 991,913 | 989,083 | (2,830) | \$119,758 | \$273,665 | \$153,907 | 1,111,671 | 1,262,748 | 151,077 |
| Charges for service | 203,780 | 316,379 | 112,599 | 1,231,772 | 1,186,204 | (45,568) | 1,435,552 | 1,502,583 | 67,031 |
| Miscellaneous revenues | 336,550 | 338,947 | 2,397 | 15,500 | 24,531 | 9,031 | 352,050 | 363,478 | 11,428 |
| Total Revenues | 5,160,833 | 5,425,541 | 264,708 | 1,367,030 | 1,484,400 | 117,370 | 6,527,863 | 6,909,941 | 382,078 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| Current: | | | | | | | | | |
| General government | 1,610,679 | 1,559,635 | 51,044 | | | | 1,610,679 | 1,559,635 | 51,044 |
| Public safety | 1,637,154 | 1,654,890 | (17,736) | | | | 1,637,154 | 1,654,890 | (17,736) |
| Highways and streets | 945,711 | 936,305 | 9,406 | | | | 945,711 | 936,305 | 9,406 |
| Sanitation | 372,048 | 405,925 | (33,877) | 556,534 | 579,713 | (23,179) | 928,582 | 985,638 | (57,056) |
| Water treatment and distribution | | | | 262,302 | 230,493 | 31,809 | 262,302 | 230,493 | 31,809 |
| Capital outlay | | | | 15,770 | 10,677 | 5,093 | 15,770 | 10,677 | 5,093 |
| Debt service: | | | | | | | | | |
| Principal retirement | 226,904 | 248,654 | (21,750) | | | | 226,904 | 248,654 | (21,750) |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 360,981 | 322,967 | 38,014 | | | | 360,981 | 322,967 | 38,014 |
| Total Expenditures | 5,153,477 | 5,128,376 | 25,101 | 1,326,743 | 1,273,405 | 53,338 | 6,480,220 | 6,401,781 | 78,439 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | 7,356 | 297,165 | 289,809 | 40,287 | 210,995 | 170,708 | 47,643 | 508,160 | 460,517 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses): | | | | | | | | | |
| Operating transfers in | 35,000 | 10,823 | (24,177) | | | | 35,000 | 10,823 | (24,177) |
| Operating transfers out | (25,000) | (43,201) | (18,201) | (25,000) | (171,602) | (146,602) | (50,000) | (214,803) | (164,803) |
| Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) | 10,000 | (32,378) | (42,378) | (25,000) | (171,602) | (146,602) | (15,000) | (203,980) | (188,980) |
| Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses | 17,356 | 264,787 | 247,431 | 15,287 | 39,393 | 24,106 | 32,643 | 304,180 | 271,537 |
| Fund Balances - January 1 | 225,210 | 225,210 | | 156,735 | 156,735 | | 381,945 | 381,945 | |
| Fund Balances - December 31 | \$242,566 | \$489,997 | \$247,431 | \$172,022 | \$196,128 | \$24,106 | \$414,588 | \$686,125 | \$271,537 |

TOWN OF DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances

All Non-Expendable Trust Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 1995

| | 1995 | (Memorandum Only) 1994 |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Operating Revenues: | | |
| Investment income | \$9,225 | \$8,582 |
| Operating Expenses: | | |
| Contractual services | 11,118 | 9,471 |
| Operating loss | <u>(1,893)</u> | <u>(889)</u> |
| Non-operating revenues (expenses): | | |
| Bequests | 4,680 | 3,625 |
| Net gain (loss) on investment transactions | 1,876 | (1,582) |
| Non-operating revenues | <u>6,556</u> | <u>2,043</u> |
| Net Income Before Operating Transfers | 4,663 | 1,154 |
| Operating Transfer Out | <u>(20,435)</u> | <u> </u> |
| Net Income (Loss) | (15,772) | 1,154 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | <u>178,985</u> | <u>177,831</u> |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | <u><u>\$163,213</u></u> | <u><u>\$178,985</u></u> |

TOWN OF DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combined Statement of Cash Flows

All Non-Expendable Trust Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 1995

| | 1995 | (Memorandum Only) 1994 |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Interest and dividends on investments | \$9,225 | \$8,582 |
| Cash payments for contractual services | (11,127) | (2,694) |
| Net cash provided (used) by operating activities | <u>(1,902)</u> | <u>5,888</u> |
| Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: | | |
| Operating transfer out | (20,435) | |
| Bequests received | 4,680 | 3,625 |
| Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities | <u>(15,755)</u> | <u>3,625</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Net decrease in investment securities | 399 | 11,334 |
| Net gain (loss) on investment transactions | 1,876 | (1,582) |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | <u>2,275</u> | <u>9,752</u> |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash | (15,382) | 19,265 |
| Cash - January 1 | <u>51,410</u> | <u>32,145</u> |
| Cash - December 31 | <u><u>\$36,028</u></u> | <u><u>\$51,410</u></u> |
| Reconciliation of Net Operating Loss to Net Cash | | |
| Provided (Used) by Operating Activities: | | |
| Operating loss | (\$1,893) | (\$889) |
| Adjustments to Reconcile Net Operating Loss to Net Cash | | |
| Provided (Used) by Operating Activities: | | |
| (Increase) decrease in interfund payable | (9) | 6,777 |
| Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities | <u><u>(\$1,902)</u></u> | <u><u>\$5,888</u></u> |

STATEMENT OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS Payments 1-1-96

| DESCRIPTION OF BONDS/ LOANS | LOAN DATE | PRINCIPAL | RATE | DUE DATE | PRINCIPAL PAID | BALANCE | INTEREST PAID | BALANCE |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|----------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Land Acquisition/Equipment | 12-15-89 | \$3,920,000 | 6.66% | 12-15-09 | \$175,000 | \$2,275,000 | \$162,925 | \$1,071,96 |
| General Obligation Bond | 7-15-92 | \$666,000 | 4.33% | 7-15-99 | \$100,000 | \$235,000 | \$14,690 | \$19,570 |
| State Revolving Loan Fund | 6-18-93 | \$3,366,018 | 3.91% | 6-18-08 | \$182,748 | \$2,838,134 | \$118,041 | \$771,320 |
| Davis/White Land Acquisition | 9-15-94 | \$500,000 | 5.74% | 9-15-04 | \$50,000 | \$400,000 | \$26,450 | \$101,600 |
| Total | | \$8,452,018 | | | \$507,748 | \$5,748,134 | \$322,106 | \$1,964,460 |

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS REPORT

| NAME OF TRUST FUND | PRINCIPAL BALANCE 1/1/96 | CHANGE IN FUNDS | PRINCIPAL BALANCE 12/31/96 | INCOME BALANCE 1/1/96 | INCOME 1/1/96 | EXPENDED | BALANCE END OF YEAR | COMBINED FUND BAL. 12/31/96 |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Capital Reserve Funds NOTE: All Capital Reserve Funds are in U.S. Government obligations and money market. | | | | | | | | |
| Parking Fund | \$75,301.00 | \$0 | \$75,301.00 | \$25,860.01 | \$5,451.93 | \$0 | \$31,311.94 | \$106,612.94 |
| Fire Equipment | 40,215.00 | 0 | 40,215.00 | 14,123.94 | 2,928.52 | 0 | 17,052.46 | 57,267.46 |
| Wiswall Dam | 216.69 | 0 | 216.69 | 3,527.32 | 201.79 | 0 | 3,729.11 | 3,945.80 |
| Fire Service Agrmnt. | 84,989.60 | 0 | 84,989.60 | 12,250.92 | 5,240.64 | 0 | 17,491.56 | 102,481.16 |
| Community Devel. | 531,229.42 | 93.00 | 531,322.42 | 88,288.75 | 33,368.82 | 70,840.00 | 50,817.57 | 582,139.99 |
| Solid Waste Truck | 8,625.00 | 0 | 8,625.00 | 2,340.39 | 590.98 | 0 | 2,931.37 | 11,556.37 |
| Res. Water Service | 72,724.39 | 22,018.54 | 94,742.93 | 4,947.38 | 4,798.76 | 0 | 9,746.14 | 104,489.07 |
| Mill Pond | 1,295.30 | 0 | 1,295.30 | 111.52 | 75.82 | 0 | 187.34 | 1,482.64 |
| Sewer Fund | 12,282.93 | 0 | 12,282.93 | 648.12 | 696.89 | 0 | 1,345.01 | 13,627.94 |
| Emerson Road | 20,000.00 | 0 | 20,000.00 | 569.76 | 1,108.57 | 0 | 1,678.33 | 21,678.33 |
| Total | \$846,879.33 | \$22,111.54 | \$868,990.87 | \$152,668.11 | \$54,462.72 | \$70,840.00 | \$136,290.83 | \$1,005,281.70 |

| NAME OF TRUST FUND | PRINCIPAL BALANCE 1/1/96 | CHANGE IN FUNDS | PRINCIPAL BALANCE 12/31/96 | INCOME BALANCE 1/1/96 | INCOME 1/1/96 | EXPENSE | INCOME BALANCE 12/31/96 |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 44 Separate Trust Funds | \$19,919.14 | \$29.14 | \$19,948.57 | \$4,349.04 | \$1,293.32 | \$1,053.35 | \$4,589.01 |
| Smith Fund (Town Improvement) | 5,789.94 | 8.47 | 5,798.12 | 12,095.78 | 953.16 | 861.40 | 12,187.54 |
| Durham 250 Fund (Town Improvement) | 5,054.49 | 23.40 | 5,077.89 | 1,888.97 | 370.03 | 53.60 | 2,205.40 |
| Smith Chapel Fund (Cemetery Care) | 6,330.98 | 109.26 | 6,440.24 | 620.02 | 370.43 | 333.59 | 656.86 |
| Phillipa Wiley Fund (Unfunded Graveyards) | 1,807.36 | 2.64 | 1,810.00 | 457.00 | 120.67 | 19.17 | 558.50 |
| Wagon Hill Fund (Memorial) | 369.96 | 0.54 | 370.50 | 92.59 | 24.65 | 3.92 | 113.32 |
| Tirrell Fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 307.26 | 16.37 | 0 | 323.63 |
| George Ffrost Fund (Education) | 3,530.62 | 5.17 | 3,535.79 | 5,085.91 | 459.19 | 537.44 | 5,007.66 |
| Olinthus Doe Fund (Farm Care/School Suppt.) | 4,733.27 | 6.93 | 4,740.20 | 3,558.23 | 441.87 | 1,345.20 | 2,654.90 |
| Town Cemetery Fund (Cemetery Care) | 101,454.50 | 3,298.48 | 104,752.98 | 6,202.87 | 5,737.22 | 6,223.91 | 5,716.18 |
| Library Scr. Expen. Trust (Library Services) | 0 | 150,000.00 | 150,000.00 | 0 | 112.80 | 0 | 112.80 |
| Memorial Park | 0 | 5,100.00 | 5,100.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total of All Trusts | \$148,990.26 | \$158,584.03 | \$307,574.29 | \$34,657.67 | \$9,899.71 | \$10,431.58 | \$34,125.80 |

NOTE: All Funds are invested in a common Trust Fund except the Library Services Trust, which is an individual account.

