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# JOWN OF NEW LONDON

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ANNUAL REPORT for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2007 & 2008 TOWN MEETING

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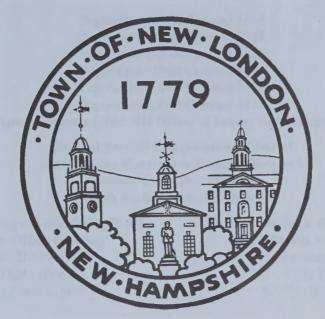
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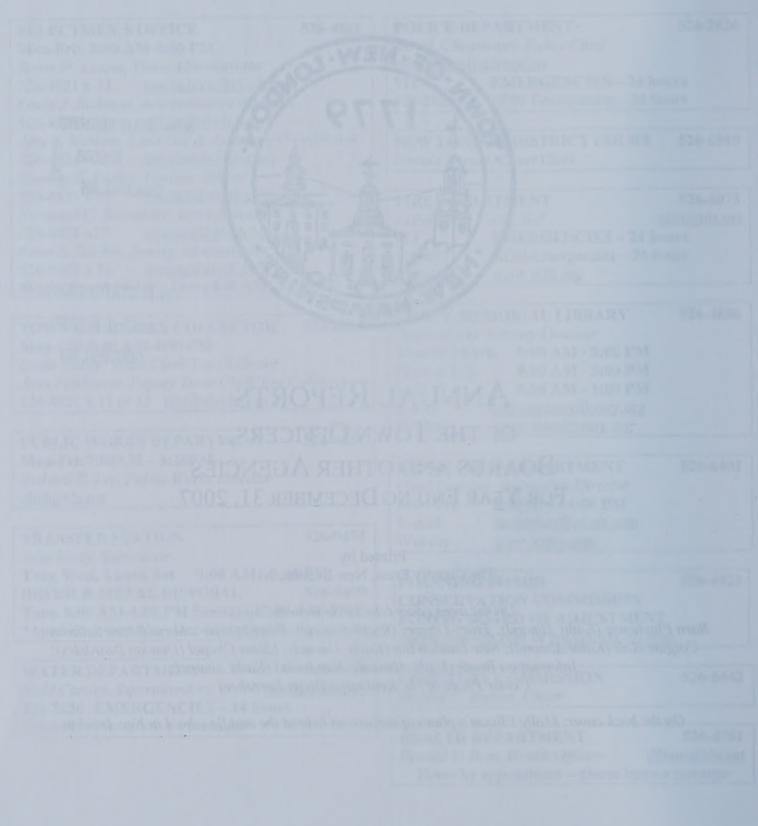
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On the back cover: Molly Ellison's photo of the stream behind the middle school in New London

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#### TOWN OF NEW LONDON

Incorporated June 25, 1779 Total Area 16,192 Acres, Land Area 14,144 Acres Water Area 2,048 Acres Highest Elevation in Town: Morgan Hill 1,760 feet

Population (1950 Census) 1484 Population (1960 Census) 1738 Population (1970 Census) 2236 Population (1980 Census) 2893 Population (1990 Census) 3180 Population (2000 Census) 4116 Population Estimate (2005 NH Office of Energy and Planning) 4490

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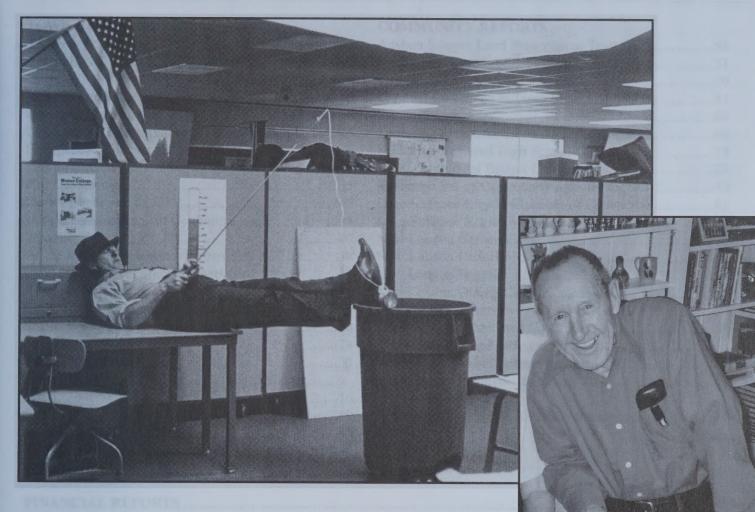
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#### THIS TOWN REPORT IS DEDICATED TO:



**ERNEST E. WELCH** September 6, 1924 – July 6, 2007

A respected and valued school teacher, active citizen and family-man, Ernie was the epitome of "old school." After serving in the U.S. Army during World War II, Ernie returned to New London and the local school system, where he taught for 28 years. He demanded excellence, neatness and precision from all of his students. He started each day with a joke, as he felt humor was a necessary factor of good business practice. Hundreds of students, upon graduation, realized just how much they had learned from Ernie Welch.

Ernie was very proud of the fact that he was raised and educated in New London. He strongly believed that all citizens should attempt to contribute to their community and country. In 1991, the New London Service Organization honored Ernie and Be with the Third of the Century Award, recognizing his many, many hours of volunteer service.

Ernie was a wonderful example to the young people of the Kearsarge Regional School District, to the citizens of our community, to his church and to his friends. We miss you, Ernie and, your humor also!

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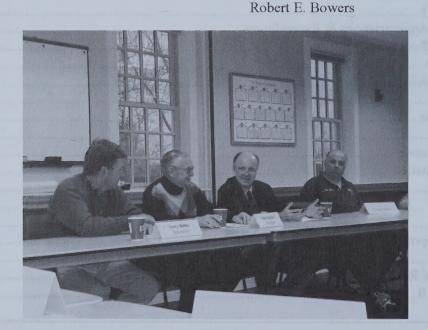
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#### **ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007**

Board of Selectmen	Term Expires	Cemetery Commission	
Ruth I. Clough, Chair	2008	Marion C. Hafner, Chair	2010
Lawrence B. Ballin	2010	Charles M. Hafner	2008
Mark Kaplan	2009	Thomas A. Ginter	2009
Town Clerk		Supervisors of the Checklist	
Linda M. Hardy	2009	Celeste C. Cook, Chair	2010
		Elizabeth Klingler	2008
Treasurer		Arlene B. Marshall	2012
Stephen R. Theroux	2009		
		Tracy Library Trustees	
Town Moderator		Robert E. Bowers	2010
Cotton M. Cleveland	2008	Charles E. Dean	2009
		Nancy S. Donnelly	2008
Trustees of the Trust Funds		Lisa Ensign Wood	2010
Patricia H. Sheehan, Chair	2008	Emily W. Jones	2008
Andrew W. Hager	2010	Elizabeth A. Meller	2009
William C. Horn Jr.	2009	Judith K. Wallace	2009
		Shelby C. Blunt, Treasurer	
Budget Committee			
Constance W. Appel	2009	Kearsarge Regional School District	
Douglas S. Baxter	2009	School Board	
Patricia H. Blanchard	2008	Mark Christensen	2010
John G. Diemar	2009	Kimberly A. Giles	2008
Robert S. Meck	2008		
Noel Weinstein	2010	Kearsarge Regional School District	
James P. Wheeler	2010	Municipal Budget Committee	
John B. Wilson	2010	Diane Chadwick	2010
W. Barry Wright, Chair	2008	Daniel Snyder	2008
Mark Kaplan, Selectmen's Repre			
Sarah A. Denz, Recording Secret	ary	Kearsarge Regional School District	
		Moderator	
		Robert E. Bowers	2008



Colby-Sawyer College President Tom Galligan meets with the Citizen's Advisory Committee on November 3, 2007. From left to right: Selectman Larry Ballin, Selectman Mark Kaplan, President Galligan, and CAC member Joe McCarthy.

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#### **APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007**

Town Administrator:	Jessie W. Levine
Finance Officer:	Carolyn E. Fraley
Town Assessors:	Normand G. Bernaiche Kristin McAllister
Land Use and	
Assessing Coordinator:	Amy A. Rankins
Zoning Administrator:	Peter S. Stanley
Administrative Assistant:	Linda J. Jackman
Deputy Treasurer:	Douglas W. Lyon
Tax Collector:	Linda M. Hardy
Deputy Town Clerk/	
Tax Collector:	Joan F. Pankhurst
Health Officer:	Donald F. Bent, PhD
Welfare Director:	Celeste C. Cook
Tree Warden:	David A. Carey
Police Department	

David J. Seastrand, Chief Edward G. Andersen, Sergeant Christopher C. Currier, Detective Thomas H. Anderson, Detective Jodi Bailey, Officer Marshall R. Osgood, Officer Matthew S. Pickering, Officer Robert L. Thorp, Officer Jeffrey M. Downing, Officer/Part-Time Matthew A. McClay, Officer/Part-Time James S. Valiquet, Officer/Part-Time David A. White, Officer/Part-Time Donna M. Davis, Administrative Assistant

#### **Communications Department**

Gregory M. Barthol Heather R. Cusanelli Joseph J. McCarthy William R. Hardy Jr. Jeffrey Downing, Part-Time Susan M. Gregory, Part-Time Christopher R. Pankhurst, Part-Time

#### **Public Works Department**

Richard E. Lee, Director of Public Works Robert A. Harrington, Foreman/Maint. III Eric Allen, Maintenance Level II Melvin A. Furbush, Maintenance Level II Michael P. Murphy, Maintenance Level II Karen E. Welch, Maintenance Level II Michael J. McElman, Maintenance Level I Shane M. Pillsbury, Maintenance Level I Michael W. Rutter, Maintenance Level I George Mooshian, Sewer/Maintenance I John H. Wiltshire, P/T Cemetery

#### **Transfer Station**

John R. Early, Supervisor Robin H. Lachance, Recycling Attendant Steven R. Tighe, Recycling Attendant

#### Tracy Memorial Library

Sandra Licks, Director Kathryn M. Tracy, Head of Youth Services Meghan Clark McDaniel, Head of Adult Services Gena S. Edmunds, Processing & Youth Services Pauline Lizotte, Youth Services Assistant Melissa L. Carroll, Circulation Manager Nancy S. Dutton, Circulation Assistant Judy Fech, Circulation Assistant Caren Swanson, Circulation Assistant Timmie T. Poh, Processing Manager Raymond L. Heath, Custodian Benjamin Chabot, Student Aid Alexander Winkler, Student Aid Ashley E. Grace, Student Aid Shamus A. Heffernan, Student Aid

#### Joint Loss/Wellness Committee

Chad Denning, Recreation Director Carolyn Fraley, Finance Officer Ray Heath, Library Custodian Jay Lyon, Fire Chief Amy Rankins, Chair, Land Use & Assessing Coordinator David Seastrand, Police Chief Karen Welch, Dept. of Public Works, Maint. II

#### **APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007**

#### Conservation Commission

Laura A. Alexander	2008
Dan H. Allen	2009
Robert Brown	2010
Dale L. Conly	2010
Emma R. Crane	2008
Victoria V. Koron	2009
Leslie W. Norman, Chair	2009
Terence E. Dancy, Alternate	2009
Ruth W. White, Alternate	2010
Planning Board	

Dale L. Conly	2009
Celeste C. Cook	2009
Thomas A. Cottrill	2008
Karen E. Ebel, Chair	2010
Michael Doheny	2010
John F. Hollinger	2008
Lawrence Ballin, Selectmen's Representative	
Judith P. Condict, Recording Secretary	

#### Zoning Board of Adjustment

Michael W. Todd	2008
Courtland J. Cross	2010
Cheryl B. Devoe	2008
William D. Green, Jr., Chair	2009
Douglas W. Lyon	2010
Sue Ellen Andrews, Alternate	2010
Laurie T. DiClerico, Alternate	2009
Jeffrey D. Horten, Alternate	2010
Caroline E. Newkirk, Alternate	2010
Sarah A. Denz, Recording Secretary	
Amy A. Rankins, Clerk	

Lake Sunapee Protective Association Representative John Clough

Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition Representative Terrence Dancy

#### Street Lighting Committee

Mark Vernon, Chair Celeste C. Cook Thomas A. Cottrill John Harrod Mark Wendling Robert Gray Stefan Timbrell

#### Energy Committee

N. Chester Reynolds, Chair Mark Vernon, Vice Chair Frank Anzalone John Clough Robert Crane Jack Harrod

Hardy Hasenfuss Stephen Jesseman Mike Meller Fred Peterson Alice Sprickman

#### **Recreation Commission**

Keith Pomkoski, Chair	2008
Gerald I. Coogan, Vice Chair	2009
Allison McLean	2010
Laura James	2009
Jason Stadler	2010

#### **Ballot** Clerks

William T. Andrews John Lightfoot Mary Alice Maguire Janet Beardsley-Blanco Patricia G. Coogan Irene Nelson **Carlton Fitzgerald Richard Reed** Sonja B. Hannah Pamela J. Saunders Christina M. Helm Sara M. Scheuch Margaret C. Holliday Janis Stokes Kathleen M. Horten Margaret K. Theroux Linda J. Jackman John Tilley Patricia Tilley Suzanne Jesseman Thelma Kaplan Joan M. Trabucchi Susan A. Kent

#### Assistant Moderators

#### Town Archives

Margaret L. Moreland, Archivist	2008
Doris M. Cutter	2009
Hope P. Howard	2008
Robert G. MacMichael	2009
Arrolyn H. Vernon	2009
Verne E. Barrett	2009
Nancy Dutton	2009
Constance M. Granger	2009
Constance Reece	2009
Barbara J. Stearns	2009

Hilary Cleveland Karen Ebel Patsy Steverson

#### **Emergency Management Committee**

Peter Berthiaume, Chair Donald F. Bent, Health Officer Heather Cusanelli, Communications Department Chad Denning, Recreation Director Pam Drewniak, New London Hospital Richard E. Lee, Public Works Director Jessie W. Levine, Town Administrator Jason B. Lyon, Fire Chief David J. Seastrand, Police Chief Donald R. West, Principal, KRMS Kent Wheeler, New London Hospital

#### **APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007**

#### Fire Department Personnel

Jason B. Lyon, Chief Karl R. Bjorklund, Deputy Chief Peter A. Lewis, Captain Amy C. Lyon, 1st Lieutenant & Clerk Christian E. Hoffman, 2<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant Matthew A. McClay, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant Michael J. McElman, 4<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant William R. Hardy, Jr. 5<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Richard Simek, Safety Officer John W. Andrews Ethan A. Ballin Robert W. Barrett, Emeritus Jamie B. Bechok Colin N. Bellavance John Bock John C. Bristol Edgar I. Broadhead, Jr. Sue E. Burmann Samuel C. Cahan James J. Cahill Shaun M. Caisse Brian R. Campbell Brian K. Carey David A. Carey Allison L. Coy Geoffrey R. Daley Thomas J. Durling Anthony J. Edgecomb Gena S. Edmunds Janet M. Ellis Stephen W. Ensign, Emeritus Nancy J. Erickson Richard A. Gauthier. Kaisha E. Hayden Edward M. Johnson Eric C. Johnson Andrew T. Lablanc Glen W. Lohmann Nancy E. Lyon James G. MacKenna, USMC Paul A. Messer, Emeritus Corey M. Oxland, USMC Walter E. Partridge Jr., Emeritus Jen E. Pine James R. Rhodes George A. Robertson Peter S. Stanley James A. Walker Blair M. Weathers

#### **Board of Firewards**

Richard N. Brady	2009
Stephen W. Ensign, Chair	2009
Karen B. Hoglund	2010
Laurids T. Lauridsen III	2008
Gordon P. McKinnon	2010

#### Forest Fire Wardens

Jason B. Lyon, Warden Karl R. Bjorklund, Deputy Warden Janet M. Ellis, Deputy Warden William R. Hardy Jr., Deputy Warden Christian E. Hoffman, Deputy Warden Laurids T. Lauridsen III, Deputy Warden Peter A. Lewis, Deputy Warden Amy C. Lyon, Deputy Warden Matthew McClay, Deputy Warden Walter E. Partridge, Jr., Deputy Warden

#### Citizens Advisory Committee

Cynthia L. Adie	2010
Connie Appel	2010
R. Peter Bianchi	2010
Barbara C. Brown	2010
Hugh A. Chapin	2010
Judith K. Chapin	2010
William P. Clough	2010
Celeste C. Cook	2008
Rip Cross	2010
Michael Doheny	2008
David J. Dunning	2008
Raymond J. Ettenborough	2008
Paul G. Gorman	2010
Robert R. Gray	2008
Jack Harrod	2010
Karen B. Hoglund	2008
Howard Hoke	2010
Jack Holton	2010
Marilyn R. Kidder	2010
Steve P. Landrigan	2008
Robert P. Lavoie	2008
Harmon G. Lewis	2008
Susan L. Little	2010
Ann Loeffler	2010
Robert G. MacMichael	2010
Gary Markoff	2010
Joseph J. McCarthy	2008
Peter J. Messer	2010
David Payne	2010
Fred Peterson	2010
Noel Weinstein	2010
Stephanie P. Wheeler	2010
W. Barry Wright	2010

#### TOWN OF NEW LONDON TOWN MEETING – MARCH 13 AND 14, 2007

#### BALLOT VOTING, MARCH 13, 2007 WHIPPLE MEMORIAL TOWN HALL AT 8:00 AM

Moderator Cotton M. Cleveland called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. and swore in the Supervisors of the Checklist. As per RSA 659:49, absentee ballots were to be called at 1:00 P.M. Upon closing of the polls, Moderator Cleveland announced that the Town Meeting would reconvene at 7:00 P.M. Wednesday, March 14, 2007, at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School to act upon Warrant Articles 2 through 27.

A motion was made and seconded to act on Article 1:

- A. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- B. To vote by ballot on amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance.

#### **VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

The polls were closed at 7:00 P.M. and Moderator Cleveland called the results at 8:15 P.M.

Attest:

Linda M. Hardy, Town Clerk

	CLE 1A: Results of Non Partisan	<u> </u>		
Total R	egistered Voters: 3351; 1217 ballo	-		
	Selectman (For 3 Years) – Vote t		han One	
	Lawrence B. Ballin	724		
	Douglas W. Lyon	474		
	<b>Trustee of Trust Funds (For 3 Y</b>	ears) – Vote	for not more than One	
	Andrew W. Hager	525		
	Theodore S. Brown	458		
	Write-Ins	2		
	<b>Tracy Memorial Library Truste</b>	e (For 3 Year	rs) – Vote for not more than $T_{1}$	wo
	Lisa Ensign Wood	566	Nancy Edwards-Cogswell	276
	Bob Bowers	533	Joan V. H. Harris	196
	Thelma Kaplan	353	John P. (Jack) Harrod	121
	Write-Ins	3		
	Budget Committee Member (Fo	r 3 Years) – V	Vote for not more than Three	
	John B. Wilson	873		
	Jim Wheeler	861		
	Noel Weinstein	794		
	Write-Ins	16		
	Sewer Commissioner (For 3 Yea	rs) – Vote for	r not more than One	
	Betsy Boege	986		
	Write-Ins	17		
	<b>Cemetery Commissioner (For 3</b>	Years) – Vote	e for not more than One	
	Charles M. Hafner	1,069		
	Write-Ins	7		
	Supervisor of the Checklist (For	1 Years) – V	ote for not more than One	
	Elizabeth Klingler	1,023		
	Write-Ins	6		

#### **<u>ARTICLE 1B</u>**: Ballot Results on Amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance

 1.
 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London

 Zoning Ordinance?
 YES

 NO
 \_\_\_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 1:</u>. The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 1* proposes to amend ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 5. <u>Height Regulation</u> to allow chimneys to exceed 35 feet in height as necessary only to comply with state and local fire codes requirements.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to allow residential chimneys to exceed the 35 foot height limitation in order to comply with state and local fire codes.

YES 1084 NO 74

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 2</u>: The *Planning Board's Amendment No 2* proposes to amend ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 14. <u>Temporary Ancillary Sales</u>, Paragraph c. Temporary Fund Raising Events for Non-Profit Organizations to remove the limit on the number and length of events.

<u>**RATIONALE:</u>** The purpose of this amendment is to provide more opportunities for temporary fund raising events for non-profit organizations by removing the limitations on the number and length of fund raising events.</u>

YES 961 NO 187

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 3:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 3* proposes to amend ARTICLE II Definitions to revise the definition of "Structure" to clarify items included or excluded from the definition.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify what is included in the definition of a "Structure." This determines what projects are subject to building permit requirements.

YES 973 NO 167

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 4: The Planning Board's Amendment No. 4 proposes to amend ARTICLE III Definitions to add a definition of "Bedroom".

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to define the term "Bedroom." The definition is necessary so that the bedroom count required by New London's *residential building permit application* can be correlated with the related *on-site sewage disposal system permit*. The *on-site sewage disposal system* is based on the bedroom count.

YES 926 NO 221

5.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 5:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No 5* proposes to amend ARTICLE XXV Enforcement, Section A. <u>Authority</u>, Paragraph 1. to allow the Board of Selectmen to delegate authority to enforce the provisions of this Zoning Ordinance to the Town Administrator and/or the Zoning Administrator to the extent the Board of Selectmen deems necessary. Pursuant to the proposed amendment, the Board of Selectmen must oversee the Administrators and the Administrators must report their activities in a timely manner. The Board of Selectmen may revoke the delegation at any time.

<u>RATIONALE:</u> On advice of Town Counsel, the Town proposes this change in the Zoning Regulations so that the Zoning Ordinance expressly states the actual practice followed by the Board of Selectmen and their delegates.

<u>Approval of this zoning amendment will *not* result in a change to the process itself, but ensures that the Legislative Body (Town Meeting) has' formally authorized the Board of Selectmen to delegate these responsibilities to provide fair, consistent, timely, and efficient enforcement of the regulations. Pursuant to the amendment, the Board of Selectmen is required to oversee the activities of the Administrators and the Administrators must report their activities to the Board of Selectmen in a timely manner. The Board of Selectmen may revoke its delegation of authority at any time and without notice.</u>

Since the inception of New London's current zoning regulations, the Board of Selectmen has been charged by the Legislative Body to enforce the Zoning Ordinance. For many years, this involved reviewing the dozen or so annual building permit applications and investigating the occasional zoning violation. Now the Town processes over 150 building permit applications each year and handles dozens of alleged zoning violations. Since 2000, the Board of Selectmen has delegated the work related to this responsibility to the Town Administrator while retaining enforcement authority. In 2001, the Zoning Administrator position was established to assist applicants and the Board of Selectmen with building and sign permits to ensure compliance with local and state regulations, and to investigate and gather information about reported zoning violations. The Board of Selectmen continued to retain the authority over any action or recommendation made by either staff person.

YES 914 NO 217

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 6:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 6* proposes to amend ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 15. <u>Home Occupations/Home Businesses</u>, to clarify that the dwelling unit where a home occupation or a home business is conducted must be the domicile of the person conducting the business.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the dwelling unit where a Home Occupation or Home Business is conducted must be the legal home of the person engaged in the home occupation or home business.

YES 1026 NO 153

7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 7:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No.* 7 proposes to amend ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 18. <u>Accessory Dwelling Units</u>, Section c. <u>Requirements and Limitations</u>, paragraph 6. to clarify that one of the dwelling units must be the domicile of the owner.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the requirement that one of the dwelling units must be the legal home of the owner to qualify as an Accessory Dwelling Unit for the purposes of the New London Zoning Ordinance.

YES 990

6.

NO 178

#### CONTINUATION OF TOWN MEETING, MARCH 14, 2007 AT 7:00 PM KEARSARGE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

At 7:00 P.M., Kearsarge Regional Elementary School students, accompanied by Donald Clark on the piano and led by Nicole Fenton, opened Town Meeting by singing "The Star Spangled Banner" and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Cotton M. Cleveland thanked the Pot Luck Dinner Committee. The dinner prior to the meeting was attended by approximately 120 people. Moderator Cleveland read the election results from Tuesday, March 13, 2007.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Cotton Cleveland. There were 388 registered voters who attended the 2007 Town Meeting.

To see if the Town will vote to suspend the reading of the individual Articles in the Warrant and to refer to them by number. (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE** 

#### **ARTICLE 3**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$300,000** (three hundred thousand dollars) for the purpose of purchasing land or other property interest therein from the New London Inn, pending the release of liens or other interest from all mortgage holders, and to authorize the issuance of not more than **\$300,000** (three hundred thousand dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33 and to negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Said property consists of approximately one-half acre, the front portion of which supports the skating rink and warming hut and will remain undeveloped in perpetuity (with the exception of the warming hut) and the back portion of which will remain undeveloped other than the future construction of a municipal parking lot. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 ballot vote required) At 7:59 PM ballot boxes were opened for 1 hour. Moderator Cleveland called the results at 9 PM.

ARTICLE PASSED: YES 325 NO 62

#### **ARTICLE 4**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$160,000 (one hundred sixty thousand dollars) for the purpose of design and construction of repairs to Tracy Memorial Library building, including but not limited to roof repairs, furnace replacement, and installation of cooling units, and to authorize the issuance of not more than **\$160,000** (one hundred sixty thousand dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33 and to negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and expend any donated funds towards the project, according to the terms under which they are received, and to borrow in anticipation of receipt of such funds. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 ballot vote required)

Article 4 was amended to read: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$197,000(one hundred ninety-seven thousand dollars) for the purpose of design and construction of repairs to Tracy Memorial Library building, including but not limited to roof repairs, furnace replacement, and installation of cooling units, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$197,000 (one hundred ninety-seven thousand dollars) of bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and expend any donated funds towards the project, according to the terms under which they are received, and to borrow in anticipation of receipt of such funds." Amendment was passed by majority vote. At 8:31 PM ballot boxes were opened for 1 hour. Moderator Cleveland called the results at 9:35 PM.