Valuation and Tax History

1990-1996 VALUATION FIGURES

| YEAR | PERCENT OF VALUATION | TAXABLE VALUATION |
|------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1996 | *96% | \$321,488,104 |
| 1995 | 96% | \$314,793,529 |
| 1994 | 97% | \$313,867,343 |
| 1993 | 98% | \$311,186,010 |
| 1992 | 127% | \$405,083,660 |
| 1991 | 124% | \$401,134,319 |

*estimate of percent of valuation

1996 MS-1 SUMMARY

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Total Taxable Land | \$104,428,434 |
| Total Taxable Buildings | \$214,398,400 |
| Total Taxable Public Utilities | \$3,362,700 |
| Valuation Before Exemptions | \$322,189,534 |
| Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions | \$701,430 |
| Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed | \$321,488,104 |
| Tax Credits: Total Veterans' Exemptions | \$27,250 |

TAX RATE IN DURHAM 1990-1996

| YEAR | TOWN | SCHOOL DISTRICT | COUNTY | TOTAL |
|------|---------|-----------------|--------|---------|
| 1996 | \$9.53 | \$22.07 | \$2.55 | \$34.15 |
| 1995 | \$10.09 | \$21.62 | \$2.64 | \$34.35 |
| 1994 | \$ 8.37 | \$20.05 | \$2.58 | \$31.00 |
| 1993 | \$ 8.71 | \$18.51 | \$2.58 | \$29.80 |
| 1992 | \$ 6.69 | \$13.60 | \$1.82 | \$22.11 |
| 1991 | \$ 6.92 | \$13.12 | \$1.83 | \$21.87 |

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

| STREET NAME | DESCRIPTION | TAX MAP ID# | ASSESSED VALUATION |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Bagdad Road | Stolworthy Wildlife Sanctuary | 03-02-06 & 14 | \$8,700 |
| Beech Hill Road | Water Tank Site | 09-26-00 (99-300-0) | \$180,000 |
| Bennett Road | Doe Farm | 18-01-03 | 150,000 |
| Coe Drive | Beard's Creek Scenic Easement | 04-20-11 | Easements only |
| Colvos Road | Sewer Pumping Station | 99-300-0 | \$100,000 |
| Dame Road | Willey Property | 19-06-05 | 10,000 |
| Dame Road | Westerly side | 18-27-00 | \$33,400 |
| Davis Avenue | Conservation easements | 1-4-1...1-4-6 | Easements only |
| Dover Road | Police Facility | 11-4-1 | \$299,700 |
| Dover Road | Sewer Pumping Station | 11-11-00 | \$102,800 |
| Durham Point Road | Solid Waste Management Facility | 16-01-03 | \$315,700 |
| Durham Point Road (off) | Conservation land | 11-36-02 | \$73,600 |
| Durham Point Road (off) | Conservation land | 16-03-02 | \$11,400 |
| Fogg Drive | Father Lawless Park | 07-03-00 | \$105,500 |
| Foss Farm Road | Water Standpipe | 99-300-00 | \$1,020,000 |
| Foss Farm Road | Woodlot | 06-01-13A | \$2,700 |

Valuation and Tax History

Budget & Finance

| STREET NAME | DESCRIPTION | TAX MAP ID# | ASSESSED VALUATION |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Littlehale Road/US4 | Vacant lot | 10-21-00 | \$4,200 |
| Longmarsh Road | Colby Marsh/Beaver Brook Conservation | 16-27-00 | \$50,800 |
| Longmarsh Road | Langmaid Farm/adjacent to Beaver Brook | 16-06-01 & 02 | \$142,700 |
| Main Street | Grange Hall/Davis Memorial Building | 05-01-05 | \$231,600 |
| Mill Pond Road | Mill Pond Dam | 05-03-03 | \$5,300 |
| Mill Pond Road | Mill Pond Road Park | 05-07-00 | 15,000 |
| Mill Pond Road | Smith Chapel | 06-14-00 | \$75,700 |
| Mill Road | Vacant Land | 06-01-02 | \$25,200 |
| Mill Road | Vacant Land | 06-01-05 | \$19,000 |
| Mill Road & Main St. | Strip of Park Land at Shopping Center | | Easement only |
| Newmarket Road | District Court and Museum | 05-04-12 | \$192,400 |
| Newmarket Road | Easterly side | 06-12-14 | \$2,100 |
| Newmarket Road | Town Offices & Police Station | 05-04-11 | \$156,000 |
| Newmarket Road | Sullivan Monument | 06-11-00 | \$100,000 |
| Main Street | Cemetery | 09-24-00 | \$58,100 |
| Old Concord Road | Sewer Pumping Station | 99-300-00 | \$297,000 |
| Old Landing Road | Town Landing | 05-05-14 (Incl 5-5-13) | \$67,400 |
| Old Landing Road | Town Landing Footbridge | 05-06-06 | \$74,900 |
| Orchard Drive | Scenic easements | 6-2-22...6-2-25 | Easements only |
| Oyster River | Access easement | | Easement only |
| Oyster River Road | Sewer Pumping Station | 99-300-00 | \$100,000 |
| Packers Falls Road | Lord Property | 17-55-01 | \$30,800 |
| Packers Falls Road | Spruce Hole Conservation Area | 13-13-05 | \$26,800 |
| Packers Falls Road | Abutting Spruce Hole | 13-13-01 | \$600 CU* |
| Pettee Brook Lane | Town Parking Lot - Multiple Parcels | 2-15-0, 1 | \$214,100 |
| Pincrest Lane | Scenic easements (title remains with Linn) | 15-15-08 | Easement only |
| Piscataqua Road | Thatch Bed | 11-31-31 | \$66,700 |
| Piscataqua Road | Wagon Hill Farm | 12-08 - 01 & 02 | \$316,464 CU* |
| Piscataqua Road | Jackson's Landing | 11-11-04 (Incl. 11-11-3) | \$498,600 |
| Piscataqua Road | Johnson Creek Drive | 11-27-0 | \$464,000 |
| Piscataqua Road | Near Jackson's Landing | 11-09-02 | \$57,300 |
| Piscataqua Road | Sewer Treatment Plant | 11-09-05 | \$6,198,800 |
| Piscataqua Road | Quarry Lot - Part of Treatment Plant | 11-09-05 | Included above |
| Piscataqua Road | Public Works Site | 11-12-0 | \$18,400 |
| Schoolhouse Lane | Highway Garage - Multiple Parcels | 05-04-10 | \$385,000 |
| Schoolhouse Lane | Cemetery (owned by heirs, town maintained) | 05-05-12 | Not available |
| Simons Lane | Two small lots | 18-11 - 13 & 14 | \$45,000 |
| Technology Drive | Water Booster Station | 99-300-00 | \$90,000 |
| Williams Way | Boat Landing Lot | 11-23-04 | \$20,000 |
| Wiswall Road | Wiswall Dam Site | Map 17 | \$50,000 |
| Woodridge Road | Lot 55 | 07-01-55 | \$37,000 |
| Lee Five Corners, Lee | | Lee 06-07-07 | \$32,200 |
| Garrity Road, Lee | Gravel Pit | Lee 09-03-00 | \$160,700 |
| Packers Falls Road, Lee | Gravel Pit | Lee 15-01-09 | \$307,000 |
| Snell Road, Lee | Water Pump House | Lee 05-06-01 | \$84,000 |
| Total | | | \$13,134,364 |

*CU = at current use value

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PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

This, my eighth year with the Town of Durham, has been one of the most challenging, and in several instances, the most rewarding. My year started off serving as Durham's Acting Town Administrator for the first three months. I'd like to publicly thank the Durham citizens, Town Council and Boards and Town employees for their confidence, guidance and help during that time.

This past winter, which seemed to be never ending, was the first big challenge. One, in my opinion, we met successfully. A high level of winter maintenance has always been a high priority in Public Works and will continue to be. Although there are several goals for our winter maintenance program, the most important one is minimizing accidents and injuries to people.

The next big challenge was coordinating the activities of the installation of Northern Utilities' underground natural gas pipeline system within the Town's "urban" area. Northern Utilities goal was to install gas pipelines so they could offer gas services to Durham customers; our goal was to minimize the short and long term construction related impacts on the Town. I have to congratulate the Durham citizens, our customers, for their patience and input during what was probably the most extensive construction project ever experienced in this Town.



Joseph I "Skip" Grady, Public Works Director

The current and ongoing challenge is the construction of the new Public Works Facility which will be accessed off Dover Road and situated across Route 4 from the Wastewater Treatment plant. In order to reduce capital expenditures, the Department is constructing the 1500 foot long access road and doing the site work. Needless

to say, this work has taken time away from doing other tasks, but we are trying very hard to minimize that impact. We anticipate the steel building being erected this coming March and moving in late spring/early summer. Besides helping us to work more efficiently for the Town, we are striving to make this a facility Durham citizens can point to with great pride. A community open house will be held once the facility is completed. The Public Works Department expresses its appreciation to the Community and Town Council for their support and all those involved in making this, a personal dream of mine, come true.

Reports from each Public Works Division follow and list 1996 accomplishments and 1997 goals.

Once again, my thanks to you, our customers, for your concerns and suggestions and please, do stop in if you have the time.

*— Joseph I. Grady, P.E.,
Public Works Director*

Entrance to the future Public Works Facility. (photo courtesy of Joseph I. Grady)



WATER DIVISION

1996 Accomplishments

- This was a very difficult year for the division as we lost our Water Technician in early May and have operated without one since then. Much assistance was needed from other divisions to keep up with the daily operations. We advertised on two occasions for this position and actually hired a person for one month. Unfortunately this person left after one month so we had to start our search again. We hope to have this position filled early in 1997.
- Completed replacement of the water line on Old Landing Road. The 1-1/2" line has been very troublesome over the years. We would have to repair leaks in this line three or four times a year. Residents now enjoy increased water flow without the

constant interruption of service due to line failure.

- Worked closely with Northern Utilities throughout the summer as they installed gas main in Town. Had many service interruptions as a result of this gas line work. The gas pipe, water pipe and sewer pipe all are in fairly close proximity to each other.
- Continued monthly meetings with UNH Water Treatment Plant personnel to insure smooth operation of the combined water systems.
- Received the final report on the Spruce Hole Aquifer Study. This has been a five year ongoing study. The Aquifer appears to have some potential as a source of water.
- Completed State required recertification training to maintain our water distribution and treatment licenses.

- Provided water line installation inspection services as required.
- Responded to many, many customer requests/concerns.

1997 Goals

- Hire and train new water technician.
- Continue replacement of old, deteriorating water lines. Glassford Lane, Sauer Terrace and Cowell Drive lines are targeted.
- Complete a Construction Methods and Policy Manual for the Division.
- Continue pursuit of total customer satisfaction.
- Have the water system and documents reviewed to see if we can reduce our lost water rate.
- Continue to reduce "lost" water in the system.

The telephone number for the Water Division is 868-1001 or 868-5578.

— Guy S. Hodgdon,
Supt. of Water & Solid Waste

Water Division Statistics

| ACTIVITY | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Water Line Failures | 7 | 8 | 12 | 5 | 11 | 5 |
| New Residential Services | 4 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 7 |
| New Sprinkler Systems | 3 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 6 |
| Meters Repaired/Replaced | 50 | 39 | 57 | 29 | 23 | 9 |
| Hydrants Repaired/Replaced | 0 | 0 | 11 | 4 | 11 | 3 |
| General System Repairs | 30 | 20 | 25 | 20 | 14 | 16 |

WASTEWATER DIVISION

In an effort to reduce odors being emitted from the Wastewater Treatment Facility we stopped composting Durham's sludge on-site at the first of the year and began hauling the sludge to the Wheelabrator/IPS composting facility in Rochester. This has been very successful in minimizing odor complaints from our neighbors. We will pursue operating in this manner in the future.

1996 Accomplishments

- In February a new influent composite sampler was purchased and installed by the Treatment Plant staff.
- The 31 year old #3 raw sewage pump in the Dover Road Pumping Station was rebuilt and reinstalled in May. This

completes the pump rebuilding program scheduled for this station which has been ongoing over the past three years.

- In June and July 48,365 feet or 9.16 miles of gravity sewer mains were cleaned.
- The aeration system modifications were completed in August and the process has performed very well since then.
- In September the 18 year old water storage tank for the heating system was replaced.
- One new home was tied into the collection system this year.
- As in years past, members of the staff attended various courses and seminars as part of our ongoing training process.

age tanks at the Treatment Plant.