334 NO 42

#### ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required)

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Executive	267,815	297,541
Elections, Registrations & Vitals	70,485	70,220
Financial Administration	240,778	242,335
Reassessment of Property	77,500	78,500
Legal	40,300	40,300
Personnel Administration	203,890	174,226
Planning and Zoning	48,432	62,025
Cemeteries	32,583	38,581
Insurance (not otherwise allocated)	67,100	72,000
Advertising & Regional Associations	15,128	15,171
General Government Buildings	158,333	<u>176,280</u>
TOTAL	\$1,182,044	\$1,267,179
		VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **PUBLIC SAFETY**. *The Board of Selectmen* and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

	<u>2006</u>	2007	
Police Department	736,160	810,527	
Fire Department	201,055	243,184	
Fire wards	493	594	
Emergency Management	14,394	13,381	
Communications Department	276,300	312,163	
TOTAL	\$1,228,402	\$1,379,849	
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#### ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for HIGHWAYS & STREETS & SANITATION. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

	2006	<u>2007</u>
Highway Administration	615,691	675,698
Highways & Streets/Repair & Maintenance	547,300	520,700
Street Lighting	66,000	26,000
Transfer Station Admin. and Operations	469,045	401,439
Solid Waste Cleanup	25,395	26,400
Sewage Collection & Disposal (Sewer Dept.)	705,000	748,000
TOTAL	\$2,421,839	\$2,398,237
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#### **ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENTS. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

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#### ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **RECREATION AND CULTURE AND CONSERVATION.** *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	2006	2007	
Recreation Department	115,129	144,198	
Tracy Memorial Library	397,950	429,400	
Patriotic Purposes	300	300	
Other Culture, History and Archives	1,000	1,000	
Conservation Administration	7,420	12,964	
Other-Care of Trees	_10,000	10,000	
TOTAL	\$531,799	\$597,862	
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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the payment of **PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF LONG-TERM DEBT.** The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

	2006	<u>2007</u>	
Principal -Bonds and Notes	118,897	171,397	
Interest - Bonds and Notes	84,040	<u>89,785</u>	
TOTAL	\$202,937	\$261,182	
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#### **ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established CAPITAL AND NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS, as follows. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Bridge Repair & Maintenance Fund	5,000	5,000
Computer Repair & Maintenance Fund	1,000	1,000
Computer Software Capital Reserve Fund	0	0
Conservation Commission Land Acquisition Fund	150,000	50,000
Dispatch Radio Capital Reserve Fund	5,000	5,000
Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	75,000	75,000
Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve	155,000	155,000
Intersection Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	52,000	52,000
Main Street Capital Reserve Fund	10,000	10,000
Master Plan Update Capital Reserve Fund	10,000	17,500
Milfoil Treatment & Prevention Fund	28,000	28,000
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	32,000	82,000
Police Department Computer Updates Reserve Fund	9,000	0
Police Department Copier Capital Reserve Fund	4,000	<u>4,000</u>
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	15,000	3,000
Recreation Land Capital Reserve Fund	25,000	25,000
Sidewalk Project Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	20,000
Town Building Maintenance Fund	63,000	25,000
Town Hall Basement Capital Reserve Fund	50,000	25,000
Town Office Copier Replacement Reserve Fund	0	0
Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund	15,000	20,000
Tracy Library Community Garden Maintenance Fund	5,000	4,000
Tracy Library Computer Fund	7,000	7,000
Transfer Station Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	<u>5,000</u>	5,000
TOTAL	\$741,000	\$618,500
	VOTI	E IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$210,600 (two hundred and ten thousand six hundred dollars)** for the vehicle and equipment purchases listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal of the amounts below from the listed capital reserve funds. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Replace sidewalk tractor	\$20,600
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Purchase third refuse trailer for Transfer Station	and
purchase 10-wheel dump truck	\$165,000
Tracy Library Computer Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Replace certain computers at library	\$7,000
Police Computer Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Police Department computer hardware upgrade	<u>\$18,000</u>
TOTAL	\$210,600
	<b>VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE</b>

#### ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$118,500 (one hundred eighteen thousand five hundred dollars)** for the building repair and maintenance purposes listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal from the listed capital reserve funds in the amounts below. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Town Building Maintenance Fund	
Purpose: purchase curtain and chairs for Whipple Memorial Tow	n
Hall	\$31,000
Whipple Memorial Town Hall Basement Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Begin renovation (restore police evidence storage room	IS
and training space)	<u>\$87,500</u>
	\$118,500
s amended to change the amount for the Whipple Memorial Town Hall B	asement Reserve I

Article 13 was amended to change the amount for the Whipple Memorial Town Hall Basement Reserve Fund from \$87,500 to \$40,000 and the total of the appropriation from \$118,500 to \$71,000 due to not beginning repairs in the Town Hall Basement in 2007. Voice vote on the amendment was in the affirmative.

VOTE ON AMENDED ARTICLE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

#### **ARTICLE 14**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,500 (twenty seven thousand five hundred dollars) to purchase a new Police Cruiser. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE** 

#### **ARTICLE 15**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$16,000** (sixteen thousand dollars) for the purposes of **Milfoil Prevention and Treatment** in New London water bodies, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Milfoil Prevention and Treatment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE** 

#### **ARTICLE 16**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700,000 (seven hundred thousand dollars) for construction of a roundabout at the Newport and County Road intersection and sidewalks on Newport Road and County Road, and to authorize the acceptance of \$560,000 (five hundred and sixty thousand dollars) from a federal grant, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$70,000 (seventy thousand dollars) from the Intersection Improvement Capital Reserve Fund and \$70,000 (seventy thousand dollars) from the Sidewalk Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moderator Cleveland declared that a paper ballot would be used for this article due to the need for secrecy, although unlike a bond article, a 2/3 vote is not necessary. VOTE: YES 222 NO 78

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,800 (twenty thousand eight hundred dollars)** for the purposes of updating the **1998 Master Plan**, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Master Plan Update Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

#### **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

#### **ARTICLE 18**

To see if the Town will vote to establish, per RSA 35, a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of repairing Pleasant Lake **Dam**, gate, and associated structures, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000** (twenty thousand dollars) to be placed into this fund, which shall be known as the Pleasant Lake Dam Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required.)

#### **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

#### ARTICLE 19

To see if Town Meeting will vote to dissolve the elected Sewer Commission established in 1939 and return all authority and responsibility for the sewer system to the Board of Selectmen. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this warrant article.* (Majority vote required.)

Again, Moderator Cleveland called for a paper ballot vote to ensure privacy. VOTE: YES 217 NO 72

#### ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to establish, per RSA 35, a Capital Reserve Fund for Sewer Department equipment and repairs, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$96,000 (ninety six thousand dollars) to be placed into this fund, which shall be known as the Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds shall be reimbursed by fees collected from sewer users. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

#### **ARTICLE 21**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (forty thousand dollars) for the purpose of equipment replacement and repairs in the Sewer Department, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

#### ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to dissolve the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District. *The Board of Selectmen recommends this warrant article.* (Ballot vote -- majority vote required.) VOTE: YES 223 NO 3

#### ARTICLE 23

In the event that the dissolution of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District is not approved by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the District, to see if the Town will vote to withdrawn from the District. *The Board of Selectmen recommends this warrant article.* (Ballot vote -- majority vote required.)

VOTE: YES 219 NO 5

#### **ARTICLE 24**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize a permanent conservation easement, to be held by the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, on its property described as Tax Map 96, Lot 40, consisting of 37 acres accessible by Frothingham Road, and to authorize the improvement of the roadway leading to the sewer lagoons to enable the filling of the sewer lagoons on the property, and to authorize the filling and closure of said lagoons under the supervision of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and/or the United States Environmental Protection Agency. *The Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission recommend this warrant article.* (Majority vote required.)

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE** 

To see if the Town will authorize the following exchange of property: a portion of property owned by the Town of New London, described as a portion of Tax Map 88, Lot 7, consisting of approximately two (2) acres, with a portion of the property owned by Christopher and Maria Lynch, described as Tax Map 100, Lot 2, consisting of approximately ten (10) acres. This exchange of property permits the Town to acquire 800 feet of the Davis Path that it does not currently own, allowing legal use of the existing trail system. *The Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission recommend this warrant article.* (Majority vote required.)

#### **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

#### ARTICLE 26

To see if the town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of New London. These actions include:

- 1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of US greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
- 2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of New London encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. *Petitioned Warrant Article*. (Majority vote required.) **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE** 

#### ARTICLE 27

To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. (Majority vote required).

There being no further business to be conducted at the meeting, Moderator Cleveland put forth the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 P.M. **AFFIRMATIVE VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT** 

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Hardy, Town Clerk

A True Copy Attest: Linda M. Hardy, Town Clerk

### 2008 Town Meeting Warrant



Town Meeting March 12, 2008 7:00 PM Kearsarge Regional Middle School Cougar Court, New London



#### TOWN OF NEW LONDON Volunteer Interest Form for Town Committees, Boards, and Commissions

Name:	Date:
Mailing Address:	Street Address (if different):
Home Phone:	E-mail:
Work Phone:	Fax:
1. Board/Committee on which you would like	
2. Why do you want to serve on this board? _	

*Please send completed application form and resume if available to the Board of Selectmen's Office, PO Box 240, New London, NH 03257 (telephone: 526-4821; fax: 526-9494).* 

#### **Appointed Boards/Positions**

Planning Board or Master Plan Subcommittee Zoning Board of Adjustment Conservation Commission Regional Planning Representatives Emergency Management Committee Recreation Commission Town Archives Committee Energy Committee Solid Waste Committee Ballot Clerks Board of Firewards Citizen's Advisory Committee

#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN OF NEW LONDON 2008 TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of New London in the County of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Whipple Memorial Town Hall in New London on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 8:00 in the forenoon to act upon the subjects below. By law, the meeting must open before voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 8:00 AM for the consideration of Articles 1A & 1B. At 12:00 noon, the meeting will recess, and the polls will remain open until 7:00 PM. The meeting will reconvene at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School Gymnasium in New London on Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon Articles 2 - 27.

#### **ARTICLE 1**

- **A.** To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year:
  - 1 Selectman (3-year term)
  - 1 Trustee of the Trust Funds (3-year term)
  - 3 Budget Committee Members (3-year term)
- 1 Cemetery Commissioner (3-year term)
- 2 Tracy Library Trustees (3-year term)
- 1 Town Moderator (2-year term)
- **B.** To vote by ballot on the following amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance:
- 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES NO

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 1:</u>. The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 1* proposes to change and clarify the definition of "Alter" in ARTICLE III.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to revise and clarify what improvements are included in the definition of "Alter" and thereby clarify those that are subject to a building permit.

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES NO

AMENDMENT NO. 2: The Planning Board's Amendment No 2 proposes to revise the definition of "Right-of-Way" in ARTICLE III.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the width of undefined private "Rights-of-Way" for measuring setback requirements.

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 3: The Planning Board's Amendment No. 3 proposes to change the definition of "Side Yard" in ARTICLE III.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that for districts with a Side Yard setback aggregate minimum width requirement, it is the primary Structure on a lot, not an accessory Structure, from which the minimum Side Yard setback is measured.

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 4</u>: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 4* proposes to amend the provisions pertaining to Voluntary Replacement or Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Building or Structure in ARTICLE XX to allow for more improvements and expansions of Nonconforming Buildings or Structures located outside the <u>Floodplain Overlay District</u>.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to permit greater improvement of Nonconforming Buildings or Structures located outside the <u>Floodplain Overlay District</u>.

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 5:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No 5* proposes to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Residential District provision regarding corner Lots in ARTICLE V.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this "housekeeping" amendment is to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Residential District regulation regarding corner Lots, thereby conforming this regulation to the remainder of the Zoning Ordinance.

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 6</u>: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 6* proposes to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Agricultural and Rural Residential District provision regarding corner Lots in ARTICLE VI.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this "housekeeping" amendment is to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Agricultural and Rural Residential District regulation regarding corner Lots, thereby conforming this regulation to the remainder of the Zoning Ordinance.

7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 7:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No.* 7 proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to permit Agriculture in all Zone Districts, and to revise the definition of Agriculture, and to add specific provisions regarding the keeping of animals and Livestock to ARTICLE II.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to revise the Zoning Ordinance to permit Agriculture in all zone districts, and to revise the definition of Agriculture by including, among other things, clarifying provisions regarding the keeping of animals and Livestock.

8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES NO

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 8:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 8* proposes to amend the ordinance to better define the upper limits of buffering for the tributaries of protected wetlands specified in ARTICLE XIII Wetlands Conservation Overlay District.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The Zoning Ordinance lacks clarity on the upper limits of buffering for the tributaries of protected Wetlands specified in ARTICLE XIII. The purpose of this amendment is to better define the upper limits of buffering of the tributaries for these protected Wetlands.

9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES NO

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 9</u>: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 9* proposes to amend the Town's floodplain regulations in ARTICLE XV so the Town will remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and its citizens continue to be eligible to purchase flood insurance.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has identified numerous "house-keeping" type amendments needed for the town's floodplain regulations to remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program. The town needs to make these changes so citizens continue to be eligible to purchase flood insurance.

 10.
 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?

 YES
 NO

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 10:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 10* proposes to amend the Town's sign regulations in ARTICLE II to allow flexibility in the size, number and location of signs for Colby-Sawyer College and the New London Hospital, subject to approval by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to address the unique sign needs of Colby-Sawyer College and the New London Hospital and to amend the Town's sign regulations to allow flexibility in the size, number and location of signs for these uses as approved by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process.

11. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 11:</u> The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 11* proposes to amend the Town's Shore Land Overlay District in ARTICLE XVI primarily to conform to the stricter provisions of the State's recently amended Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act.

<u>RATIONALE</u>: The purpose of this amendment is to amend the Town's Shore Land Overlay District primarily to conform to the stricter provisions of the State's recently amended Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act. Major changes include incorporating the new State provisions on waterfront buffers and impervious surface coverage restrictions for shoreland lots.

#### ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to suspend the reading of the individual Articles in the Warrant and to refer to them by number. (Majority vote required)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u> <u>2008</u>
Executive 297	7,541 329,274
Elections, Registrations & Vitals 70	0,220 <b>84,683</b>
Financial Administration 242	2,335 <b>279,442</b>
Reassessment of Property 78	8,500 <b>82,500</b>
Legal 40	0,300 <b>40,300</b>
Personnel Administration 174	4,226 171,898
Planning and Zoning 62	2,025 <b>64,608</b>
Cemeteries 38	<b>49,023</b>
Insurance (not otherwise allocated) 72	2,000 <b>88,000</b>
Advertising & Regional Associations 15	5,171 <b>16,306</b>
General Government Buildings <u>176</u>	<u>5,280</u> <u>183,237</u>
<b>TOTAL</b> \$1,267	7,179 <b>\$1,389,271</b>

2008 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.98 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$98

#### **ARTICLE 4**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **PUBLIC SAFETY**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required).

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Police Department	810,527	839,451
Fire Department	243,184	262,075
Firewards	594	594
Emergency Management	13,381	7,531
Communications Department	312,163	<u>321,126</u>
TOTAL	\$1,379,849	\$1,430,777

2008 tax rate impact: \$1.01 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$101

#### **ARTICLE 5**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for HIGHWAYS & STREETS & SANITATION. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Highway Administration	675,698	776,731
Highways & Streets/Repair & Maintenance	520,700	503,200
Street Lighting	26,000	14,000
Transfer Station Admin. and Operations	401,439	385,039
Solid Waste Cleanup	26,400	27,150
Sewage Collection & Disposal (Sewer Dept.)	748,000	749,780
TOTAL	\$2,398,237	\$2,455,900

2008 tax rate impact: \$1.11

Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$111 Note: sewage collection charges are paid by users of the sewer system

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for HEALTH AND WELFARE **DEPARTMENTS**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
Health Administration	20,507	8,287
Kearsarge Council on Aging	20,000	20,000
Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association	11,672	11,472
New London Ambulance	86,913	80,743
WELFARE DEPARTMENT		
Welfare Administration	812	1,811
Intergovernmental Welfare (CAP)	3,809	3,809
Welfare/Vendor Payments	<u>6,000</u>	<u>8,000</u>
TOTAL	\$149,713	\$134,122

2008 tax rate impact: \$0.09 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$9

#### **ARTICLE 7**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **RECREATION AND CULTURE AND CONSERVATION.** *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Recreation Department	144,198	147,979
Tracy Memorial Library	429,400	461,330
Patriotic Purposes	300	300
Other Culture, History and Archives	1,000	1,000
Energy Committee	0	3,841
Conservation Administration	12,964	11,664
Other-Care of Trees	<u>10,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$597,862	\$631,114

2008 tax rate impact: \$0.44 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$44

#### **ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the payment of **PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF LONG-TERM DEBT.** The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

	2007	2008
Principal -Bonds and Notes	171,397	198,597
Interest - Bonds and Notes	<u>89,785</u>	103,441
TOTAL	\$261,182	\$302,038

2008 tax rate impact: \$0.18

Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$18

Note: Sewer Department Principal & Interest paid by users of the sewer system

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established CAPITAL AND NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS, as follows. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Bridge Repair & Maintenance Fund	5,000	5,000
Computer Repair & Maintenance Fund	1,000	1,000
Conservation Commission Land Acquisition Fund	50,000	50,000
Dispatch Radio Capital Reserve Fund	5,000	5,000
Fire Breathing Apparatus Reserve Fund	0	10,000
Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	75,000	90,000
Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve	155,000	150,000
Intersection Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	52,000	52,000
Main Street Capital Reserve Fund	10,000	• 0
Master Plan Update Capital Reserve Fund	17,500	17,500
Milfoil Treatment & Prevention Fund	28,000	0
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	82,000	14,000
Pleasant Lake Dam Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	32,000
Police Department Copier Capital Reserve Fund	4,000	4,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	3,000	29,000
Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund	96,000	20,000
Sidewalk Project Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	20,000
Town Building Maintenance Fund	25,000	40,000
Town Hall Basement Capital Reserve Fund	25,000	40,000
Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund	20,000	68,000
Tracy Library Community Garden Maintenance Fund	4,000	3,000
Tracy Library Computer Fund	7,000	5,000
Transfer Station Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	5,000	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$709,500	\$660,500

2008 tax rate impact: \$0.54

Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$54 Note: Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund paid by users of the sewer system

#### **ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote: to change the name and purpose of the Police Department Copier Capital Reserve Fund established in 2005 to the Police Department Office Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 vote required) 2008 tax rate impact: \$0

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$96,800 (ninety-six thousand eight hundred dollars) for the vehicle and equipment purchases listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal of the amounts below from the listed capital reserve funds. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Pick-up truck for Public Works Department	\$35,000
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Tree Chipper	\$10,000
Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Pick-up truck for Sewer Department & grit removal for pump	
station	\$45,000
Tracy Library Computer Capital Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Replace certain computers at library	<u>\$6,800</u>
TOTAL	\$96,800

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$140,000 (one hundred forty thousand dollars) for the building repair and maintenance purposes listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal from the listed capital reserve funds in the amounts below. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund	
Purpose: Carpet main floor & stairway; reconfigure circulation area	\$25,000
Town Building Maintenance Fund	
Purpose: purchase chairs for Whipple Memorial Town Hall & paint Old	
Colby Academy building	\$40,000
Whipple Memorial Town Hall Basement Reserve Fund	
Purpose: Renovation (restore police evidence storage and training space)	<u>\$75,000</u>
	\$140,000

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 13**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,500 (eighteen thousand five hundred dollars) for the purposes of Milfoil Prevention and Treatment in New London waterbodies, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Milfoil Prevention and Treatment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 14**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 (seventy-five thousand dollars) for engineering costs and contingency for construction of a roundabout at the Newport and County Road intersection and sidewalks on Newport Road and County Road, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Intersection Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,000 (forty-one thousand dollars) for the purposes of updating the 1998 Master Plan, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Master Plan Update Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required.)

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 16**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$60,000** (sixty thousand dollars), for the purposes of repairing Pleasant Lake Dam, gate, and associated structures, and to authorize the acceptance of a gift of up to **\$8,000** (eight thousand dollars) from the Pleasant Lake Protective Association and further authorize the withdrawal of **\$52,000** (fifty-two thousand dollars) from the Pleasant Lake Dam Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 17**

To see if the Town will vote to: 1) change the name and purpose of the Recreation Land Capital Reserve Fund established in 2004 to the Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund, to allow the fund to be used for improvements to existing Town-owned facilities for Recreation Department purposes; and 2) raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) to be placed into this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 vote required)

> 2008 tax rate impact: \$0.014 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$1.40

#### **ARTICLE 18**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$40,000** (forty thousand dollars) for the purposes of 1) design and construction of a new septic system for the Bucklin Beach facilities; and 2) improvements and signage for the Bob Andrews Memorial Ice Rink and Warming Hut, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* 

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 19**

To see if the Town will vote to: 1) establish, per RSA 35, a Capital Reserve Fund for Gravel Road Improvement and Paving, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$76,000 (seventy-six thousand dollars) to be placed into this fund, which shall be known as the Gravel Roads Capital Reserve Fund; and 2) authorize the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

2008 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.04 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$4

#### ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,000 (sixty-eight thousand dollars) for the purpose of upgrading and paving certain gravel roads, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Gravel Roads Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) 2008 tax rate impact: \$0

To see if the Town will vote to: 1) establish, per RSA 35, a Capital Reserve Fund for closing and filling the sewer lagoons, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500 (twelve thousand five hundred dollars) to be placed into this fund, which shall be known as the Sewer Lagoon Capital Reserve Fund; and 2) authorize the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*. (Majority vote required.)

2008 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.007 Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$0.70

#### **ARTICLE 22**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$275,000** (two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars) for the purpose of purchasing land or other property interest therein from the Shultz family (including survey, subdivision and legal fees), and to authorize the withdrawal of not more than **\$275,000** (two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars) from the Conservation Land Capital Reserve Fund. Said land is further described as approximately 60 acres of a 90-acre parcel located at 148 Old Main Street (New London Tax Map 107, Lot 017-000), including approximately one-fifth (1/5) of the frontage on Clark Pond. Combined with other contiguous Town-owned land off of Bog Road, this will result in a parcel of approximately 100 acres with the first public access (foot access only) to Clark Pond. *The Budget Committee does not recommend this article. The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article.* 

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 23**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 (three thousand dollars) to purchase uniforms and equipment for new employees in the Police Department, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$3,000 (three thousand dollars) from Town surplus as of December 31, 2007, for this account. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until December 31, 2015. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 24**

To see if the Town will vote to close the capital reserve funds listed below and to authorize the transfer of the current balance plus any accumulated interest into the General Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* 

Name of Fund	Balance as of 12/31/07
Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993	\$945.00
Town Generator Capital Reserve Fund created in 1996	\$1,958.00
Bucklin Beach Capital Reserve Fund created in 2000	\$283.00
Hays Dam Capital Reserve Fund created in 2000	\$610.00
Public Works Study Fund created in 2005	\$0.00

2008 tax rate impact: \$0

#### **ARTICLE 25**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a long-term (five-year) agreement to lease the Elkins Post Office to the United States Postal Service, beginning on January 1, 2010, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems prudent and in the best interests of the Town. (Majority vote required.)

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator, and our Governor:

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

Petitioned Warrant Article. (Majority vote required.)

#### **ARTICLE 27**

To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. (Majority vote required).

Given under our hands and seal this  $\frac{3}{2}$  th day of February, two thousand and eight.

New London Board of Selectmen Mark Kaplan, Chair Lawrence B. Ballín Brían Prescott

> A true Copy of Warrant - Attest New London Board of Selectmen

Mark Kaplan, Chair

## 2008 Proposed Zoning Amendments



Town Election Day March 11, 2008 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM Whipple Memorial Town Hall

### 2008 AMENDMENTS TO THE NEW LONDON ZONING ORDINANCE PROPOSED BY THE NEW LONDON PLANNING BOARD AS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN CLERK ON FEBRUARY 5, 2008

The **amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance proposed by the New London Planning Board** as submitted to the Town Clerk on February 5, 2008 are outlined below. The additions are <u>underlined</u> and the deletions are <del>crossed out</del>.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1:

The Planning Board's Amendment No. 1 proposes to change and clarify the definition of "Alter" in ARTICLE III.

Specifically, Amendment No 1 proposes to amend ARTICLE III Definitions to change the definition of "Alter" as follows:

7. Alter: Any change or alteration in the footprint or external dimensions of a Building or Structure, including the number and location of windows and doors; any rearrangement of rooms in a Structure; the improvement of or conversion of any room to a bedroom, bathroom or kitchen; the addition of a chimney, fireplace, or foundation; and any change in the type of siding material or roofing material used on the Structure. For the purposes of this definition, maintenance and repairs to a Structure that result in a functionally equivalent Building using similar materials are not included in the definition of Alter. Any structural change or rearrangement in the supporting members of an existing Building, such as bearing walls, columns, beams, girders, or interior partitions, as well as any structural change in doors, windows, means of ingress or egress, or any enlargement or diminution of a Building or Structure, whether horizontally or vertically.

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The purpose of this amendment is to revise and clarify what improvements are included in the definition of "Alter" and thereby clarify those that are subject to a building permit.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2:

The Planning Board's Amendment No 2 proposes to revise the definition of "Right-of-Way" in ARTICLE III.

Specifically, Amendment No 2 proposes to amend **ARTICLE III** Definitions to revise the definition of "Right-of-Way" as follows:

110. <u>Right-of-Way:</u> Includes all town, state and federal highways, and rights-of-way public or private and the land on either side of same as covered by Statutes to determine the widths of the right-of-way. <u>In addition, private rights-of-way that serve three or more properties whose dimensions and location are not defined by deed, plan or metes and bounds, shall be considered 40 feet wide for the purposes of establishing a bound for measuring front yards and corner yards. In these instances, front yard and corner yard depth shall be measured at right angles to the lot line bordering this Right-of-Way beginning at a point 20 feet from the centerline of the existing private Street, excluding driveways, within the private Right-of-Way. The front and corner yard measurement shall be the depth required by the underlying zone district. The terms of this definition shall not apply to common driveways serving only two properties.</u>

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the width of undefined private "Rights-of-Way" for measuring setback requirements.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3:

The Planning Board's Amendment No. 3 proposes to change the definition of "Side Yard" in ARTICLE III.

Specifically, Amendment No 3 proposes to amend **ARTICLE III Definitions** to change the definition of "Side Yard" as follows:

115. <u>Side Yard</u>: A space extending the full depth of the Lot and lying between the side Lot Line and the nearest part of the Structure. Side Yard width shall be measured at right angles to the side Lot Lines. For districts that establish an aggregate minimum width for Side Yards, if the <u>primary</u> first Structure on the Lot is constructed with a minimum Side Yard setback, then all subsequent Structures on the Lot shall conform to with the setback established by the <u>primary</u> first Structure.

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that for districts with a Side Yard setback aggregate minimum width requirement, it is the primary Structure on a lot, not an accessory Structure, from which the minimum Side Yard setback is measured.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 4* proposes to amend the provisions pertaining to Voluntary Replacement or Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Building or Structure in **ARTICLE XX** to allow for more improvements and expansions of Nonconforming Buildings or Structures located outside the <u>Floodplain Overlay District</u>.

Specifically, Amendment No 4 proposes to amend **ARTICLE XX Legal Nonconforming Uses**, **Nonconforming Buildings & Structures and Nonconforming Lots**, section B. <u>Nonconforming Buildings and Structures</u>, sub-section 3.b. Voluntary Replacement or Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Building or Structure as follows:

- b. Voluntary Replacement or Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Building or Structure:
  - 1. For use with ARTICLE XV Floodplain Overlay District: The Substantial Improvement or voluntary replacement of a Nonconforming Building or Structure is permitted only if it complies with all of the standards of this Ordinance including the aspect that makes the existing Building or Structure non-conforming. This section does not include Building Maintenance within the types of work that comprise Substantial Improvement.
  - 2. For use with all the remaining ARTICLES of the Zoning Ordinance:

The voluntary replacement or relocation of a Nonconforming Building or Structure, or structural improvements to a Nonconforming Building or Structure that result in a 50% increase in the square footage of useable floor area (including decks, porches, basements, garages and attics, in addition to finished floor area) of that Structure is permitted only if it complies with all of the standards of this Ordinance including the aspect that makes the existing Building or Structure nonconforming. For the purposes of this Section, additions to the square footage of floor area of any structure shall be cumulative beginning with first improvement following the date of the adoption of this amendment.

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The purpose of this amendment is to permit greater improvement of Nonconforming Buildings or Structures located outside the <u>Floodplain Overlay District</u>.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No 5* proposes to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the **Residential District** provision regarding corner Lots in **ARTICLE V**.

Specifically, Amendment No 5 proposes to amend ARTICLE V Residential Districts, paragraph C. <u>Yard Requirements</u>, sub-Paragraph 3. as follows:

2. On each corner Lot there shall be a yard having a width of not less than 25 feet abutting each <u>Right-Of-Way</u> Street.

**RATIONALE:** The purpose of this "housekeeping" amendment is to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Residential District regulation regarding corner Lots, thereby conforming this regulation to the remainder of the Zoning Ordinance.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 6:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 6* proposes to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the **Agricultural and Rural Residential District** provision regarding corner Lots in **ARTICLE VI**.