- Replace hollow metal doors in the sludge processing building with non-corrosive fiberglass doors.
- Complete replacement of hypochlorite tanks.
- Complete installation of electronic controls for disinfection and subsequent neutralization of the chlorine used for disinfection.

— Duane L. Walker,
Supt. of Wastewater

1997 Goals

- Purchase new 3/4 ton pickup to replace existing 12 year old unit.
- Test two underground fuel stor-

Wastewater Vital Statistics (12 Months)

| | PERMIT PARAMETERS | AVG. 1996 TOTAL | AVG. 1995 TOTAL | AVG. 1994 TOTAL |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Avg Flow MGD | n/a | 1.28 | 0.950 | 0.96 |
| Effluent TSS (MG/L) | 30 MGL | 15.2 | 19.10 | 17.40 |
| Avg % TSS Removal | min. 85% | 93.7 | 92.20 | 92.70 |
| Effluent BOD (MG/L) | 30 MGL | 10.5 | 15.10 | 14.50 |
| Avg % BOD Removal | min. 95% | 92.5 | 93.40 | 94.20 |
| <i>Total Flow (MG)</i> | | <i>386.22</i> | <i>348.00</i> | <i>349.70</i> |
| Septage Received (GAL) | | 82,500 | 411,900 | 301,800 |

MGDMillion Gallons per Day
TSSTotal Suspended Solids
BODBiochemical Oxygen Demand

MG/L. Milligrams per Liter
MG Million Gallons
GAL. Gallons

SOLID WASTE DIVISION

1996 Accomplishments

- Our recycling program continues to be recognized as one of the best in the State. In 1996 we will top our all time high of 931 tons recycled. At this time of this writing, it appears we will recycle over 1,000 tons for 1996.
- The textile, oil based paint, dry cell batteries and waste oil recycling programs continue to be well received.
- As in past years, we continue to review our program regularly to see if changes are in order. Through involvement with Northeast Resource Recovery Association, we are in constant contact with changes in the recycling industry. Our program continues to be cost-effective and less expensive than most non-volunteer programs in NH. We currently recycle more types of materials than any other town in NH and we are always looking to expand the program when it is cost-effective to do so.
- We will be receiving a new refuse packer early in 1997. We went through an extensive research and bid process to get the best machine for our operation at the lowest price. This will be a big addition to our program as our current prime unit is over 11 years old and becoming very tired. The new truck will have some attachments that will allow us to

review some new programs for refuse handling and actually run some pilot testing of the program. The new truck will also hold more material which is a key factor as we are now hauling material to the Turnkey Facility

in Rochester. This should reduce the number of trips we must make each week.

- We have started talks with the State as to our landfill closure plans for the Durham Point Road Facility. It is anticipated

Solid Waste Division Statistics

Tons of Material Marketed

| RECYCLABLE MATERIAL | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Fiber | 374 | 404 | 520 | 586 | 572 | 661 |
| Glass | 199 | 234 | 231 | 256 | 228 | 248 |
| Aluminum/Steel | 54 | 49 | 51 | 50 | 47 | 41 |
| Comingled Containers | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Plastics | 19 | 19 | 27 | 33 | 25 | 39 |
| Textiles | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Dry Cell Batteries | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| Totals | 646 | 706 | 829 | 933 | 881 | 1,015 |
| <i>Recycling Revenue</i> | <i>\$16,810</i> | <i>\$14,199</i> | <i>\$18,038</i> | <i>\$38,042</i> | <i>\$62,800</i> | <i>\$11,750</i> |
| <i>Tip Fee Avoidance</i> | <i>\$36,822</i> | <i>\$40,242</i> | <i>\$47,253</i> | <i>\$51,315</i> | <i>\$43,900</i> | <i>\$46,934</i> |

Other Material Recycled

| | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|
| Scrap Metal (tons) | 100 | 81 | 66 | 80 | 79 | 68 |
| Car Tires (each) | 1,500 | 900 | 835 | 750 | 755 | 875 |
| Car Batteries (each) | 159 | 75 | 100 | 150 | 144 | 147 |
| Waste Oil (gallons) | 1,500 | 1,100 | 1,200 | 1,225 | 995 | 1,133 |
| Oil Filters (each) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 600 | 525 |
| Oil Based Paint (gallons) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 450 | 750 |

Material Disposed

| <i>Refuse (tons)</i> | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Curbside Collection | 1,261 | 1,260 | 1,252 | 1,298 | 1,283 | 1,276 |
| Commercial | 1,352 | 1,503 | 1,566 | 1,467 | 1,469 | 714* |
| Refuse Total | 2,613 | 2,763 | 2,818 | 2,765 | 2,752 | 1,990* |
| Bulky Waste (tons) | 400 | 375 | 373 | 431 | 490 | 588 |
| Hazardous Waste (gallons) | 1,300 | 1,260 | 1,345 | 0 | 1,675 | 0 |
| SWMF Permits Issued | 550 | 255 | 250 | 749 | 729 | 823 |

*Reason for variation from previous years is unknown.

this closure plan may be started in the early 2000's.

- All operators received recertification training from the NH Department of Environmental Services to maintain their NH Solid Waste Operator's license.
- A town-wide spring and fall cleanup was held.
- Curbside Christmas tree recycling was provided for residents.
- The size of the hopper on the

baling machine was increased to improve efficiency of the baling process.

1997 Goals

- Increase commercial participation in the recycling program.
- Continue regular review of solid waste disposal options.
- Continue to review options for the landfill closure.
- Provide continued support to

the Recycling Committee.

- Produce another Solid Waste Division newsletter.

The telephone number for the Water Division is 868-1001 or 868-5578.

— Guy S. Hodgdon,
Supt. of Water & Solid Waste

HIGHWAY DIVISION

The 1995-96 snow and ice season was the worst in several years. There were 38 snow and/or ice incidents starting on November 12, 1995 and ending on April 10, 1996. The snowfall total was 95 1/2". There was 2 1/2" of liquid precipitation causing freezing rain and general icing conditions.

Some 2,100 cy of sand and salt mix was used along with 650 tons of straight salt to treat roads.

1996 Accomplishments

The roadway resurfacing and reconstruction program was completed. The following is a listing of the areas in Town that were done.

- Old Landing Road was reclaimed and drainage problems were repaired then paved with 2" base course asphalt; 1" wearing course is planned for 1997. This work followed the

installation of a new 6" water main and 2 new fire hydrants.

- Emerson Road from Bagdad Road to 200+ feet beyond the westerly intersection of Littlehale Road was reclaimed, had 2" of binder asphalt and 1" wearing top, additional drainage and a new sidewalk installed.
- Hampshire Avenue from Lundy Lane to Madbury Road was reclaimed and drainage problems repaired. It was then paved with 2" binder and 1" wearing course.
- Tom Hall Road, which was a gravel road, was reshaped with drainage ditches established, adding 4" of crushed gravel, then paving with 2" binder followed with 1" wearing course.
- The following roads were overlaid with 1" wearing course:
Bayview Road
Beards Landing
Old Bagdad Road
Coe Drive

- Constable Road
- Edgewood Road Extension
- Falls Way
- Lundy Lane
- Littlehale Road
- Old Piscataqua Road
- Scotland Road
- Simons Lane
- Valentine Hill Road
- Bagdad Road from Madbury Rd. to beginning of guardrail at Rt. 4 overpass
- Edgewood Road from Madbury Rd. to Emerson Rd.
- Emerson Road from Madbury Rd. to 200' west of Littlehale Road
- As the above roads were paved, the Highway crew followed up with shoulder backing and any driveways and landscaping that was needed.
- The sidewalks on Bagdad Road from Dennison Road to Canney Road were overlaid with 1" of hottop and all driveway cuts and

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end ramps were either reconstructed or shimmed with asphalt to bring them to the 1995 ADA compliance.

- Several minor drainage problems were repaired town-wide. A more significant drainage project was done in the Johnson Creek Development (Shearwater Street) this fall. Five drive pipes were installed. 1,000+ feet of roadside ditch was shaped and lined with fabric and 1 1/2" stone. This project was done with funds left in escrow to the

Town by the Developer.

- Town-wide spring cleanup was completed the last week of May and first week of June. Bulky waste, old appliances and scrap metals were picked up. Thirty-three 30 cy rolloffs were filled and sent off to the Kingston Landfill. Fifty dump truck loads of scrap metal and appliances were hauled to the Solid Waste Management Facility.
- Town-wide fall cleanup of brush, garden waste and bagged

leaves was completed the last week of October, first week of November. There were 70 dump truck loads of brush transported to the brush dump and 15 1/2 ton of leaves disposed of.

- The Division took delivery of a rebuilt 1990 FMC sweeper to replace the 1980 Mobile sweeper. Also, a 1995 John Deere 310D backhoe was delivered to the Division the 26th of November to replace the 1984 Case backhoe. The John Deere backhoe is a used rental machine in new condition and warranted as new.

*The Lamprey River looking downstream from a vantage point atop the Packers Falls Road, October 1996.
(photo courtesy Richard H. Lord)*



1997 Goals

- To be able to move into the new Public Works Facility that was started in the fall of 1996.
- Complete another very aggressive roadway program. Cold plane and reshape Main Street from Madbury Road to Route 155A and Madbury Road from Main Street to Route 4 lights (approximately 1.75 miles). Repaving will then be done with 2" of asphalt.
- Replace Mill Pond Road culvert.
- Continue to give the highest level of service and maintenance to the community that resources will permit.
- Purchase a new dump truck and plowing equipment to replace our 1986 5 ton dump truck and a new sidewalk plow to replace the 1983 Landini tractor.

— Brian S. Beers, Supt. of Highways

RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Recycling Committee's main effort this year has been to evaluate the new sorted mixed office waste (SMOW) program advanced by the Northeast Resource and Recovery Association (NRRRA). The program which would involve contract pick-up and Public Works processing/marketing, is aimed at recovering paper from the commercial sector where a potential 50 to 100 tons exists. The Committee recommended that it be included in the 1997 budget proposal for Council consideration.

The oil based paint, oil filter and

dry cell battery programs added in mid 1995 have proved very successful as you will note in the Public Works report. A State grant was received this year to construct spill containment for and a roof over the waste oil tank; the project was completed in December and will improve collection and storage procedures.

The Committee wishes to thank and congratulate Durham citizens for their recycling efforts and commitment to the program which we feel is second to none in NH. We know that reducing the cost of disposing solid waste is to large extent in our individual hands, therefore, we ask that everyone continue to:

REDUCE solid waste generated;

REUSE items over and over again; and

RECYCLE as much waste material as possible allowing remanufacture into new products.

Thank you

—Skip Grady, Public Works Director
For Chairman William "Bill" Skinner

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
William "Bill" Skinner, Chairman
Joan Drapeau
Kate Glanz
Anne Loomis

TREE WARDEN

1996 Accomplishments

- Removal of seventeen dead or hazardous trees from Town property or right-of-ways.
- Large amount of debris cleanup from the October 20th and 21st storm which dropped 12"+ of rain on the Town.
- Close out of the Small Business Administration Tree Planting Grant. This Grant allowed the Town to purchase and plant ten Deciduous trees at the Father Lawless playing fields.
- The Town was honored with its 18th consecutive Tree City

U.S.A. Award. Durham has successfully been awarded Tree City U.S.A. since 1978 and is the longest running Tree City or Town in the State.

- Two memorial trees were planted at Old Landing park.

1997 Goals

- Aggressive removal of any remaining elm trees inflicted with Dutch Elm disease along the Town's right-of-way.
- Pursue the Town's 19th straight Tree City U.S.A. award.
- Make application for the N.H. Community Beautification Award which is granted to three cities or towns who show a sig-

nificant town-wide beautification program.

- Assist Town residents with landscape or tree concerns.

— Michael Lynch, Tree Warden

Health and Welfare

REPORT FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER

1996 Accomplishments:

Child day care, foster home and food establishment inspections dominated Health Department activities again this year. The health officer was also called upon to assist with problems associated with dereliction and deferred maintenance in a fraternity, slow response to flooding damage on the part of an absentee landlord, small mammals within living quarters and diverse other matters of public health concern.