Specifically, Amendment No 6 proposes to amend ARTICLE VI Agricultural and Rural Residential District, section C. <u>Yard Requirements</u>, sub-section 3. as follows:

2. On each corner Lot there shall be a yard having a width of not less than 50 feet abutting each Right-Of-Way Street.

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The purpose of this "housekeeping" amendment is to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the **Agricultural and Rural Residential District** regulation regarding corner Lots, thereby conforming this regulation to the remainder of the Zoning Ordinance.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No.* 7 proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to permit Agriculture in all zone districts, and to revise the definition of Agriculture, and to add specific provisions regarding the keeping of animals and Livestock to **ARTICLE II**.

Specifically, Amendment No 7 proposes to amend provisions pertaining to agriculture and the raising of animals and livestock to include the following:

- A. Amend ARTICLE II General Provisions, section 1. <u>Agriculture</u> as follows:
  - 1. <u>Agriculture</u>: Agricultural <u>or Farm</u> Uses shall comply with the following:
  - a. All agricultural and farming activities shall be performed according to the Manual of Best Management Practices for Agriculture in New Hampshire developed by the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, as amended.
  - b. <u>Agricultural or Farm Buildings</u>, other than a dwelling, shall not be erected within 100 feet of a neighboring property.
  - c. Roadside stands for sale of agricultural products shall be permitted <u>without Site Plan Review</u> if:

- 1. They are erected at least 20 feet back from the nearest edge of roadway surface;
- 2. They are used exclusively for the sale of agricultural products grown locally;
- 3. Parking spaces are provided off the road right-of-way;
- 4. Signs conform to provisions set forth in Section 10 of this Article.
- Nothing shall prohibit the keeping of up to six (6) adult dogs or any other domestic household pets, such as dogs or cats. However, kennels as a Commercial Use for the breeding, boarding, grooming and sale of cats and dogs must receive approval from the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a Special Exception and Site Plan Review approval from the Planning Board.

The keeping of small animals, such as chickens, rabbits, etc., for personal use and enjoyment shall be permitted, if:

- 1. There are no more than a total of twelve small animals of one type or combined; and
- 2. <u>The small animals are penned or otherwise restricted.</u>

The keeping of horses, ponies, and other large pets, or the raising of more than two of each species over six months old requires conformance to Section 1a and 1b of this Article.

- e. Grazing, Care, Raising, or Keeping of Livestock
  - 1. Livestock shall include all horses, cattle, goats, pigs, sheep, alpacas, llamas, poultry, ostriches, emus, and similar animals other than permitted by section c. above for small animals. No livestock shall be kept on lots smaller than two (2.0) acres. The Table below establishes minimum area requirements for various livestock species. The minimum pasture and enclosure areas shall not include any areas within 100 feet of a dwelling unit on another lot.
  - 2. <u>All livestock shall be kept within an enclosure or structure and shall not be permitted to</u> roam free. Feed lots, fenced runs, pens, and other similar intensively used facilities or any enclosure, shelter or structure for animal raising and care shall not be located within 100 feet of a neighboring property or Right-of-Way, excluding pastures.
  - 3. Livestock shall be kept such that no nuisance results. Animal waste shall not be stored within one hundred (100) feet of any property line. Livestock must be kept within a secure enclosure which meets or exceeds the recommendations of the UNH Cooperative Extension and all livestock must have shelter available that meets or exceeds the recommendations of the UNH Cooperative Extension both as reflected in the Table below.
  - 4. Pastures are areas suitable for grazing livestock which maintain grass cover throughout the grazing season. Pastures are permitted up to the property line. If a pasture is grazed down such that less than 90% of the area maintains grass cover, then the area no longer qualifies as a pasture and must meet the one hundred (100) foot setback requirement for a livestock enclosure. Livestock may be kept without any pasture areas, if suitable enclosure area is available and sufficient feed is provided.

# TABLE of MINIMUM PASTURE, ENCLOSURE, & SHELTER REQUIREMENTS for LIVESTOCK

Livestock Type	Pasture	Outside Enclosure	Shelter
Horses	1 Animal/1.5 Acres	<u>200 SF / Animal</u>	<u>Tie Stalls: 5' x 9'</u> Box Stalls: 10' x 10' or 12' x 8'
Beef or Dairy Cows	<u>1 Animal/ 1.5 Acres</u>	150 SF /Animal	<u>75 SF / Animal (3 sided)</u>
Bison & Elk	<u>1 Animal/ 1.5 Acres</u>	<u>500 SF / Animal</u>	<u>120 SF / Animal (3 sided)</u>
<u>Goats</u>	<u>4 Animals / 1 Acre</u>	<u>50 SF / Animal</u>	25 SF / Animal (4 sided)
Ostriches & Emus	<u>6 Animals / 1 Acre</u>	<u>100 SF / Animal</u>	20 SF / Animal (4 sided)
Sheep, Deer, Alpacas & Llamas	<u>4 Animals / 1 Acre</u>	<u>50 SF / Animal</u>	20 SF /Animal (3 sided)
Pigs	Not allowed to be pastured - No "Free Range" Pigs	<u>200 SF / Animal</u>	48 SF / Animal (3 sided) with exercise yard; 100 SF without exercise yard
Poultry	<u>"Free Range" Poultry</u>	NA	<u>100 SF for 24 Hen Chickens,</u> <u>Ducks or Broilers, or 16</u> <u>Turkeys</u>
Other	<u>As determined by the</u> <u>ZBA</u>	As determined by the ZBA	As determined by the ZBA

B. Amend ARTICLE III Definitions to add definitions of "Agriculture" and "Livestock" as follows:

7. Agriculture: See "Farm".

- xxx. <u>Livestock: Livestock shall include all horses, cattle, goats, pigs, sheep, llamas, poultry, ostriches, emus, and similar animals other than small animals permitted in ARTICLE II.</u>
- C. Amend ARTICLE X Institutional District, ARTICLE XI Institutional/Recreational District, and ARTICLE XII Hospital Institutional District to permit farming and agricultural uses as follows:
  - 1. Amend ARTICLE X Institutional District section A. <u>Uses Permitted</u> to add a number 4 as follows:

4. Farm and Agriculture.

- 2. Amend ARTICLE XI Institutional/Recreational District, section A. <u>Uses Permitted</u> to add a number 5 as follows:
  - 5. Farm and Agriculture.
- 3. Amend **ARTICLE XII Hospital Institutional District**, section A. <u>Uses Permitted</u> as follows:

#### A. <u>Uses Permitted</u>

Licensed medical facilities which provide outpatient care, acute care and long term care. Activities which would support the primary mission of delivering health care to the public such as, but not limited to, ambulance service, laundry services, maintenance services, food services, office space, craft and gift services for patients and other activities, including Essential Services, appropriate to maintaining a high caliber health care facility. Additional activities not enumerated as health related may be allowed as Special Exceptions provided that, in addition to the findings required by **Article XXI**, the Board of Adjustment shall determine that such Use is appropriate. Farm and Agriculture are permitted uses.

D. Amend ARTICLE XXI Board of Adjustment, section G. Special Exceptions, sub-section 4. Special Exception Uses to add kennels as a Special Exception as follows:

#### n. Kennels as a Commercial Use for the breeding, boarding, grooming and sale of cats and dogs

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The purpose of this amendment is to revise the Zoning Ordinance to permit Agriculture in all zone districts, and to revise the definition of Agriculture by including, among other things, clarifying provisions regarding the keeping of animals and Livestock.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 8:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No.* 8 proposes to amend the ordinance to better define the upper limits of buffering for the tributaries of protected wetlands specified in **ARTICLE XIII Wetlands Conservation Overlay District**.

Specifically, Amendment No 8 proposes to amend ARTICLE Amend ARTICLE XIII Wetlands Conservation Overlay District, section G. <u>Wetland Buffers</u> as follows:

G. <u>Wetland Buffers</u>:

Wetland buffers are areas that are designed to remain vegetated in an undisturbed and natural condition to protect adjacent Wetland functions and values from upland impacts and provide habitat for wildlife. Unless otherwise specified, Wetland buffers shall be retained in their natural condition. Where Wetland buffer disturbance has occurred during construction, revegetation may be required. All Wetland buffers are measured from the Wetland boundary.

The Wetlands to be protected by natural buffers are delineated on the New London Streams and Wetlands Protection Map dated March 13, 2001. This map is available for viewing in the Office of the Board of Selectmen. The Wetlands delineated on the New London Streams and Wetlands Protection Map dated March 13, 2001 are based on the National Wetlands Inventory Maps of Wetlands and the most important Wetland complexes in the community to preserve as determined by the New London Conservation Commission. This map shows the general location of Wetlands as defined by this Ordinance. The boundary of a Wetland on a specific site must be delineated by a qualified professional acceptable to the New Hampshire Wetland Board.

Many of these wetland complexes have tributaries of contiguous jurisdictional wetland that extend for great distances beyond the boundaries shown on the New London Streams and Wetlands Protection Map dated March 13, 2001, crossing roadways through bridges, culverts and other man-made structures. For the purposes of this Wetland Buffer regulation, wetlands that are found to extend beyond the limits of the features shown on the New London Streams and Wetlands Protection Map dated March 13, 2001 that are subject to the Wetland Buffer restrictions contained herein shall be considered to terminate at the first culvert or man-made crossing up gradient from the protected stream or wetland of origin shown on the New London Streams and Wetlands Protection Map

dated March 13, 2001. Wetlands that extend beyond the first culvert or man-made crossing are not protected by these Wetland Buffer restrictions, but are still subject to all other State and local wetland restrictions and permitting.

The minimum widths of the Wetland buffers are as follows:

- a) 200 feet, horizontal distance, from the boundary of all Wetlands designated as prime Wetlands by RSA 482-A: 15 and as referenced in Section B. (2);
- b) 150 feet, horizontal distance, from the boundary of all Wetlands which adjoin or are connected to a prime Wetland; and
- c) 100 feet horizontal distance from the boundary of all other significant Wetlands identified for protection on the New London Streams and Wetlands Protection Map dated March 13, 2001.

In the event of overlapping Wetland buffer areas, the greater of the two setback requirements shall apply. A reduction of the buffer distance shall require approval of a Special Exception by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The Zoning Ordinance lacks clarity on the upper limits of buffering for the tributaries of protected Wetlands specified in **ARTICLE XIII**. The purpose of this amendment is to better define the upper limits of buffering of the tributaries for these protected Wetlands.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 9:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 9* proposes to amend the Town's floodplain regulations in **ARTICLE XV** so the Town will remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and its citizens continue to be eligible to purchase flood insurance.

Specifically, Amendment No 9 amends ARTICLE XV Flood Plain Overlay District and ARTICLE III (Definitions) as outlined below:

#### A. Amend ARTICLE XV Floodplain Overlay District as follows:

#### **ARTICLE XV Floodplain Overlay District**

Certain areas of the Town of New London, New Hampshire are subject to periodic flooding, causing serious damages to properties within these areas. Relief is available in the form of flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968. Therefore, the Town of New London, New Hampshire has chosen to become a participating community in the National Flood Insurance Program, and agrees to comply with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-488, as amended) as detailed in this Floodplain Management Ordinance.

- A. <u>Floodplain Overlay District Boundaries</u> : The following regulations in this Ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as Special Flood Hazard Areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the Town of New London, New Hampshire" together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) dated February 28, 1990 which are declared to be a part of this Ordinance and are hereby incorporated by this reference.
- A. This ordinance, adopted pursuant to the authority of RSA 674:16, shall be known as the Town of New London Floodplain Overlay District. The regulations in this ordinance shall overlay and supplement the regulations in the Town of New London Zoning Ordinance, and shall be considered part of the Zoning Ordinance for purposes of administration and appeals under state law. If any provision of this ordinance differs or appears to conflict with any provision of the Zoning Ordinance or other ordinance or regulation, the provision imposing the greater restriction or more stringent standard shall be controlling.

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the Town of New London, N.H." dated February 28, 1990 or as amended, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated February 28, 1990 or as amended, which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.

- B. <u>Permit Required</u>: All proposed Development in any Flood hazard area shall require a permit.
- C. <u>Permit Applications</u>: The Board of Selectmen shall review all Building permit applications for new construction or Substantial Improvements to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from Flooding. If a proposed building site is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area, all new construction or Substantial Improvements shall:
  - 1. Be designed (or modified) and adequately anchored to prevent flotation, collapse, or lateral movement of the Structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy;
  - 2. Be constructed with materials resistant to Flood damage;
  - 3. Be constructed by methods and practices that minimize Flood damage; and
  - 4. Be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing, and air conditioning equipment, and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of Flooding.
- D. <u>Water and Sewer Systems</u>: Where new or replacement water or sewer systems (including on-site systems) are proposed in a Special Flood Hazard Area the applicant shall provide the Board of Selectmen with assurance that these systems will be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of Flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into Flood waters, and on-site waste disposal systems will be located to avoid impairment to them or contamination from them during periods of Flooding.
- E. <u>Permit Records</u>: For all new or substantially improved Structures located in an Area of Special Flood Hazard, the applicant shall furnish the following information to the Board of Selectmen:
  - 1. The as-built elevation (in relation to NGVD) of the Lowest Floor (including the Basement) and include whether or not such Structures contain a Basement;
  - 2. If the Structure has been flood proofed, the as-built elevation (in relation to NGVD) to which the Structure was floodproofed; and
  - 3. Any certification of Flood Proofing.

The Board of Selectmen shall maintain for public inspection, and shall furnish such information upon request.

- F. <u>Federal and State Permits</u> : The Board of Selectmen shall not grant a Building permit until the applicant certifies that all necessary permits have been received from those governmental agencies which approval is required by federal or state law, including Section 404 of the Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 U.S.C. 1334.
- G. <u>Watercourses</u>:
  - In riverine situations, prior to the alteration or relocation of a watercourse the applicant for such authorization shall notify the Wetlands Bureau of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and submit copies of such notification to the Zoning Administrator, in addition to the copies required by RSA 482-A: 3. Further, the applicant shall be required to submit copies of said notification to those adjacent communities as determined by the Zoning Administrator, including notice of all scheduled

hearings before the Wetlands Bureau and the New London Zoning Board of adjustment for local wetland hearings.

- 2. The applicant shall submit to the Zoning Administrator, certification provided by a registered professional engineer, assuring that the flood carrying capacity of an altered or relocated watercourse can and will be maintained.
- 3. The Zoning Administrator shall obtain, review, and reasonably utilize any floodway data available from Federal, State, or other sources as criteria for requiring that all development located in Zone A meet the following floodway requirement:

"No encroachments, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, and other development are allowed within the floodway that would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the base flood discharge."

4. Until a Regulatory Floodway is designated along watercourses, no new construction, substantial improvements, or other development (including fill) shall be permitted within Zone(s) AE on the FIRM, unless it is demonstrated by the applicant that the cumulative effect of the proposed development, when combined with all existing and anticipated development, will not increase the water surface elevation of the base flood more than one foot at any point within the community.

#### H.G. 100 Year Flood Elevation Determination:

- 1. In Special Flood Hazard Areas the Board of Selectmen shall determine the 100 year elevation in the following order of precedence according to the data available:
  - a. In zones AE, refer to the elevation data provided in the community's Flood Insurance Study and accompanying FIRM.
  - b. In <u>unnumbered Zone</u> A zones the Board of Selectmen shall obtain, review, and reasonably utilize any 100 Year Flood elevation data available from any federal, state or other source including data submitted for Development proposals submitted to the community (i.e. Subdivisions, site approvals).
- 2. The Board of Selectmen's 100 Year Flood elevation determination will be used as criteria for requiring in zones A and AE that:
  - a. all new construction or Substantial Improvement of residential Structures have the Lowest Floor elevation (including Basement) elevated to or above the 100 Year Flood elevation.
  - b. all new construction or Substantial Improvements of non-residential Structures have the Lowest Floor (including Basement) elevated to or above the 100 Year Flood level; or together with attendant utility and sanitary facilities, shall:
    - 1. Be floodproofed so that below the 100 Year Flood elevation that Structure is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water;
    - 2. Have structural components capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and the effects of buoyancy; and
    - 3. Be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect that the design and methods of construction are in accordance with accepted standards of practice for meeting the provisions of this section.
  - c. All Manufactured Homes to be placed or substantially improved within the Special Flood Hazard Areas shall be elevated on a permanent foundation such that the Lowest Floor of the

Manufactured Home is at or above the 100 Year Flood elevation; and be securely anchored to resist flotation, collapse or lateral movement. Methods of anchoring may include, but are not limited to, use of over-the-top or frame ties to ground anchors. This requirement is in addition to applicable state and local anchoring requirements for resisting wind forces;

d. Recreational Vehicles placed on sites within Zones <u>A</u> A1-30, AH, and AE shall either (I) be on the site for fewer than 180 consecutive days, (ii) be fully licensed and ready for highway use, or (iii) meet all standards of Section 60.3 (b) (1) of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations and the elevation and anchoring requirements for Manufactured Homes in Paragraph (c) (6) of Section 60.3.

Section 60.3(b) (1) states that the community shall require permits for all proposed construction and other Developments including the placement of Manufactured Homes, within Zone A of the community's FHBM or the FIRM.

Section 60.3 (c) (6) states that the community shall require that Manufactured Homes that are placed or substantially improved within Zones A1-30, AH and AE on the community's FIRM on sites (I) outside of a Manufactured Home park or Subdivision; (ii) in a new Manufactured Home park or Subdivision; (iii) in an expansion to an existing Manufactured Home park or Subdivision on which a Manufactured Home has incurred Substantial Damage as the result of a Flood, be elevated on a permanent foundation such that the Lowest Floor of the Manufactured Home is elevated to or above the Base Flood elevation and be securely anchored to an adequately anchored foundation system to resist floatation, collapse and lateral movement.

A recreational vehicle is ready for highway use if it is on its wheels or jacking system, is attached to the site only by quick disconnect type utilities and security devices, and has no permanently attached additions.

- e. For all new construction or Substantial Improvements, fully enclosed areas below the Lowest Floor that are subject to Flooding are permitted provided they meet the following requirements:
  - 1. The enclosed area is unfinished or Flood resistant, usable solely for the parking of vehicles, Building access or storage;
  - 2. The area is not a Basement;
  - 3. shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic Flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of floodwaters. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect or exceed the following minimum criteria: a minimum of two openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to Flooding shall be provided; the bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one foot above Grade; and openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, or other coverings or devices provided that they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwater.

f. proposed Structures to be located on slopes in Special Flood Hazard Areas, shall include adequate drainage paths to guide Flood waters around and away from the proposed Structures.

I. H. Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Structure located within the 50 Foot Buffer in the Shore Land Overlay District : Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Structure located within the 50 foot buffer in the Shore Land Overlay District is governed by the specifications in Article XVI Shore Land Overlay District, paragraph H., sub-paragraph 1.

#### <u>J. I.</u> <u>Variances</u> :

- 1. Any order, requirement, decision or determination of the Board of Selectmen made under this Ordinance may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as set forth in RSA 676:5.
- 2. If the applicant, upon appeal, requests a Variance as authorized by RSA 674:33, I(b), the applicant shall have the burden of showing in addition to the usual Variance standards under state law:
  - a. That the Variance will not result in increased Flood heights, additional threats to public safety or extraordinary public expense.
  - b. That if the requested Variance is for activity within a designated Regulatory Floodway, no increase in Flood levels during the Base Flood discharge will result.
  - c. That the Variance is necessary, considering the Flood hazard, to afford relief.
- 3. The Zoning Board of Adjustment shall notify the applicant in writing that:
  - a. The issuance of a Variance to construct below the Base Flood level will result in increased premium rates for Flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25 for \$100 of insurance coverage, and
  - b. Such construction below the Base Flood level increases risks to life and property. Such notification shall be maintained with a record of all Variance actions.
- 4. The Town shall:
  - a. Maintain a record of all Variance actions, including the justification for their issuance, and
  - b. Report such Variances issued in its annual or biennial report submitted to FEMA's Federal Insurance Administrator.
- B. Amend ARTICLE III Definitions to amend or add definitions as follows:
  - 23. Breakaway Wall: A wall that is not part of the structural support of the Building and is intended through its design and construction to collapse under specific lateral loading forces without causing damage to the elevated portion of the Building or supporting foundation.
  - <u>33.</u> <u>Development</u>: Any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation, or drilling operation, <u>or storage of equipment of materials.</u>
  - 52. Flood <u>Insurance Elevation</u> Study: An examination, evaluation, and determination of Flood hazards and if appropriate, corresponding Water Surface Elevations, or an examination and determination of mud slide or Flood-related erosion hazards.
  - 80. <u>Manufactured Home</u>: Any Structure, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is 8 body feet or more in width and 40 body feet or more in length, or when erected on site, is 320 square feet or more, and which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to required utilities, which include plumbing, heating and electrical heating systems contained therein. For floodplain management purposes the term "manufactured home" includes park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles placed on site for greater than 180 consecutive days. This includes manufactured homes located in a manufactured home park or subdivision. A manufactured home as defined in this section shall not include Presite Built Housing, Travel Trailers or Recreational Vehicles.

- 83. <u>Mean Sea Level</u>: The National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929, <u>North American Vertical</u> <u>Datum (NAVD) of 1988</u>, or other datum, to which Base Flood elevations shown on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Map are referenced.
- 108. <u>Regulatory Floodway</u>: The channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the Base Flood without <u>cumulatively</u> increasing the Water Surface Elevation <u>more than a designated height</u>. <del>These areas are designated as Floodways on the Flood Boundary and Floodway map.</del>
- <u>119.</u> Special Flood Hazard Area: See Area of Special Flood Hazard. Areas having Flood, mud slide, and/or Flood-related erosion hazards, and shown on a FIRM as zones A or AE.
- 124. Structure: Anything constructed, placed or erected on the ground, or attached to something already existing on the ground, with or without a durable foundation, whether temporary or permanent. Among other things, "Structure" includes Buildings, Manufactured Homes, Pre-Site-Built Housing and Accessory Buildings. "Structure" also includes walls, decks or platforms, concrete pads or slabs, temporary carports, sheds, greenhouses, and anything built or constructed outside for Accessory Uses, including Dish Antennas or satellite earth stations that are over three (3) feet in diameter. The following are excluded from the definition of "Structure": equipment providing necessary utilities servicing Buildings, lawn furniture, portable barbeque grills, free standing hot tubs (not including the deck, pad or slab on which it is placed), heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment, fences, stone walls, animal shelters under 15 square feet, children's swing sets, dumpsters, temporary portable toilets, flagpoles, sandboxes, playhouses and other playground equipment, Signs and Sign installation devices (see Article II, Section 10), tents used for camping or temporary functions and gatherings. For Floodplain management purposes only, "Structure" means a walled and roofed Building, including a gas or liquid storage tank <u>principally above ground</u>, as well as a Manufactured Home.
- 136. <u>Water Surface Elevation</u>: The Height, in relation to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929, North American Vertical Datum (NAVD) of 1988, (or other datum, where specified), of Floods of various magnitudes and frequencies in the Floodplains.
- xxx. <u>Highest Adjacent Grade: The highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to</u> the proposed walls of a structure.
- xxx. <u>Manufactured Home Park or Subdivision: A parcel (or contiguous parcels) of and divided into two or</u> more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.
- xxx. <u>New Construction: For the purposes of determining insurance rates, structures for which the Start of</u> <u>Construction commenced on or after the effective date of an initial FIRM or after December 31, 1974,</u> whichever is later, and includes any subsequent improvements to such structures. For floodplain <u>management purposes, New Construction means structures for which the Start of Construction</u> <u>commenced on or after the effective date of a floodplain management regulation adopted by a community</u> and includes any subsequent improvements to such structures.
- xxx. Violation: The failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community's flood plain management regulations. A structure or other development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required under Section E, Section H(2)(b), or Section G(3)(4) of this ordinance is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided.

**<u>RATIONALE</u>**: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has identified numerous "house-keeping" type amendments needed for the town's floodplain regulations to remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program. The town needs to make these changes so citizens continue to be eligible to purchase flood insurance.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 10:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 10* proposes to amend the Town's sign regulations in **ARTICLE II** to allow flexibility in the size, number and location of signs for Colby-Sawyer College and the New London Hospital, subject to approval by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process.

Specifically, Amendment No 10 amends ARTICLE II General Provisions, section 10. <u>Sign Regulations</u> regarding signs for institutional uses as follows:

A. Amend section c. SIGN PERMIT PROCESS to add a new sub-section (4) as follows:

Signs in the Institutional District, Institutional/Recreational District, and Hospital Institutional District shall be approved by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review Process.

- B. Amend section f. SIGNS REQUIRING A PERMIT, sub-section (1) Permanent Signs Requiring a Permit as follows:
  - (1) Permanent Signs Requiring a Permit
    - (a) Signs for commercial, institutional, or Home Business Uses as long as the Sign complies with the underlying size and number regulations for that Zone District as stated in section (g) below.
- C. Amend section g. SIZE AND NUMBER OF PERMANENT SIGNS PERMITTED BY ZONE DISTRICT, subsection (3) Institutional District, Institutional/Recreational District and Hospital Institutional District as follows:
  - 3. Institutional District, Institutional/Recreational District and Hospital Institutional District: Because of the size and unique needs of the institutional uses, the size, number and location of all permanent signage shall be subject to approval by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process. However, the maximum size of any one sign shall not exceed 15 square feet for any institutional use. Temporary event signage for these Zone Districts shall comply with section d. (12) above.

Institutional Uses shall be permitted 2 advertising Signs and no more than 1 of the 2 permitted Signs shall be a free standing Sign. The maximum size of any 1 Sign shall be 15 square feet with a maximum of 30 square feet permitted by the 2 Signs for any institutional Use.

**RATIONALE:** The purpose of this amendment is to address the unique sign needs of Colby-Sawyer College and the New London Hospital and to amend the Town's sign regulations to allow flexibility in the size, number and location of signs for these uses as approved by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process.

#### PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 11:

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 11* proposes to amend the Town's Shore Land Overlay District in **ARTICLE XVI** primarily to conform to the stricter provisions of the State's recently amended Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act.

Specifically, Amendment No 11 amends ARTICLE XVI Shore Land Overlay District as follows:

#### **ARTICLE XVI Shore Land Overlay District**

A. <u>Authority and Purpose</u>: All lakes are essentially fragile. In order to protect the lakes, actual Use of lake side Lots is being limited through the establishment of a Shore Land Overlay District.

Most of the land immediately adjacent to New Hampshire's lakes, ponds and rivers is overlaid by soil types characterized by above average erosion and drainage hazards. These lands require conservation and land management practices which minimize environmental and aesthetic degradation.

The Town of New London hereby adopts this Shore Land Overlay District and accompanying regulations in order to:

- 1. Protect, maintain and enhance the water quality of the lakes;
- 2. Conserve and protect aquatic and terrestrial habitat associated with lake areas;
- 3. Preserve and enhance those recreational and aesthetic values associated with the natural shore land and lake environment;
- 4. Encourage those Uses that can be appropriately located adjacent to shorelines; and
- 5. Protect and promote public health, resource conservation, and the general welfare.

This Ordinance is authorized by RSA 674:21 (j), Innovative Land Use Controls, Environmental Characteristics Zoning.