The health officer submitted for Town Council approval, a funded grant application to the NHDHHS to establish an improved (electronic) communication network among New Hampshire municipal health workers.

The flooding associated with the unusual fall rainstorm resulted in few public health-related problems in Durham, but serious water problems in nearby communities underscored the value of emergency action planning and coordination between Community and State offices.

1997 Goals:

- Review and clarify the role of the Health Department in the

Town's Emergency Operations Plan.

- Conduct health inspections on behalf of the Town.
- Establish an electronic communication infrastructure among NH municipal health workers.

By means of the above, provide improved public access to material of informational/educational value regarding public health.

Establishing appropriate Internet web pages having linked URLs will be a part of this effort.

—Richard P. Blakemore,
Community Health Officer, 868-2073

SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES

Sexual Assault Support Services offers the following services: 24-hour rape crisis hotline, advocacy (medical, emotional, and legal) for survivors of sexual assault, support groups for survivors, their parents and partners, child sexual assault prevention programs and adolescent workshops (K-12), and community service referrals.

The program is committed to providing support, education, and advocacy to all survivors of sexual assault and their loved ones. It also provides extensive services for survivors of incest and childhood sexual assault.

Sexual Assault Support Services is committed to providing school and community education programs to help prevent sexual violence and guarantee appropriate response and support for the survivors, to help them in their recovery process. Volunteers are welcome and are utilized in any and all aspects of the program.

1996 Accomplishments

- Installation of a 24-hour toll free crisis hotline (1-888-747-7070).
- Held a forum on sexual abuse over the internet.
- Opened a Strafford County Outreach Office in Rochester, NH.
- Reached 268 students in

Durham schools during 24 hours of presentations.

- Provided crisis services and/or informational services to 14 residents.

1997 Goals

- Outreach to the entire community about the toll free crisis hotline and information/referral services.
- Continued outreach about support groups available to survivors, parents and partners.
- Continued prevention services to children and teens in area schools.

—Diane Stradling, Executive Director
436-4107

MY FRIEND'S PLACE

My Friend's Place provides emergency and transitional shelter for homeless people in Strafford County. Both individuals and families are welcome to stay at the shelter and have an average stay of one month for individuals and two months for families. While at the shelter residents focus on their own needs as developed in their individual plan. Personal goals could include budget training, employment, counseling and housing.

1996 Accomplishments

- Served 242 individuals for a total of 5337 bed days.
- Increased utilization over 1995 by 11%.
- Increased number of families served by 100% - 18 in 1995 and 36 in 1996.

- Opened two transitional housing units in Dover to serve families long-term.
- Hired a new staff person to provide homeless prevention.
- Obtained a grant from H.U.D. to increase family transitional housing units.

1997 Goals

- Provide a minimum of 5300 bed days.
- Open four additional transitional family units.
- Begin planning for a single room occupancy home for single women.
- Increase activity with the Housing Consortium.

— Robert M. O'Connell,
Executive Director 749-3017

WELFARE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Durham has had very few applications for usage of welfare funds this year. Funds have helped to purchase medications, pay for rent, food and shelter. Durham will most likely continue to see an increase in local welfare expenses as the new Federal welfare law becomes effective and funds from the State and Federal level decrease.

— Clara Varney, Welfare Director

STRAFFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE, INC.

In 1996 Strafford County Community Action Committee, Inc. (SCCAC) appreciated Town support in delivering vital services to low income and at risk elderly households.

1996 Accomplishments

- Fuel assistance (11 households) and energy conservation measures (3 households).
- Assistance with rent/utilities (7 households) and security deposits (5 households).
- Transportation to medical appointments (456 rides) and access to a personal emergency response system (3 persons).
- Provision of food via food pantries (18 households).

- Information and referral services (486 units).
- A value of \$17,442 in goods and services, exclusive to Durham.

1997 Goals

With an ongoing partnership between the Town and SCCAC, we will continue to provide programs critical to the needs of otherwise vulnerable and unprotected citizens.

— Robert Marshall,
Director of Planning and Program
Development 749-1334

LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

Lamprey Health Care provides a variety of services to residents of your community. 1996 marks Lamprey Health Care's 25th Anniversary of providing service to our communities. We are very proud of this achievement and wish to thank the citizens of the Town of Durham for their continuing support so that we can continue to provide service to our neighbors and communities.

The Senior Citizen Transportation Program operated by Lamprey Health Care is one of the most important services provided to residents of the area. The busses provide necessary transportation for food shopping, for medical appointments, the pharmacy and for recreational trips. Residents are picked up at their homes and are assisted with bundles and with

shopping if necessary. The Senior Transportation program is affiliated with COAST.

All seven of the busses operated by this program are handicapped accessible. Special appointments which cannot be incorporated into the specific routes serving your area arranged through the Transportation Coordinator and a group of volunteers. The Program almost operates as a "Friendly Callers" program in that the seniors who ride are in contact with the program, and if not, they are checked on to be sure that everything is all right. The Transportation Health Workers (drivers) from the program also do necessary errands for their riders if they are unable to do them because of illness, etc. This program does a great deal toward keeping our elderly population healthy, independent and in their homes.

The medical services provided by Lamprey Health Care include primary medical care, health promotion and education and social services. Increased capacity in both our Raymond and our Newmarket centers allows Lamprey Health Care to serve the residents of our local area in a timely and efficient manner. Staffing for both centers includes seven board certified family physicians and one pediatrician. Seven nurse practitioners and a support staff of registered and licensed practical nurses and community health workers round out the medical team. Medical care provided includes prenatal care, adult medicine and geriatric medicine, as well as screenings and follow up for various medical conditions.

Lamprey Health Care has a primary mission to provide for the total health needs of the residents of our service area. From prenatal to geriatric care and from primary health to transportation for seniors and information and referral through the Info-Center (Lamprey Health Care's founding program) and INFO-LINK information and referral database encyclopedia, we take great pride in the services provided to the communities we serve. The support of the communities served by Lamprey Health Care is critical to the continuation of our services.

Thank you again to the Town of Durham.

— Ann H. Peters, Executive Director

Repair of Rt. 108 at Hamel Brook, October 1996. (photo courtesy Michael D. Golding)



COOPERATIVE ALLIANCE FOR SEACOAST TRANSPORTATION

1996 Accomplishments

- Safe and timely movement of nearly 450,000 persons on public transit in 35 towns and cities, within budget.
- Initiation of a regional coordination dispatch center intended to maximize delivery of total regional transit and paratransit services in Strafford and Rockingham County.
- Second year service expansion on both of the new rural routes introduced in 1994 (Farmington-Rochester & Exeter-Newington).
- Conduct of Strategic, Maintenance, Financial and Capital and Americans with Disabilities Act planning to insure COAST, and especially the communities we serve, benefit from excellent planning of our growing regional transit system.
- Close liaison with the Seacoast Metropolitan Planning Organization in the implementation of the region's 20 year transit plan, progressing transit growth into the 20th century.
- Maintaining our status as one of the most cost-effective transit operators in Northern New England, and among the most

cost-effective in the United States, per the Federal Section 15 report.

In 1996 COAST and the University of New Hampshire conducted an extensive and exhaustive joint bid to verify/insure that COAST and the University are purchasing services at a cost level that maximizes our public investment and community trust. In this process, the University of New Hampshire identified that remaining within COAST was in its best financial and operating interests. Further, COAST identified that the University was the most affordable option for transportation services. From this process, much was learned about how to improve operations of COAST.

1997 Goals

Our number one goal in 1997 is to conduct an extensive strategic planning process characterized by tremendous total community participation to insure as COAST enters the year 2000, we are as responsive to communities transportation needs as possible. The COAST Board of Directors is extremely committed to insuring that this process fully involves municipal and business leaders, passengers, and appropriate other parties to the greatest extent possible. Given the tremendous documentation of the community wide need for improved transportation services, this process is potentially the most important that COAST has ever undertaken in its 15 year history of operations.

- Ongoing commitment to offer service delivery at the most cost-effective levels possible.
- Ongoing development of the Regional Transportation Coordination and Consolidation (TC2) program.

Currently the Strafford and Rockingham Coordination and Consolidation Council is working to cooperatively improve the total public funded transportation efforts of over 35 transportation providers in Strafford and Rockingham Counties. The COAST Board has provided the staff resources to facilitate the advancement of this two county effort, and in 1997 will initiate the first transportation coordination center in Northern New England utilizing state of the art software and communications systems.

COAST will continue the replacement process of the public fleet of buses it owns, with a likely transition to a mixed sized fleet of same manufacturer/model buses. COAST bus acquisitions are a 12 year decision. Operational experience at COAST in the previous 10 years has demonstrated we do not always require the size buses we are operating. We anticipate replacement of fleet vehicles in the 1998-2000 process, have already secured over \$2,500,000 for this effort, and are required to order vehicles 12-24 months in advance.

— Joe Follansbee, Executive Director
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Culture and Recreation

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE AND RECREATION ADVOCATE

Durham Parks and Recreation completed its first full year of operation under Larry Flint, Parks and Recreation Advocate with many positive changes for the community. Current members of the Parks and Recreation Committee are: Richard Dewing, Chairman; David Buccerio, Thomas Christie, John Churchill, Paula Flanders, Lewis Newsy and Ed Valena, Town Council Representative. We extend our thanks and appreciation to Anne Whittenbury, former Chairperson who resigned from the committee upon her move to a neighboring community. The Parks and Recreation Committee will miss her dedication to the parks and recreation movement in Durham. We also thank Robin Thompson, Diane Woods and William Healy for their services throughout the year.

Accomplishments in 1996

- Haunted Hayrides at Emery Farm. Received Honorable Mention for the 1996 Shelnuitt Program Award from New Hampshire Parks and Recreation Association.
- Richard Dewing, Chairman, received the "Outstanding Volunteer Award" for Durham from the NH Municipal Association in November.



Larry Flint, Parks & Recreation Advocate

- Durham Hershey Track and Field team member Anna Boisvert won the 800 meter girl's state title for age group 11-12. The 1996 team had 15 participants compete in state finals.
- "March for the Parks" was conducted in April.
- National Senior Health and Fitness Day was held in May.
- Town of Durham was recognized by Seacoast United Way with a Bronze Award for employee participation during the 1996 campaign. This program was coordinated by Larry Flint.
- Haunted Hay Rides and a children's Halloween party were held at Emery Farm in October. The Halloween party saw increases in participation by the community.
- The citizens of the community had the opportunity to take trips to a Boston Red Sox game,

Boston Celtics game, Boston Flower Show, Secret Gardens in Newport RI and fall foliage in the Monadnock region.

- New recreation youth programs were introduced including a Bike Rodeo at Spring Fling, Busy Bee Day Camp, Father-Daughter Valentine's Dance, Great Pumpkin Contest, Easter Egg Hunt and Candy Corn Festival.
- Boy Scouts and community volunteers cleared the trails at Doe Farm and continued the upkeep of the Cocheco Trail.
- Durham Day Picnic continued as a community gathering day in August with multiple activities including boat rides, entertainment and a 5K Cross Country Race.
- "LIGHT UP DURHAM" in conjunction with the Durham Business Association, was the best event of 1996 as Governor-elect Jeanne Shaheen and her family were the Honorary Holiday Tree Lighters along with Town Council Chair William Healy and his family. The town was outlined in white light by a number of downtown businesses. A bon fire was held in Mill Plaza to create community spirit and welcome in the holiday season. Brownie Troop 75 provided many great voices for caroling as they led more than 300 citizens in holiday songs waiting for Santa to arrive and the Holiday tree to be lit.