- B. <u>Shore Land Overlay District Boundaries</u> : The Shore Land Overlay District extends to a line 300 feet inland from <u>the Reference Line</u> Normal High Water on all of the following lakes and ponds: Clark Pond, Goose Hole Pond, Little Lake Sunapee, Lake Sunapee, Messer Pond, Murray Pond, Otter Pond and Pleasant Lake.
- C. <u>Permitted Uses</u>: The following Uses are permitted provided that they shall be conducted according to applicable provisions:
  - 1. Docks and Boathouses constructed entirely over a body of water are permitted subject to required state permits and standards.
  - 2. Single Family Residence and accessory Structures and Uses provided that all Buildings and Structures shall be set back a minimum of 50 feet from the <u>Reference Line Normal High Water level</u> and constructed in accordance with the erosion control requirements of Section F. No construction or land disturbance whatsoever will be permitted within the <u>Waterfront Buffer vegetative buffer 50 feet from Normal High Water</u>, except as provided in Section C.4., D.2. and <u>G. F.2. e</u>. below. Unless special construction practices ensure that no land disturbance will occur in the <u>Waterfront Buffer 50 foot vegetative buffer</u> as a result construction activities, all Structures must be set back a minimum of 10 feet from the <u>Waterfront Buffer 50 foot vegetative buffer</u> to accommodate land disturbance resulting from such activities.
  - 3. Sub-surface sewage disposal facilities provided that they shall be set back in accordance with state requirements.
  - 4. <u>A permanent pathway, stairway or walkway</u> Stairways and walkways with a maximum width of <u>6</u> 4-feet are permitted within the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> first 50 feet from Normal High Water provided <u>it is configured</u> in a manner that will not concentrate stormwater runoff or contribute to erosion and is constructed with adequate soil erosion control measures are implemented as outlined in Section F <u>below</u>.
  - 5. Replenishment of existing Beaches as provided in D.2. below.
  - 6. <u>Retaining walls within the Waterfront Buffer, as permitted in Section G. 2. d. (5) below.</u>

#### D. <u>General Provisions</u> :

- 1. The traveled portion of a road shall be set back <u>beyond the Waterfront Buffer a minimum of 50 feet from</u> Normal High Water except for bridges and bridge approaches and access ways for fire fighting equipment and boat launching. All new roads shall be constructed in accordance with an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan approved by the Planning Board as part of the final Subdivision application and approval.
- 2. Construction of a new Beach or expansion of an existing Beach is not permitted. Replenishment of an existing Beach is permitted only under the following conditions:
  - a. No more than 6 cubic yards of replenishment material is permitted to be added in any 6 year period; and
  - b. Approval is obtained from the NH Department of Environmental Services for a Minimum Impact Expedited Wetlands Permit Application after review and comment by the New London Conservation Commission.
- 3. Lots within the Shore Land Overlay District shall not be used as common areas for Waterfront Access or for the purpose of granting deeded rights or access to residents of multiple units and/or non-waterfront properties, regardless of the location of such properties, except as provided herein and subject to Planning Board approval. For the purpose of this section, the term "common area" shall mean an area used by a group of 3 or more unrelated persons or by an association, club or organization consisting of 3 or more members.
- 4. Rights to gain access to a water body by or through a shore land Lot shall not be created or attached to any real estate. Waterfront Access shall be gained only in accordance with the standards set forth below and subject to Planning Board approval.
- 5. As an additional means to implement the purposes of this Article as articulated in Paragraph A., this section authorizes the Planning Board to adopt regulations which require environmentally sound measures governing the Development of a tract of land, including, but not limited to, cutting restrictions, the proper design, layout and location of Building Envelopes, the appropriate siting of Structures and improvements, and erosion control procedures for new Lots located in the Shore Land Overlay District through the Subdivision process.
- E. <u>Specific Provisions for Residential Development with Waterfront Access</u> : All residential Development with Shore Frontage or rights of access to Shore Frontage shall meet the following minimum requirements:
  - 1. Each Dwelling Unit with direct water access and whose Shore Frontage is part of the Lot dimension shall have a minimum Shore Frontage of 200 feet.
  - 2. Lots within the Shore Land Overlay District used as common waterfront areas or for the purpose of Waterfront Access shall meet the following minimum criteria:
    - a. The shore front common area shall contain a minimum of 2 acres.
    - b. The shore front common area shall have a minimum of 200 feet of Shore Frontage for the first Dwelling Unit or member having a right of Use, and an additional 50 feet of Shore Frontage for each additional Dwelling Unit or member.
    - c. No Building shall be permitted other than toilet and changing facilities.
    - d. No more than 25 percent of the total Shore Frontage may be dedicated to docks or other Structures designed to accommodate boating. All docks require a permit from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Wetlands Board. Applications for dock permits shall be reviewed by the Conservation Commission. In making its recommendations

to the <u>NHDES</u> Wetlands Board and the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission shall consider the size and depth of the water area, the total Shore Frontage proposed for the common area, boat traffic already existing in the area, impact on neighboring property owners, protection of water quality, wildlife habitat, and public safety.

- e. One off-street parking space (300 square feet) shall be provided for each Dwelling Unit situated more than 1/4 mile from the shore front common area. Parking areas shall be set back a minimum of 75 feet from the Reference Line Normal High Water. A buffer of natural vegetation shall be maintained between the beach and/or docking area and the parking area to screen the parking area from the lake and to enhance erosion control. The buffer may include facilities permitted within the shore front area.
- f. Toilet facilities, approved by the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Division of the Department of Environmental Services, shall be provided.
- 3. Any Use of a common area or area of access for business or commercial purposes shall <u>not be permitted</u>. be subject to the provisions of Special Exception.

#### F. <u>Stormwater & Erosion Control for Construction</u>:

#### **Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan:**

1. All new Structures, modifications to existing Structures, and excavation or earth moving within the Shore Land Overlay District shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the Stormwater & Erosion Control Design Standards contained in the New London Land Subdivision Control Regulations, dated October 23, 2007, as amended, and in compliance with all rules adopted by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services under RSA 541-A for terrain alteration under RSA 485-A:17 to manage Stormwater, control erosion and sediment, during and after construction. The design of Stormwater management systems shall ensure that the post-development total runoff volume does not exceed the pre-development total runoff volume.

Erosion and sedimentation control plans shall be required for all construction, filling, grading, dredging, and other activities requiring land disturbance within the first 50 feet of the Normal High Water level within the Shore Land Overlay District.

2. <u>New structures and all modifications to existing structures within the protected Shore Land Overlay</u> District shall be designed and constructed to prevent the release of surface runoff across exposed mineral surfaces.

Erosion and <u>sedimentation</u> control plans shall be required for construction, filling, grading, dredging, and other activities disturbing an area of more than 2,500 square feet which is located beyond the first 50 feet from Normal High Water within the Shore Land Overlay District.

3. <u>Erosion</u> and sedimentation control plans shall describe the nature and purpose of the land disturbing activity; the amount of grading involved; and a description of the soils, topography, vegetation, and drainage at the site; and a complete site plan illustrating erosion control devices, stormwater management structures and other measures intended to manage stormwater and erosion during and after construction. For minor land disturbances such as utility line or stairway and pathway construction, the Board of Selectmen may reduce the amount of detail needed in an erosion control plan. The Board of Selectmen shall review and decide to approve or deny all plans before issuing a Building permit, and may require the applicant to post a bond or other security to assure conformance with approved plans. The security shall not be released until the Board of Selectmen has certified completion of the required improvements in accordance with the plan. The Board of Selectmen may shall-request the Conservation Commission to review the plan and make recommendations.

- 4. Erosion and sedimentation control plans shall be developed in conformity with guidelines of the U.S.D.A. Soil Conservation Service and with guidelines of the N.H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Division of the Department of Environmental Services under <u>RSA</u> 485-A:17. Erosion control measures shall be installed and inspected by the Board of Selectmen or its designee, as described in <u>ARTICLE XXV</u> <u>Enforcement of this Ordinance</u>, before construction and grading <u>begin</u>.
  - e. The Board of Selectmen shall review and decide to approve or deny all plans before issuing a Building permit. The Board of Selectmen shall request the Conservation Commission to review the plan and make recommendations.
  - f. The Board of Selectmen may require the applicant to post a bond or other security to assure conformance with approved plans. The security shall not be released until the Board of Selectmen has certified completion of the required improvements in accordance with the plan.
  - g. Erosion control measures shall be installed before construction and grading.
- 2. Cutting and Removal of Natural Vegetation: The preservation of natural vegetation on the shore land is important for the protection of the water quality of the lakes and ponds, the preservation of the aesthetic quality of the shore land and the control of erosion.
  - A cutting or clearing plan shall be approved by the Planning Board for any cutting of Trees or removal of natural vegetation within 50 feet of Normal High Water except as provided in Section F. 2. b. below. The Planning Board shall request the Conservation Commission to review the plan and make recommendations.
  - b. No construction or land disturbance whatsoever will be permitted within the vegetative buffer 50 feet from Normal High Water, except as provided in Sections C.4. and D.2. above and F.2. e. below. Unless special construction practices ensure that no land disturbance will occur in the 50 foot vegetative buffer as a result construction activities, all Structures must be set back a minimum of 10 feet from the 50 foot vegetative buffer to accommodate land disturbance resulting from such activities. Any existing vegetative buffer 50 feet in depth from Normal High Water shall be maintained except that:
    - -1) Trees less than 4 inches in caliper measured 5 feet above ground may be cut; and
    - -2) normal-trimming, pruning, and thinning to minimize the entry of vegetative debris into lakes and ponds or to prevent the overgrowth of natural beaches is permitted.
  - -c. Dead or diseased Trees are an important part of the forest ecosystem providing a valuable source of food. Dead or diseased Trees which pose a safety hazard to Structures or to landowners using outdoor spaces such as patios, deeks or walkways may be removed if a cutting plan is approved by the Planning Board as per Section F. 2. a. above.
  - -d. Stumps and their root systems which are located within 50 feet of the Normal High-Water of the shore land shall be left intact in the ground.
  - e. Existing grass lawns and open areas with either bare ground or weed cover within 50 feet of Normal High Water are encouraged to be converted and replanted with a natural vegetative cover consisting of indigenous species of Ground Cover, Shrubs and Trees. When necessary due to steep topography, retaining walls may be permitted to be installed as part of an overall plan to revegetate the buffer area. New terraces formed by the retaining walls within 50 feet of Normal High Water must be replanted with natural vegetation consisting of indigenous species of bushes, Shrubs and Trees. These terraces may not be used to create new grass lawns or to create more impervious surfaces such as stone patios and decks. Construction of retaining walls within 50 feet of Normal High Water which would require the removal of existing natural vegetative cover is not permitted unless it can be demonstrated through an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan that such retaining wall construction is essential for erosion control purposes. Construction of new lawns within 50 feet of Normal High Water is not permitted.

#### G. <u>Non-conforming-Lots</u>

It is recognized that there exist certain nonconforming, undeveloped Lots of record within the protected Shore Land Overlay District which may be difficult or impossible to develop based on the standards outlined in Section C. above. A landowner of a nonconforming Lot of Record who is unable to comply with the standards outlined in Section C. above, may apply to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a Special Exception for relief from those standards. The applicant must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Zoning Board of Adjustment that:

- -1. The plan for Development of the nonconforming Lot complies with the standards outlined in Section C. to the maximum extent feasible; and
- -2.--- The plan for Development of the nonconforming Lot complies with the dimensional controls for setbacks and Building Height of the underlying Zone District.

#### G. Waterfront Buffer

- 1. The Waterfront Buffer shall the protected Shore Land within 50 feet of the Reference Line. The purpose of this buffer shall be to protect the quality of public waters while allowing the property owner discretion with regard to water access, safety, viewscape maintenance, and lot design.
- 2. Within the Waterfront Buffer all of the following prohibitions and limitations shall apply:
  - a. <u>No chemicals, including pesticides of any kind or fertilizers, except limestone, shall be applied.</u>
  - b. Rocks and stumps and their root systems shall be left intact in the ground.

No natural ground cover shall be removed except as necessary to accomplish uses permitted in Section C above or to plant native trees, saplings or shrubs. Pruning of shrubs and ground cover down to a height of 3 feet is permitted.

- c. <u>Starting from the northerly or easterly boundary of the property, and working along the shoreline,</u> the Waterfront Buffer shall be divided into 50 by 50 foot segments. Within each segment a minimum combined tree and sapling score of at least 50 points shall be maintained. If for any reason there is insufficient area for a full segment, the number of points required to be maintained in that partial segment shall be proportioned to that required for a full segment.
  - 1. <u>Tree and sapling diameters shall be measured at 4 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> feet above ground and are scored as follows:</u>

Diameter Score

- <u>1 inch to 6 inches 1 point</u>
- Greater than 6 inches to 12 inches 5 points
- Greater than 12 inches 10 points
- 2. <u>Dead, diseased, or unsafe trees or saplings (as determined by the Planning Board) shall not be included in scoring.</u>
- 3. If the total tree and sapling score in any 50 by 50 foot segment exceeds 50 points, then the Planning Board may authorize the removal of trees, saplings and shrubs as long as the score for the remaining trees, saplings and shrubs in that segment does not total less than 50 points. The remaining scores in partial segments shall be treated similarly.