The parks and recreation programs continue to create community

spirit and bring various segments of the community to increase their "quality of life." However, the parks and recreation programs cannot happen without support from various community organizations, volunteers, town staff, and businesses. I want to thank the Buildings and Grounds Division, Police Department, Fire Department, Town Office staff, Town Clerk's office, Parks and Recreation Committee and Larry Shaffer, Town Administrator for their support in the development of Durham Parks and Recreation. The cooperation of the Oyster River Schools and Oyster River Youth Association is appreciated for getting information to the community and for the use of their facilities. I want to thank Boy Scout Troop 154 and Brownie Troop 75, and the many volunteers who have given freely of their time to Durham Parks and Recreation programs. The recreation programs could not become a reality without their continued support. I need to recognize the UNH Recreation Program Management class for their outstanding effort in providing Halloween activities for the Durham community. Finally, I want to recognize several businesses for their continued support of our recreation programs: Emery Farms, Durham Marketplace, The Bagelry, MainStreet Music, Campus Convenience, Licker Store, Young's Restaurant, Town and Campus, Houghton's Hardware, Durham Business Association and Bruce Bragdon.

1997 Goals

- Publish a brochure for marketing community recreation programs and activities.
- Continue to develop programs to promote community wellness.
- Continue to develop non-athletic type programs and special events to promote family and community participation.
- Increase community awareness to the Durham parks and natural resources for recreational activities.
- Develop a Friends of Durham Recreation organization.
- Increase volunteerism in recreation and park programs.

July Fourth Citizens Committee Report

The 1996 July Fourth Citizens Committee was made of the fol-

lowing people from the three communities of Durham, Lee, and Madbury: Durham representatives: Donna and Dave Langley, Lorrie Pitt, Greg Moore, Larry Flint, Robin Avery, Lee representative: Elaine Gauthier, and Madbury representative: Marcia Walenta. The committee deserves many thanks for donating their time and effort to this annual event.

The 4th of July committee also thanks the following individuals, businesses, and organizations: Mike Lynch, Durham Building and Grounds Superintendent, for arranging for the fireworks display. The Durham Public Works crew recognized for set-up and cleaning of Cowell Field. The Durham Fire Department for assisting in setting up and providing fire protection for the evening. The Durham Police Department, University of New Hampshire Police, the Durham Police Explorers for pro-

Easter Egg Hunt at the Town Landing, March 30, 1996. (photo courtesy Larry Flint)



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viding traffic control. The Durham Town Council and Town Officials and Madbury selectman for assisting with the soliciting of donations at the gate. Joe Morganello from JukeBox Jems for being the DJ and providing music for easy listening to the public before the fireworks. Durham Marketplace, for providing food. Granite Bank for face painting and balloons. Special thanks to the Great Bay Rotary for filling in at the last minute to be our chief food vendor. Durham Parks and Recreation for the children's activities. University of New Hampshire for the use of Cowell Stadium and use of their equipment.

It is the generosity from businesses, citizens, the three towns who donate and the collection of money at the gates to this event that make this truly a tri-town community spectacular 4th of July event.

The crowd was down in 1996 because the event had to be postponed to Friday, July 5th because of a severe thunderstorm two hours before opening the gates on the Thursday, July 4th. The 3,500 spectators who came the second night enjoyed a spectacular fireworks display and a fun filled evening. Finally the 4th of July committee would like to request that additional citizens come forth to assist in the celebration of our country's birthday.

Wagon Hill Farm

The Wagon Hill Farm had several renovations completed to the farmhouse in 1996.

The two main chimneys were rebuilt from the roof line upwards. A cap was placed on the chimneys for improving their function.

The roof of the farmhouse was

reshingled. The old shingles were removed to the roof boards. The Barn will be done in the near future.

The farmhouse was painted on three sides utilizing Strafford County jail inmates as the painters. The goal in 1997 is to complete the fourth side and barn.

An 18th century loom from the Durham Historical Association was reassembled and is in working condition. The loom is located in the attached "mother-in-law" apartment. Every effort will be made to have the loom in operation during special town events at Wagon Hill Farm.

— *Laurence "Larry" W. Flint, CLP*
Parks and Recreation Advocate

OYSTER RIVER YOUTH ASSOCIATION

In 1996 the Oyster River Youth Association (ORYA) saw many very exciting things happen. Jackson's Landing Recreational Center was rebuilt and a facilities manager was hired. In order to reach more children from the Oyster River School District, new programs such as Karate, Spring Tennis, Skiing, Outdoor Education Sessions and a two-week Summer Fun Camp were developed. Existing programs saw

an increase in numbers and parental as well as university involvement was overwhelming.

As we move into the 1997 season, ORYA will continue to look for-

ward to bigger and better happenings! With Jackson's Landing up and running, ORYA will develop programming plans for the facility.

— *Continued on next page.*

ORYA Participation

| | 1994-95 | PART. % | 1995-96 | PART. % |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Spring..... | 988 | 64.2 | 1006 | 63.4 |
| Summer | 124 | 8.1 | 266 | 16.8 |
| Fall | 629 | 40.9 | 730 | 46.0 |
| Winter | 492 | 32.0 | 517 | 32.6 |

Total ORYA.....2233.....1587

School Enrollment.....1539.....1587

The concrete flooring opens up almost limitless possibilities. For example, look for softball and baseball to get an early jump on the season. These programs now will start "throwing the ball around" in April as opposed to the May start of previous years. We as an organization have a growing sense of excitement as we begin to think about the number of programming possibilities—so look for more new programs during the upcoming year.

Our emphasis for 1997 will be to continue to develop programs so that we may involve more children from the communities of Durham, Lee and Madbury. This means that we must constantly improve the programs we have started and work to create new ones. Suggestions are always accepted!

The new year will see a big focus on our current field shortage situation and on finding ways to alleviate this recurring problem. ORYA will have to explore all possible avenues. Hopefully we will find a workable solution!

A special thanks goes out to all those volunteers who have given their time in making our programs so successful. We would also like to thank those volunteers who put in many, many hours getting Jackson's Landing back up and functioning. Thank you volunteers. All of you are special! Without your faithful help, ORYA would not be so successful.

— Cathy Caron, Executive Director
868-5150

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Conservation Commission has a State legislative mandate to inventory, manage and protect the natural resources of the Town. The Commission acts as an advocate for conservation in Town affairs, and as a source of information for Town residents.

1996 Accomplishments

- Reviewed, on-site, sixteen applications submitted to the NH Wetlands Bureau by Durham property owners for projects such as dock construction, gas or water pipelines, woods roads and a hockey rink.
- In cooperation with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Strafford County Conservation District we conducted a sediment survey of the Town Mill Pond. Sediment in as deep as seven feet in a few locations.
- Working with Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Michael Lynch, permanent gates were installed at each end of the Class VI portion of Longmarsh Road. Owners of Interior land-holdings were supplied with keys.
- Worked with Mary Robertson of Strafford Regional Planning Commission to develop a brochure describing Durham's thirteen tidal marshes. The brochure, with description of marsh values and suggestions for

protection, was mailed to 155 marsh abutters.

- Finally, we were pleased to honor Keeper of the Swans, Dr. Marjorie Milne, with the third annual Conservation Award.

1997 Goals

- Continue to work with the Planning Board to complete a Sand and Gravel Excavation Ordinance and forward it to the Town Council for action.
- Sponsor additional studies of bio-diversity in an around the Mill Pond, and prepare a long-range management plan for the pond.
- Work with the Lamprey River Advisory Committee, the National Park Service, the Town Parks and Recreation Committee, neighbors and other interested parties to prepare a recreation and historic preservation plan for the area surrounding the Wiswall Dam, including the Weeks tract mentioned above.

— David T. Funk, Chairman

THE DURHAM SWANS

After a long cold winter the swans returned to the Mill Pond on March 17, 1996. The telephone began to ring with folks wishing to alert me about the return of the swans, thus proving that there is a “Swan Watch” in Durham. When I returned to the Mill Pond, the swans walked over the snow to greet me—or was it to eat the food I carried? The swans climbed the bank to where I was seated on a bench and ate the goodies I offered to them. I have found that if I behave in a calm manner, the swans will eat from my hand.

The birds hung around their nesting site and got busy producing eggs. I have wondered about having an Ann Landers swan column because inquiries come to me from Shaker Village and around the state, as well as nearby states. For example, how

do you clip swan wings so they do not fly away? How do you protect swans from coyotes? Are the swans in Hampton the swans that originated in Durham? What happens to a single swan?

In May, when the water lily pads came to the surface at the Mill Pond, the Great Blue Heron arrived to join the gathering of mallard ducks and other ducks and gulls. On May 22, the croaking of bull frogs and the bright glimmer of the fireflies indicated a celebration; the hatching of new cygnets. Mr. and Mrs. Doug Guy watched the exciting birth from high in their dwelling at Church Hill Apartments.

In early June a great white egret and its mate joined the party. The swans seemed sociable with these birds as well as the black crowned night herons and cormorants. The white swans and black cormorants contrasted nicely on the waters

reflecting the blue sky and indecisive white clouds.

In early fall the young gray swans began developing white feathers. However, they were still adolescent birds, large in size but still peeping like baby birds and moving awkwardly. Their bills were still black and showed no signs of becoming bright orange.

On August 17 the crickets began their songs. On September 11 a flock of Canada geese invaded the pond. The swans created so much stir that the geese did not settle in as they could have. On October 8 the cygnets were almost full size but not fully white. A large wind storm carried one cygnet over the dam into the estuary where it stayed with the domestic geese and then disappeared. In mid October a fierce storm flooded Durham and the strong wind from this storm carried away another cygnet. Some reports have placed this cygnet near the Oyster River schools and also at Durham Point. We will never know for sure.

The Mill Pond became a lonely place on November 14 when it froze over. All the birds seemed to disappear. Two days later at dusk I stood at the pond, looked across and observed an isolated great blue heron gently strolling on the ice seeking some treasure. It then flew into the trees. The darkness swallowed all sights. The next night the pond was at peace getting ready for the new year.

— Margery Milne, Swan Keeper

(Photo courtesy Steve Turko, Hackettstown, NJ)



HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The basic activities of the Historic District Commission were to grant five Certificates of Approval and to revise Article VI of the Zoning Ordinance to obtain state approval of our Certified Local Government status, which is now in place.

Our particular pleasure this year was the presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to Mark Henderson at the Town Council meeting on Nov. 4. We wished to recognize his fine restoration of the Joshua Ballard House, and particularly of the beautiful front doorway. The house has become an impressive landmark on Main Street and an invaluable example for the preservation of other historic buildings on Church Hill.

Primarily this year, the Commission has concentrated on major projects concerning two of the town's most important historic buildings, and which have involved some of the most complex issues in the Commission's history. One project is the final but long-awaited restoration and renovation of the Ffrost-Sawyer Homestead, with the hope that next year will see its completion. The main problem is to insure that the historic details of the house, barn, and landscape will be preserved, and also that valuable artifacts in the ground will not be lost during construction. Since some of the 1989 plans of Sagamore Hill have been changed-affecting the historic landscape, our

original guidelines for reconstruction have had to be reevaluated. The Town and the Commission have been fortunate in obtaining an architectural consultant, Peter Olney, (funded by Sagamore Hill) to oversee as careful a preservation of the historic site as is possible. The Chair of the Commission has worked with Mr. Olney and Mr. Ronald Peterson to establish new requirements and guidelines to obtain that end. In addition, the Town, through a federal grant, has been able to hire an archaeologist, Kathleen Wheeler, to investigate buried objects as evidence for the history of the house. With this information and interesting discoveries coming out of interior construction, much more has been learned about the house than tradition had heretofore indicated.

The other major project demanding the attention of the Commission is the Community Church's proposed

demolition and reconstruction of the community house and possible renovations in the 1848 sanctuary itself. All of this is important because of the centrality of the building to the history and geography of the town. While no formal application has been made to the Historic District Commission this year, church members and/or the architect have attended several of our meetings to discuss tentative plans. The members of the Commission have also visited the church property for site reviews.

1997 Goals

Our very large assignment is first to deal with the expected application for demolition and renovation from the Community Church. And second, to see that the Ffrost-Sawyer project carries out the guidelines for proper historic preservation.

—Marion James, Chair

Ffrost Homestead, Summer 1916. (Durham Historic Association Museum)



Special Advisory Committees

WATER POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Water Policy Advisory Committee — Councilors Ralph Bristol and George Rief, former Councilor Arthur Grant, and Town Administrator Larry Shaffer — advises the Town Council on implementing the 1994 Report and Recommendations of the Water Policy Task Force, which aim at assuring that the Town and University will have a sufficient, economical supply of high-quality drinking water.

The University's Arthur Rollins Water Treatment Plant presently processes 84 percent of the water used by UNH and the Town. The remainder of the water supply comes from the Town's Lee Well and is sub-surface water not requiring full treatment. The Water Policy Task Force in 1995 recommended — subject to further cost-benefit studies — replacement of the treatment plant with a new facility capable of meeting current water-quality standards and future supply needs of the two communities. [Capacity of the existing plant is 1.4 to 1.6 million gallons per day, a range within today's "average daily demand" but one already being exceeded on "maximum demand days."]

The committee worked this past year with representatives of Dufresne-Henry, Inc., an engineering firm contracted by the Town Council and the University to ana-

lyze comparative costs, feasibility and long-term benefits of upgrading the University's 60-year-old UNH Arthur Rollins Water Treatment Plant versus constructing a new plant. The engineers also were asked to verify the demand and supply data used by the Task Force to project future water needs.

In October, Dufresne-Henry submitted its report with the following key findings:

- Our major conclusion is that, although old, the Arthur Rollins Water Treatment Plant is a well-operated and valuable facility which should not be abandoned. Both the capital cost and the 20-year Present Worth for an upgraded treatment plant are significantly less than the corresponding costs for a new water treatment plant.
- Our major recommendation is that the Town of Durham and the University should not initiate a planning process to construct a new water treatment facility . . . A more thorough structural evaluation of the Arthur Rollins Treatment Plant should be made to ensure that there are no major structural deficiencies."

Based on its prediction of "slow but consistent growth" of both Town and University over the next 20 years, Dufresne-Henry recommends a treatment plant capable of serving an "average daily demand" of 1.4 million gallons and a "maximum daily demand" of 2.2 million gallons

in year 2015. It finds there is a sufficient water supply to meet this demand, based on Oyster River and Lee Well flows, and the Lamprey River continuing to provide a "backup" or emergency supply.

Dufresne-Henry estimates a cost of about \$1.7 million to upgrade the existing treatment plant to meet those capacity levels. But it says the "probable cost" of building a new plant with comparable capacities would be \$3.5 million, or twice as costly.

While the key Dufresne-Henry recommendation is counter to the Water Policy Task Force's initial reluctance to invest a substantial amount of money in an already aged facility, it is clearly the less expensive, more cost-effective approach to meeting local water needs for the next two decades. The committee therefore recommended Town Council endorsement of the University's plan to continue upgrading its existing treatment plant.

The committee is active in other areas recommended by the Task Force:

- The committee and Town Council reviewed the draft of a comprehensive report prepared by UNH Prof. Thomas Ballestero following his three-year hydrogeological study of the feasibility of developing the Spruce Hole aquifer as an additional water supply source for the Town and University. In brief, the Ballestero study projects that Spruce Hole could

provide up to 400,000 gallons per day of safe, potable groundwater to augment existing water supply sources. Previous engineering estimates that installation of pumping stations and a pipeline to bring the Spruce Hole water into the supply system would cost about \$1.6 million now merit more careful study and analysis.

- Committee representatives served on a Durham-Lee-Madbury citizens commission which studied and reported to the communities on sources of non-point pollution of water supplies. "Non-point" pollution is primarily run-off water from

agricultural areas, private septic fields, parking lots, etc. which poses contamination threats to, especially, surface water (rivers and streams). The study re-emphasizes the need to protect the Oyster River and Lamprey River watersheds and it points out a number of hazards to the watersheds. [The Oyster River provides the major portion of the Town and University's daily water supply; the Lamprey is our emergency backup supply.]

- The committee cites need for the Town and University to continue to monitor the establishment of new in-stream flow rates being discussed by State agencies

which could restrict use of the Lamprey River as an emergency supply source. In that regard, the importance of perceived impacts upon the Lamprey River when the Town and UNH must draw from that source during extreme drought conditions (an action necessary in three of the past four years) must also be recognized.

- Finally, we urge the University and the Town to place much greater emphasis on collective and individual water conservation actions by all users.

— W. Arthur Grant, Chair

LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1996 Accomplishments

In November 1996, President Clinton signed into law a bill designating the Lamprey River in Durham, Lee and Newmarket a federal Wild and Scenic River. This event culminates a decade-long effort to achieve three-part protection for the river: local shoreland zoning; designation as a protected river under the New Hampshire State Rivers Management and Protection Program; and now the federal component which prevents damaging federally-permitted activities such

as the proposed development of the hydroelectric facility at the Wiswall Dam.

1997 Goals

In the coming year, the Lamprey Committee will begin implementation of its River Management Plan, adopted last year by the towns. Activities will include:

- Continuing to work with conservation-minded landowners wanting to donate land or make conservation arrangements for their riverfront land.
- Rehabilitate the Wiswall Dam area to provide for better, safer and more appropriate recreational use.
- Develop public informational

programs about the history of the river and ways users and landowners can protect its unique resources.

- Participate in review of development proposals affecting the river.
- Study water quality and quantity issues, particularly impacts of water use during drought.

— Judith Spang, Secretary
659-5936

Special Advisory Committees

DURHAM BUSINESS PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Durham Business Park Committee advises the Town Council on economic development of the 29-acre parcel of land off US Route 4, abutting the Wastewater Treatment Plant, which the Town acquired in 1994 in settlement of a legal suit. Bordered by the Oyster River and Johnson Creek and zoned for office and research uses, this meadow land is considered an unusually attractive and unique business site.

The committee — Councilors Ralph Bristol, George Rief, Walter Rous, Patricia Samuels, former Councilor Arthur Grant and Town Administrator Larry Shaffer — devoted much of its effort this past year to refining its concepts for development of the property. Since its inception, the committee has favored sale of the entire property to a single party who would develop the property in ways that are compatible with what the townspeople of Durham would wish. Opportunities to achieve that goal are emerging.

This past summer, a management and development corporation presented a proposal under which the corporation would purchase the property outright and develop it. The corporation's representatives have endorsed the Town's zoning,

shoreland protection and conservation regulations, and the committee's design guidelines and standards. In December, a purchase and-sale agreement was in the hands of the prospective developers. The developers have notified the town that the anticipated use of the property as a retirement community did satisfy their targeted marketing surveys. Those surveys revealed that individuals were concerned about not being in the center of the community and the ability to enter and exit the property from Rt. 4. Meanwhile, the Town Administrator and the committee remain open to discussing proposals with other parties expressing interest in the property.

Other '96 Accomplishments

- Consultation with legal counsel produced a model purchase and sale agreement applicable to a variety of potential buyers and property developers. The agreement incorporates provisions to assure that any development of the property will be consistent with existing Town and State land-use regulations.
- Completion of "Design Guidelines" to provide both prospective buyers and Town staff with objective standards for carrying out development of the property consistent with physical and aesthetic standards set by the committee. The "Guidelines" will be an integral part of any transfer of ownership of the property

- Engaged a survey and mapping firm which provided a detailed analysis of soil conditions, wetlands considerations and other detailed information essential to future use or development of the property.
- Engaged an engineering firm which, at year's end, was completing design work and beginning the State permit-approval process for extending a municipal water line to the site from the Town-owned abutting land.
- Completed repairs that made the on-site sewage pumping station equipment operational.
- Continued to work with Northern Utilities to secure a natural gas pipeline to serve the site. This effort is complicated by right-of-way restrictions associated with federally funded highways (i.e., US Route 4).

Costs of the infrastructure projects outlined above have been funded through a 1995 Town Council-approved \$110,000 investment of Community Development Reserve Funds (former UDAG-grant monies remaining from the Data General project) to prepare the site for sale and development.

The committee is confident that the property will provide the community with viable economic benefits in the near future.

— *W. Arthur Grant, Chair*

LIBRARY NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

In 1996, the Library Negotiating Committee, consisting of councilors John Aber and Ralph Bristol and resident Warren Daniels completed the development of an agreement with the University of New Hampshire for a change in the arrangement through which library services are provided to Durham residents. The new agreement, which was accepted by the Town Council and the University, and will be ratified in December, 1996, recognizes the changing circumstances regarding the use of Dimond Library by Town residents, particularly problems of parking and accessibility, and derives in part from information presented in the report of the Library Services Task Force (1995). The new agreement replaces the 1906 agreement by which the previously existing resources of the Durham Library Association were merged with those of UNH.

The major tenets of the agreement are:

- The University will provide a total of \$250,000 to the town over a 3 year period to aid in the provision of Library services to the residents of Durham. The Town will no longer make any payments (\$42,500 in 1996) to UNH for library services.
- All books and furniture located in the Children's and Browse

Rooms in Dimond Library will be transferred to the Town and the University will provide a truck and driver to assist with the move.

- Residents of Durham and students and teachers in the Oyster River School District will maintain full access to all regular library services provided to faculty and students at UNH. A book drop will be provided at the Town Library for UNH books, and at Dimond Library for Town Library books. The University will provide van service for transfer of materials returned to book drops. Inter-library loan services will be provided through normal channels available to all state libraries.

A full copy of the entire agreement is available at the Town Hall.

Since the acceptance of the agreement, this committee has been

reformulated as a transition team to facilitate the transfer of books and furniture from UNH to the Town. Current members are councilors John Aber and Walter Rous, Judith Spang and Joan Drapeau of the Friends of the Durham Public Library, and TA Larry Shaffer.

— John Aber, Council Representative

Sgt. Rene Kelley blocks Bennett Road which is under water, October, 1996 (photo courtesy Michael D. Golding)



Special Advisory Committees

DURHAM RENTAL HOUSING COMMISSION

Establishment, Membership and Purpose-

The Durham Rental Housing Commission (DRHC) was established by Town Ordinance for the purpose of treating the issue of rental housing "comprehensively and in a cooperative fashion with all interested parties." The composition of the Commission was set at 2 members appointed by the Town (town residents), 2 members of the Durham Landlords Association (DLA), 2 members from UNH Administration, 2 students selected by the Town and the DLA, and one member of the Town Council. The following members were recruited formed the Commission in its first year:

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| Jay Gooze | Durham Resident |
| Paul Berton | DLA |
| Eric Chinburg | DLA |
| Leila Moore | UNH - Administration |
| Barbara Paiton | UNH - Administration |
| Heidi Kendall | UNH - Student |
| John Aber | Town Council |

The Commission was unable, despite repeated efforts, to recruit an additional student, or an additional Town resident without a financial interest in rental housing.

The DRHC was given a list of ten charges which can be paraphrased as:

- Meet regularly (at least twice a year) and report semi-annually.
- Receive and forward complaints related to rental housing to Town and University.
- Develop an information packet summarizing relevant codes and statutes for distribution to all rental housing units and prospective renters.
- Create a model lease.
- Develop an advisory protocol regarding the release of names of tenants to public safety officials in emergency situations.

Activities-

Relative to these charges, the DRHC achieved the following in its first year.

- Meetings and Reports—The DRHC met 6 times between Sept. 1995 and April 1996.
- Receive and forward complaints related to rental housing to Town and University.

Only one complaint was received by the commission this year. It was from an out-of-town parent of a UNH student, and the complaint was found to be groundless.

The lack of complaints and general lack of interest in the doings of the commission was surprising considering the intense feelings which lead to its establishment. We attribute this to a marked reduction in the number of unpleasant

incidents and the elimination of major "hot-spots" by joint town-landlord activities. Whether the discussions and activities of the DRHC contributed to this lessening of tensions and improvement in environment is hard to say.

- Develop an information packet for general distribution—

The commission received a considerable amount of information from Rob Houseman regarding statutes and ordinances related to rental housing, as well as on the number, location and nature of noise complaints recorded each year. The members attempted to distill the central points into a single page flier which can be distributed to renters with their leases and could be made available to student agencies (e.g. the Commuter Office at the MUB) which assist students with renting in town.

- Create a model lease—

The commission discussed this issue at length. It was decided that, rather than produce a single model lease, we should make several typical leases available to prospective renters through UNH offices (again, the Commuter Office, as well as the Housing Office). This should be done in a context that stresses the legally binding nature of the lease. In addition, selected text from leases related to noise, alcohol, clutter, occupancy and parking have been brought

together and should also be included in the set of information available to students. The suggestion was made that all DLA members require parental co-signature or proof of independent income at the time a lease is signed.

- Develop protocol for the release of names of tenants to public safety officials—

The core of this action is the landlords responsibility, under the legal settlement of the suit regarding the Rental Housing Registration Ordinance, for all landlords to voluntarily submit names and phone numbers of the owner of each unit, and a local or resident manager who can be contacted immediately in case of emergency.

— John Aber, Council Representative

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

On November 6, 1995, the Town Council voted to form the Durham Economic Development Committee. The Council's charge to the committee is to promote balanced economic development in Durham and to implement the relevant goals, objectives, and strategies of the 1995 Community Development Plan. The committee members are: Homer Chalifoux, Charles Cressey, David Garvey, Don Gray, David Murphy, Malcolm Sandberg, Kenneth Young, Bruce Bragdon (council representative), William Healy (council representative), and Alex Auty and Jeffrey Crothers (co-chairs).

1996 Accomplishments

The committee first met in July 1996 and has met once a month since that date. In this brief time frame, the committee began work on the following short-term goals:

- Promotion of Durham businesses, specifically the promotion and enhancement of the downtown area. In this regard, Charles Cressey and Kenneth Young gave been working with the newly formed Durham Business Association.
- Identification and encouragement of community friendly businesses to locate in Durham. The committee is working on

production of an informational pamphlet for prospective businesses and exploring other marketing tools such as a web site.

- Initiation of contact with a University of New Hampshire representative, to develop over the long-term an effective partnership with the University regarding economic development.

1997 Goals

In the coming year, the committee will continue to work on the short-term goals as well as the following long-term goals:

- Develop a recommended mix of residential and non-residential zoned land.
- Act as a resource for existing and prospective businesses regarding Durham as a place to do business.
- Assist in the development of an inventory of existing land which would be suitable for economic development.
- Assist in the establishment of a local business visitation program, acting as a liaison with and information resource for local businesses.
- Work with town staff and the local business community to promote Durham businesses.

—Alex Auty and Jeffrey Crothers,
Co-Chairs

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

| DATE OF BIRTH | PLACE OF BIRTH | NAME OF CHILD | SEX | NAMES OF PARENTS |
|---------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----|--|
| 1995 | | | | |
| March 5 | Portsmouth | Cooper James Hoffman | M | Michael Hoffman Cheryl Ann Hoffman |
| March 13 | Portsmouth | John Laurence Auty | M | Christopher John Auty Gene Alexander Auty |
| November 22 | Exeter | Adam Joseph Smath | M | Joseph Anthony Smath Nancy Smath |
| 1996 | | | | |
| January 3 | Portsmouth | Justin John McGowen | M | Kevin Bruce McGowen Kathleen Ann McGowen |
| January 8 | Portsmouth | Patrick Sean Madden | M | Sean Michael Madden Mary Ann Madden |
| January 25 | Exeter | Brianna Cheyenne Tartt-Taylor | F | Rodney Christopher Tartt-Taylor Rosemary Taylor |
| January 26 | Dover | David Wei Wu | M | Qun Wei Wu Xin Liu |
| February 6 | Dover | Baby Boy Nakamaru | M | Tsuneaki Nakamaru Yuriko Nakamaru |
| February 13 | Exeter | Dillon Littel Smith | M | Scott Landon Smith Anastasia Smith |
| February 14 | Portsmouth | Baby Girl Fritter | F | Casey Leonard Fritter Amy Winifred Fritter |
| March 16 | Portsmouth | Ethan Thomas Brock | M | Paul Harris Brock Donna Lynne Brock |
| March 21 | Dover | Connor Thomas Gariepy | M | Peter Gariepy Joan Marie Considine |
| April 4 | Portsmouth | Liam John Cooney | M | Thomas William Cooney Linda Ann Guttman |
| April 18 | Portsmouth | Morgan Anne McGuire | F | Mark William McGuire Cynthia Merle McGuire |
| April 27 | Exeter | Seth William Fowler | M | Eric William Fowler Cynthia Karen Fowler |
| April 29 | Dover | Joanna Jia Zhao | F | Jiangiang Zhao Lijuan Jia |
| May 7 | Portsmouth | Thomas Edward O'Brien | M | Stephen Edward O'Brien Ellen M. O'Brien |
| May 8 | Dover | Noa Grace Holt-Shannon | F | Mark Christopher Shannon Elizabeth Michele Holt-Shannon |
| May 14 | Dover | Connor Davis Fenton | M | Paul Everett Fenton Patricia Lee Fenton |
| May 18 | Portsmouth | Cameron Bruce Sterritt | M | Bruce John Sterritt Ann Marie Sterritt |

Births...

| DATE OF BIRTH | PLACE OF BIRTH | NAME OF CHILD | SEX | NAMES OF PARENTS |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-----|--|
| May 22 | Exeter | Sean Michael Coit | M | Michael Bradford Coit Sandra Lynn Coit |
| May 31 | Portsmouth | Nicholas Lombardi | M | John Paul Lombardi Jessica Eryn Lombardi |
| June 10 | Dover | Benjamin Lee O'Neal | M | Edward Shannon O'Neal Varina Lee O'Neal |
| June 18 | Exeter | Timothy L. R. Walker | M | Patrick Dunne Walker Theresa Mary Walker |
| June 29 | Portsmouth | Gordon Richard Hill | M | Mark Richard Hill Margaret Louise Hill |
| July 5 | Derry | Allison Kathryn Clark | F | Stephen Michael Clark Cheryl Ann Clark |
| July 5 | Exeter | Kasey Lyn Connifey | F | Timothy John Connifey Suzanne Chamberlin Connifey |
| August 19 | Dover | George Tate Fant | M | Luther Franklin Fant, Jr. Mary Christine Fant |
| August 21 | Exeter | Cristiano Serio Bianchi | M | Charles Henry Bianchi Janet Bianchi |
| August 30 | Dover | William Cleaves Pollard | M | Samuel White Pollard Jane Ellen Pollard |
| September 3 | Portsmouth | William George Appleton | M | John Kevin Appleton Pamela Whitney Appleton |
| September 3 | Rochester | Caleb David Cole | M | William John Runyan Cole Judith Anne cole |
| September 20 | Portsmouth | Liam John O'Rourke | M | Daniel James O'Rourke Catherine Elizabeth O'Rourke |
| September 21 | Portsmouth | Amanda Pierce Buckley | F | Peter Davis Buckley Cheryl Ann Buckley |
| September 22 | Portsmouth | Olivia Grace Rock | F | Steven Karl Rock Lisa Jo Rock |
| September 24 | Lebanon | Mikael Richard Pluhar | M | Karel Hayden Pluhar Stephanie Pluhar |
| November 1 | Portsmouth | Maximilian K. Hochschwender | M | Anthony Jerome Hochschwender Michele Mari Hochschwender |
| November 3 | Manchester | Katherine Sage LaRoche | F | Stephen Mark LaRoche Jessica Lynne LaRoche |
| November 18 | Exeter | Sydney Gray Snelling | F | Michael Aaron Snelling Annie Neal Murdoch Snelling |
| November 19 | Exeter | Belinda C. McCormick | F | Gregory Ferguson McCormick Elise McCormick |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

| DATE OF MARRIAGE | PLACE OF MARRIAGE | NAME AND SURNAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM | RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE | NAME AND DESIGNATION OF OFFICIANT |
|------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| April 17 | Durham | Kenneth James Ross Brenda Jean Gallagher | Durham, NH Durham, NH | Linda L. Ekdahl Justice of the Peace |
| May 11 | Durham | Nathan David Robbins Maureen Ann Denyuo | Amesbury , MA Durham, NH | Patick F. Irwin Pastor |
| May 25 | Dover | Erik Paul Cotton Tricia Diane Garland | Durham, NH Barrington, NH | Carmen L. Varney Justice of the Peace |
| July 6 | Durham | Michael Maynard Jackson Kirsten Annette Gooding | Durham, NH Brisbane, Australia | John W. Lynes Minister |
| July 6 | Durham | William James Mocre Deborah Maria Yarrobino | Springfield, MA Springfield, MA | Patrick F. Irwin Pastor |
| July 6 | Lee | Joshua David Snodgrass Melissa Diane Geeslin | Stanford, CA Durham, NH | David A. Kerr Minister |
| July 13 | Durham | James Richard Kilcoyne, Jr Becky Lynne Koch | New York, NY New York, NY | Albert G. Jacobbe Justice of the Peace |
| July 20 | Durham | Tony Armand Marcotte Rebecca Lucy Bolton | Revere, MA Revere, MA | F. Dominic Menna Priest |
| July 27 | Durham | Derek Jason Reed Karen Marie Tagliaferro | Gloucester, MA Durham, NH | Frederick J. Pennett R C Priest |
| July 28 | Dover | William Notman Arnold Lily Belle Zoller | Goffstown, NH Durham, NH | Kenneth J. Monahan Pastor |
| August 2 | Durham | F. William Forhes Martha McDermaid Roy | Durham, NH Durham, NH | John W. Lynes Minister |
| August 3 | Durham | Craig Campney Cummings Sarah Rebecca Jones | Ithaca, NY Durham, NH | John W. Lynes Minister |
| August 10 | Durham | David George Oliver Siobhan Marie Craig | Durham, NH Dover, NH | Patrick F. Irwin Pastor |
| August 10 | Portsmouth | John Gifford Webb Tammi Jean Robinson | Durham, NH Amesbury, MA | James A. Barclay Reverend |
| August 17 | Rochester | Robert Eric Epps Marisa Inga Pottle | Durham, NH Manchester, NH | Stephen L. Aldrich Reverend |
| August 24 | Lincoln | Ivan Edward Bucar Sherry Lucy Allan | Durham, NH S. Berwick, ME | Grayson L. Schwarz Minister |
| August 24 | Portsmouth | Jeffrey Kevin MacPhee Rhonda Lee | Durham, NH Durham, NH | Donald G. Vedeler Clergyman |
| August 24 | Portsmouth | Jeffrey Richard Trask Nancy Ann Harnum | East Lebanon, ME Durham, NH | Donald L. Hiltz Jr. Justice of the Peace |
| October 5 | Durham | Stephen Dana Guptill Suzanne Lee Martin | Portsmouth, NH Durham, NH | Thomas U. Gage Justice of the Peace |
| October 16 | Durham | Kenneth Richard Pinette, Jr. Kimberly Ann Casey | Durham, NH Durham, NH | Mary E. Westfall Reverend |
| November 23 | Durham | Craig Thomas Ryan Amy Jane Ercolino | Barrington, NH Durham, NH | David N. Abbott Reverend |

Marriages...

| DATE OF MARRIAGE | PLACE OF MARRIAGE | NAME AND SURNAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM | RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE | NAME AND DESIGNATION OF OFFICIANT |
|------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| November 29 | Portsmouth | John D. Graham Marjorie S. Deisher | Durham, NH Media, PA | Timothy T. Rich Rector |
| December 21 | Dover | Daniel Franklyn Shea Leah Jane Parady | N. Little Rock, AK Durham, NH | Earle R. Custer Pastor |
| December 28 | Durham | Daniel Edward Ellison | Lee, NH | Patrick F. Irwin |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

| PLACE OF DEATH | NAME OF DECEASED | OCCUPATION | STATE OF BIRTH |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Dover | Andrew Theodore Mooradian | Athletic Director | Massachusetts |
| Hampton | Eleanor Grindle Pierce | Bookkeeper | Maine |
| Dover | Mary Stewart Wurzburger | Homemaker | Arkansas |
| Dover | Avery Edmund Rich | Professor | Maine |
| Dover | Kathryn A. Bindhamer | Clerk | New York |
| Durham | Cynthia Ann Veen | Data Manager | Michigan |
| Dover | Heinz F. Nitka | Research Physicist | Germany |
| Durham | Jeanne Crandall | Registered Nurse | New York |
| Exeter | Fred Ernest Allen | Veterinarian | Massachusetts |
| Durham | Vincent Paul Dugan | Rest Home Owner | Massachusetts |
| Portsmouth | Helen Cheney Heald | Director of Religious Ed. | New Hampshire |
| Durham | Michael David Stringer | Student | Massachusetts |
| Durham | David P. Smith | Engineer | Pennsylvania |
| Ossipee | Theodore R. Comstock | Mechanical Engineer | New Jersey |
| Dover | Helen Dana Abbott | Librarian | Maine |
| Durham | Regis Natalie Croke | Teacher | New York |
| Dover | Mark Scott Sitanian | Student | New Hampshire |
| Dover | Lois Elizabeth Brown | Housewife | New Hampshire |
| Portsmouth | Alexander Asnis | Photographer/Director | Russia |
| Durham | Beatrice Hannah Dewey | Housewife | Canada |
| Exeter | James Stewart Pike, Sr. | Contractor | Massachusetts |
| Portsmouth | Ada Lundholm | Housewife | New Hampshire |
| Durham | Norman John Berrill | Professor | England |
| Dover | Philip Charles Montagano | Pilot | Connecticut |
| Exeter | Marguerite Frasier Damon | Bookkeeper | Massachusetts |
| Dover | Signe L. Englund | Homemaker | Minnesota |
| Dover | Elizabeth Connell | Housewife | Oregon |
| Durham | James S. Lyndes | Real Estate Developer | Vermont |
| Durham | Edmund Howard Dickerman | Design Superintendent | Massachusetts |
| Durham | Kathleen Florence Pike | Secretary | Canada |
| Durham | Jacob J. Repetto | Quality Control Mgr. | New Jersey |
| Durham | Stacy Michelle Cavanaugh | Farmer | Massachusetts |

Town Warrant

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 1997

WARRANT

Town of Durham, Election, Tuesday, March 11, 1997

To the inhabitants of the Town of Durham, the County of Strafford, New Hampshire.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River High School Cafeteria, Coe Drive, in said Durham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March 1997 (the polls will be open between the hours of 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM) to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1:

To bring in your votes for three (3) Councilors (3-year terms), one (1) Councilor (2-year term), one (1) Councilor (1-year term) and one (1) Trustee of the Trust Fund (3-year term).

Article 2:

Shall the Town approve the Charter amendment below?

YES _____ NO _____

Article 11 of the Durham Town Charter is amended to add a new Section 11.1 F. and to re-letter the existing Section 11.1 F as Section 11.1 G, the existing Section 11.1 G as Section 11.1 H and the existing Section 11.1 H as Section 11.1 I.

Section 11.1 F shall read as follows:

F. Board of Library Trustees. There shall be a Board of Library Trustees consisting of seven (7) members. All members shall be elected by official ballot at the annual Town election as required by state law and shall have terms of three (3) years, such terms to be staggered. There shall be an interim Board of Library Trustees consisting of seven (7) members who shall be elected by unofficial ballot by the Town Council at its first regular meeting following adoption of this Charter amendment. Members of the interim Board of Library Trustees shall serve until the next annual Town election at which time the regular Board of Library Trustees shall be elected by official ballot. The interim Board of Library Trustees shall have all of the powers and duties granted to the Board of Library Trustees which shall be as follows:

1. To adopt bylaws, rules and regulations for the conduct of its own business and to choose its own officers.
2. To establish policies designed to effectuate the operation of a public library.
3. To appoint the librarian and staff librarians.
4. To prepare an annual budget for the library in consultation with the librarian which shall provide for the expenditure of such public funds as may be appropriated by the Town.
5. To receive and expend income from all trust funds, donations, and bequests made to the Town for the benefit of the library in accordance with the terms of any such trust fund, donation, or bequest.

6. To expend all monies received from fines, payments for lost or damaged books, fees for providing nonresident services, and other miscellaneous income.
7. To prepare and present annual reports to the Town Council describing all phases of the operation of the library and to make an annual report to the New Hampshire State Library as may be required.
8. To perform all other acts necessary for the management and operation of a public library.

Given under our hands and seal this 21ST day of JANUARY in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Seven.

Councilors of Durham:

William J. Healy, Jr., Chairman
George Rief, Chairman Pro Tem
John Aber
Bruce Bragdon
Dale L. "Pete" Chinburg
W. Arthur Grant
Walter Rous
Patricia Samuels
Edward Valena

Agenda

1997 INFORMATIONAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, March 12, 1997
Oyster River High School Cafeteria
7:00 P.M.

- I. INTRODUCTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS BY TOWN MODERATOR
 - A. Members of the 1996 Town Council
 - B. Newly Elected Members to Town Council in 1997
 - C. Election Results of Other Town Officials and Charter amendment votes

- II. REMARKS
 - A. Comments by Town Council Chairman William Healy, Jr.
 - B. Comments by Town Administrator Laurence Shaffer
 1. Presentation of Certificates
 2. Report on Various Town Activities and Projects with Focus Upon Building Projects Progress

- III. COMMENTS BY CHAIRPERSONS OF COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS
 - A. Conservation Commission
 - B. Historic District Commission
 - C. Parks and Recreation Committee
 - D. Planning Board
 - E. Zoning Board of Adjustment

- IV. OPEN DISCUSSION BETWEEN COUNCIL AND RESIDENTS ON ISSUES OF INTEREST

- V. OTHER BUSINESS

- VI. ADJOURNMENT

Town of Durham Area

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|---|---|
| Land Area (2.2 miles of which is water surface) 25.5 sq. miles | Town Tax Rate (Per \$1,000 Assessed Valuation).....\$34.15 |
| Population (based on 1990 census) 11,818 | Town\$9.53 |
| Incorporated 1732 | School\$22.07 |
| Durham's Congressional District Number 1 | County\$2.55 |
| | Net Assessed Valuation\$321,488,104 |
| | Percentage of Valuation96%* |

* Estimate of percent of valuation.

Meeting Dates for Town Boards, Committees & Commissions (Notices are posted on the Bulletin Board outside the Town Hall.)

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| Town Council | First and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 PM, Town Hall |
| Conservation Commission | Second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM, Town Hall |
| Historic District Commission | First Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, Town Hall |
| Parks & Recreation Committee | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 PM, Town Hall |
| Planning Board | First and third Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 PM, Town Hall |
| Zoning Board of Adjustment | Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, Town Hall |

Town Office Functions:

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| Town Office Hours | Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. |
| Car Registration | Registration in month of birth. Renewal stickers can be purchased at Town Clerk's Office for \$2.50 per registration. |
| Car Inspection | Car must be inspected within ten (10) days of first registration in New Hampshire. After that, inspection is done in the registrant's birth month. |
| Driver's License | Application available at Town Clerk's Office. |
| Dog Registration | Due May 1st. Neutered Male/Spayed Female: \$6.50. Unneutered Male/Unspayed Female: \$9.00. |
| Property Taxes | Due December 1st or thirty (30) days after date of issuance. |
| Water & Sewer Billings | Issued every six (6) months. |
| Voter Registration | New voters can register with the Supervisor of the Checklist or the Town Clerk. Proof of age and citizenship are required. |
| Marriage Licenses | Available through Town Clerk's Office |

Miscellaneous

Public Hearings & Public ForumsNotices for public hearings and public forums are published in the legal section of the Foster's Daily Democrat and Transcript Newspapers.

Solid Waste Management Facility

Located on Durham Point Road. Hours of operation: Tuesday and Saturday, 7:30 a.m-3:15 p.m. Landfill Permits and Bulky Waste Disposal Coupons may be obtained at the Public Works Department, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. 868-1001

Fee Schedule for Landfill Permits

Permanent residents: 1-year permit - \$5.00. Temporary permit – \$5.00 (non-transferable; not to exceed a 30-day period).
Construction permit – \$50.00 (not to exceed a 30-day period).

Tax Exemptions

For information regarding elderly, veteran's, blind, solar energy, and physically handicapped exemptions, or current use taxation, please contact the Tax Assessor at 868-5571.

Emergency Numbers – Fire, Police/Rescue

Emergency from 868 exchanges only 9-1-1
 Emergency from other Town exchanges 868-1212
 Emergency from UNH campus only *9-1-1
 Emergency from other campus exchanges. 862-1212

General Business

Fire 868-5531
 Police 868-2324
 Ambulance 862-3674
 Animal Control 868-2324

Town Offices

Town Clerk/Tax Collector (voter and car registrations;
 dog licenses; tax, water, or sewer payments) 868-5577
 Public Works (landfill permits) 868-5578
 Solid Waste Management Facility 868-1001
 Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement
 (building permits) 868-5578
 Tax Assessor (property tax exemptions, abatements,
 assessment information) 868-5571
 Business Manager 868-5571
 Town Administrator 868-5571

Oyster River School District

Superintendent of Schools 868-5100
 Moharimet Elementary School 742-2900
 Mast Way Elementary School 659-3001
 Middle School 868-2820
 High School 868-2375

Recreation

Larry Flint, Parks and Recreation Advocate 868-7880
 Oyster River Youth Association 868-5150

Governor of New Hampshire

The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen 271-2121
 208-214 State House, Concord NH 03301

U.S. Senators

Senator Robert “Bob” Smith
 332 Diksen Building, Washington, DC 20510
 Local: 1 Harbor Place, Suite 435,
 Portsmouth, NH 03801 433-1667

 Senator Judd Gregg
 393 Russell Building, Washington, DC 20510
 Local: 99 Pease Blvd., Portsmouth, NH 03801 431-2171

U.S. Representative (District 1)

Congressman John E. Sununu
 1210 Longworth House Bldg., Washington, DC 20515
 Local: Suite 28, 601 Spaulding Turnpike,
 Portsmouth, NH 03801 433-1601

Executive Councillor

Ruth Griffin Office: 271-3632
 Room 207, State House,
 Concord NH 03301 Home: 436-5272

Durham’s State Senate Representative

Senator Katherine Wheeler Office: 271-2117
 27 Mill Road, Durham NH 03824 Home: 868-9633

Durham’s State Representatives

Rep. Marjorie Smith – Dist. 8 Office: 271-3369
 P.O. Box 136, Durham NH 03824 Home: 868-7500

 Rep. Amanda Merrill – Dist. 8 Office: 271-2136
 8 Meadow Road, Durham NH 03824 Home: 868-2491

 Rep. Deborah Merritt – Dist. 8 Office: 271-3570
 20 Cedar Point, Durham NH 03824 Home: 743-6397

 Rep. Iris Estabrook – Dist. 8 Office: 271-2169
 8 Burnham Ave., Durham NH 03824 Home: 868-5524

 Rep. Janet Wall – Dist. 9 Office: 271-3184
 P.O. Box 28, Durham NH 03824 Home: 749-3051

Other Commonly Used Numbers

Post Office 868-2151
 Town/UNH Library 862-1534
 Historic Museum 868-5436
 Durham District Court 868-2323
 Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce
 (which serves Durham) 742-2218
 NH Fish and Game 868-1095

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Durham, NH 03824

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