- 4. <u>The Planning Board may authorize the removal of trees and saplings on a segment of a property having less than the required minimum score of 50 points, as long as trees, saplings and shrubs are replanted in sufficient quantity to equal or exceed the score that existed prior to the removal activity. The Planning Board shall not approve a cutting request that results in less than the required minimum score of 50 points or less than the score that existed prior to the request being filed.</u>
- 5. Owners of Lots that were legally developed prior to the adoption of this regulation may maintain but not enlarge cleared areas, including but not limited to existing lawns and beaches, within the Waterfront Buffer. Conversion or planting of cleared areas with native trees, saplings, shrubs and ground cover is encouraged but shall not be required unless it is necessary to meet the requirements of Section I. below. When necessary due to steep topography, retaining walls may be permitted to be installed as part of an overall plan to revegetate the Waterfront Buffer area. New terraces formed by the retaining walls within the Waterfront Buffer must be replanted with natural vegetation consisting of indigenous species of bushes, shrubs and trees. These terraces may not be used to create new grass lawns or to create more impervious surfaces such as stone patios and decks. Construction of retaining walls within the Waterfront Buffer which would require the removal of existing natural vegetative cover is not permitted unless it can be demonstrated through an erosion and sediment control plan that such retaining wall construction is essential for erosion control purposes. Construction of new lawns within Waterfront Buffer is not permitted.
- 6. <u>Normal trimming, pruning, and thinning of branches to the extent necessary to protect</u> <u>structures, maintain clearances and provide views is permitted. Trimming, pruning, and</u> <u>thinning of branches for the purpose of providing views shall be limited to the bottom <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of</u> <u>the trees and saplings.</u>
- 7. When necessary for the completion of uses permitted in accordance with Section C. 1, 4, 5. & 6. above, and this section, a temporary 12 foot wide access path may be permitted, subject to approval by the Planning Board. The access path shall be completely restored and replanted with native species of trees, saplings, shrubs and ground cover upon completion of construction. In addition trenching less than 2 feet in depth for the installation of utilities servicing docks and boathouses permitted under Section C. above, may be permitted, subject to Planning Board approval and compliance with Section F above.
- H. Natural Woodland Buffer
  - 1. A Natural Woodland Buffer shall be maintained within 150 feet of the Reference Line. The first 50 feet of this buffer is designated the Waterfront Buffer and is subject to the additional requirements of Section G. above. The purpose of the Natural Woodland Buffer shall be to protect the quality of public waters by minimizing erosion, preventing siltation and turbidity, stabilizing soils, preventing excess nutrient and chemical pollution, maintaining natural water temperatures, maintain a healthy tree canopy and understory, preserving fish and wildlife habitat, and respecting the overall natural condition of the Shoreland Overlay District.
  - 2. Within the Natural Woodland Buffer of a lot in the Shore Land Overlay District at least 50% of the area outside of impervious surfaces shall be maintained in an undisturbed state. Owners of lots legally developed prior to the adoption of this provision of the Ordinance that do not comply with this standard are encouraged to, but shall not be required to, increase the percentage of area maintained in an undisturbed state. If the primary structure on a lot is replaced, it shall then be made to comply with all of the provisions of this regulation. The percentage of area maintained in an undisturbed state on nonconforming lots shall not be decreased.
  - 3. Dead, diseased, or unsafe trees, saplings, or shrubs located beyond the Waterfront Buffer that pose an imminent hazard to structures or have the potential to cause personal injury may be removed by the property owner without Planning Board approval, provided such removal does not contravene the intent

of this provision. Preservation of dead and living trees that provide den and nesting habitat for wildlife are encouraged.

- I. Impervious Surfaces
  - 1. No more than 20 percent of the area of a lot located within the Shore Land Overlay District shall be composed of Impervious Surfaces, except as provided in paragraphs 2. and 3. below.
  - 2. The Impervious Surface area shall not exceed 25 percent provided that in the Waterfront Buffer no trees, saplings or shrubs shall be removed, and such restriction is recorded in the chain of title for the property. In addition, if the natural tree, sapling and shrub cover in the Waterfront Buffer does not meet the 50 point minimum score in any segment described in Section G. above, then such segment shall be planted, as determined by the Planning Board, with native trees, saplings, shrubs or ground cover in sufficient quantity, type and location either to meet the minimum score or to provide at least a minimum level of protection as offered by the minimum score.
  - 3. The Impervious Surface area shall not exceed 30 percent provided the conditions of paragraph 2. above are satisfied and a storm water management system designed to ensure that post-development total runoff volume shall not exceed the pre-development total runoff volume, and approved by the Planning Board, shall be implemented and maintained.
  - 4. Property owners and developers are encouraged to seek creative solutions that utilize Low Impact Development techniques, such as those described in the New London Land Subdivision Control Regulations, dated October 23, 2007, as amended.
- J. H. <u>Nonconforming Buildings & Structures</u>: Any Nonconforming Building or Structure located entirely or partly within the <u>Waterfront Buffer first 50 feet inland from the Normal High Water level</u> of all lakes and ponds over 10 acres in size may be continued indefinitely, Altered and/or expanded provided it complies with the following applicable provisions:
  - 1. If the Nonconforming Building or Structure is located entirely within the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> first 50 feet inland from the Normal High Water level, then alteration or repair of the Building or Structure is governed by the following:
    - a. Alteration or repair of the Building or Structure is only permitted within the existing footprint and outside dimensions, consistent with the provisions of Article XX, Section B, 3, provided the result is a functionally equivalent use. No footprint change or vertical expansion of the existing structure shall be allowed. Any expansion that increases the sewerage load to an on-site septic system, or changes or expands the use of a septic system, shall require approval by the NH Department of Environmental Services.
    - b. Existing decks and porches located entirely within the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> first 50 feet inland from the Normal-High Water level may not be covered, enclosed or expanded upward or outward beyond the footprint of the existing deck or porch.
    - c. Any Substantial Improvement of an existing Nonconforming Structure located within the boundaries of the 100 Year Floodplain must comply with the requirements of Article XV Floodplain Overlay District.
    - d. Improvements may include a new foundation, provided that all of the following conditions are met:
      - 1. The new foundation shall be constructed from a vantagepoint entirely outside <u>the</u> <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> the 50' vegetative buffer, or from within the structure itself, in a manner that does not disturb any part of the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> vegetative buffer beyond the footprint of the existing building.

- 2. No living space or basement area is added as a result of the new foundation.
- 3. No change in the footprint (drip line) of the structure (within the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> 50<sup>2</sup> vegetative buffer) will result from the new foundation.
- 2. If the Nonconforming Building or Structure straddles the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> 50 foot setback from the Normal High Water level, then alteration or expansion of the Building or Structure is governed by the following:
  - a. Alteration or expansion of that portion of the Building or Structure located within the Waterfront <u>Buffer first 50 feet inland from the Normal High Water level</u> is governed by the provisions outlined in section <u>K. H.</u>1. above.
  - b. Alteration or expansion of that portion of the Building or Structure located beyond the <u>Waterfront</u> <u>Buffer first 50 feet inland from the Normal High Water level is governed by the following:</u>
    - 1. Alteration or expansion is permitted upward and outward to the side or rear of the Structure away from the lake.
    - 2. Existing, covered porches located beyond the <u>Waterfront Buffer first 50 feet inland from</u> the Normal High Water level may be enclosed and converted to habitable space and may be expanded upward beyond the footprint of the existing porch.
    - 3. Existing decks located beyond the <u>Waterfront Buffer</u> first 50 feet inland from the Normal High Water level-may be expanded, covered, enclosed and/or converted to habitable space.
- 3. These provisions supersede the provisions outlined in Article XX Legal Nonconforming Uses, Nonconforming Buildings and Non-conforming Lots, Paragraph B. Nonconforming Buildings, Section 1. Alterations and Expansions. The provisions of Article XX Legal Nonconforming Uses, Nonconforming Buildings and Structures and Non-conforming Lots, Paragraph B. Nonconforming Buildings and Structures, Sub-paragraph 3. pertaining to Substantial Improvement, restoration, reconstruction and/or replacement apply to Article XVI Shore Land Overlay District.
- K. I. Building Height : Nonconforming Structures located within the <u>Waterfront Buffer first 50 feet inland from the</u> Normal High Water level in the Shore Land Overlay District shall not exceed 25 feet in Height above Grade.
- L. J. Overlapping Regulations : In all cases where the Shore Land Overlay District is superimposed over another Zone District in the Town of New London, that district whose regulations are more restrictive shall apply. Furthermore, where any provision of this district differs from those of other ordinances or regulations of the Town or State, then that provision or ruling which imposes the greater restriction or higher standard shall govern.

**RATIONALE:** The purpose of this amendment is to amend the Town's Shore Land Overlay District primarily to conform to the stricter provisions of the State's recently amended Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act. Major changes include incorporating the new State provisions on waterfront buffers and impervious surface coverage restrictions for shoreland lots.

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: NEW LONDON

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

or Fiscal Year From \_\_\_\_\_to\_\_\_\_to\_\_\_\_

### **IMPORTANT:**

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Da	te): <u> </u>	1141	08
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#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Please sign in ink.

### THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

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

MS-7

#### BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS- 7) Estimated 2007 Revenue/Actual 2007 Receipts Estimated Revenue January 1, 2008-December 31, 2008

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ESTIMATED REVENUES	RECEIVED 12-31-07	SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED	BUDGET COMM. PROPOSED
TAXES				
Land Use Change Tax (CU)	118,280.00	111,780.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Yield Tax	4,000.00	4,238.40	4,000.00	4,000.00
Interest & Penalties	31,661.00	33,878.62	33,500.00	33,500.00
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
Business Licenses	26,170.00	33,322.15	42,050.00	42,050.00
Motor Vehicles Fees	774,800.00	777,344.51	774,800.00	774,800.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	52,039.00	50,813.64	51,960.00	51,960.00
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
Federal Emergency Management Grant	0.00	84,014.15	0.00	0.00
Police/Highway Grant	0.00	3,993.24	0.00	0.00
Sidewalk & Intersection Grant	560,000.00	41,216.45	0.00	0.00
FROM STATE				
Shared Revenue Block Grant	30,524.00	57,685.00	30,524.00	30,524.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	184,111.00	184,111.03	185,000.00	185,000.00
Highway Block Grant	111,998.00	111,997.64	116,582.00	116,582.00
Other State Grants & Reimb.	576.00	576.24	0.00	0.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Income from Departments	141,980.00	162,958.37	172,230.00	172,230.00
Other Charges	600.00	577.50	600.00	600.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
Sale of Municipal Property	8,100.00	17,006.91	9,300.00	9,300.00
Interest on Investments	45,450.00	75,981.40	65,900.00	65,900.00
Other	246,894.00	249,577.38	249,910.00	249,910.00
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
Enterprise Funds	962,755.00	958,086.58	857,688.00	857,688.00
Capital Reserve Fund	458,400.00	270,889.31	765,096.00	765,096.00
Trust & Agency Funds	28,250.00	28,246.25	25,000.00	25,000.00
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Fund Balance To Reduce Taxes	335,000.00	335,000.00	0.00	0.00
Voted From Fund Balance			3,000.00	3,000.00
Proceeds from Bond	497,000.00	715,107.05	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	4,618,588	4,308,402	3,412,140	3,412,140

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RSA 31:4	WARRANT	2007	EXPENDED	SELECTMEN'S	SELECTMEN'S	BUDG. COMM.	BUDG. COMM.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	ARTICLE	APPROP.	12/31/2007	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
Executive	ŝ	297,541	294,750.13	329,274		329.274	
Election, Registration & Vital	3	70,220	69,834.71	84,683		84.683	
Financial Administration	3	242,335	248,400.57	279,442		279,442	
Revaluation of Property	<b>3</b>	78,500	70,340.32	82,500		82,500	
Legal Expense	3 3 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	40,300	41,267.53	40,300	•	40.300	
Employee Benefits	m	174,226	178,891.26	171,898		171.898	
Planning & Zoning Boards	ŝ	62,025	52,292.89	64,608		64.608	
General Government Buildings	en.	176,280	162,349.17	183,237		183.237	
Cemeteries	. 3	38,581	36,969.05	49,023		49.023	
Insurance	3	72,000	73,420.99	88,000		88,000	
Advertising (Tourism) & Reg. Assoc.	б	15,171	15,140.86	. 16,306		16,306	
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Police Department	4 & 23	810,527	781,628.05	842,451		842 451	
Fire Department	4	243,184	191,695.45	262,075		262.075	
Firewards	4	594	478.35	594		594	
Emergency Management	4	13,381	6,409.72	7,531		7,531	
Police Dispatch	4	312,163	277,850.45	321,126		321,126	
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			•				
Highway Administration	5	675,698	714,582.87	776,731		776,731	
Highway & Streets	2	520,700	501,479.64	503,200		503,200	
Street Lighting	<b>3</b>	26,000	18,238.37	14,000		14,000	
SANITATION							
Transfer Station	5	401,439	370,901.39	385,039		385,039	
Solid Waste Cleanup	5	26,400	27,005.92	. 27,150		27,150	
Sewage Collection & Disposal	S			,			
HEALTH							
Health Administration	6	20,507	7,482.57	8,287		8,287	
Health Agencies	6	118,585	118,585.00	112,215		112,215	
WELFARE							
Welfare-Administration	6	812	809.38	1,811		1,811	
Intergovernmental Welfare	. 9	3,809	3,809.00	3,809		3,809	
Welfare-Vendor Payments	6	6,000	6,707.28	8,000		8,000	

BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7) Appropriation/Expenditures January 1, 2007-December 2007 Proposed Budget January 1, 2008-December 31, 2008

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RSA 31:4	WARRANT ARTICLE	2007 APPROP.	EXPENDED 12/31/2007	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED	SELECTMEN'S NOT RECOMMENDED	BUDG, COMM. RECOMMENDED	BUDG, COMM. NOT RECOMMENDED
CULTURE AND RECREATION	٢	144 100	CC U2C 2C1	020 241		050 571	
Terry Memorial Tibrery		170 ADD	20.000,001	141,215		141,719	
Patriotic Purposes		300	300.00	000°		300	
Other Culture		1 000	612.68	1 000		1 000	
CONSEDVATION						2	
CONSERVATION							
Conservation-Administration	7	12,964	10,794.74	11,664		11,664	
Energy Committee	7			3,841		3,841	
Other Conservation	7	10,000	2,800.00	5,000		5,000	
DEBT SERVICE							
Bonded Debt Principal	~	108,897	83,897.00	163,597		163,597	
Bonded Debt Interest	80	73,530	68,805.01	95,533		95,533	
CAPITAL OUTLAY							
Capital Outlay-Land	22			,	275,000		275,000
Capital Outlay-Vehicles, Mach., Equip.	11, 15	258,900	250,488.03	92,800		92,800	
Capital Outlay - Buildings	12	71,000	34,056.42	140,000		140,000	
Capital Outlay-Improvements	13,14,16,18,20	1,213,000	749,286.48	261,500		261,500	
TRANSFERS OUT				000 535		000 835	
I ransfers to Capital Keserves	9,17,19,21	638,500	638,500.00	754,000		754,000	
Sewer Collection & Disposal	5,8,9,11	962,755	824,614.08	857,688		857,688	
TOTAL		S 8,371,422.00 S	7,501,235.68 \$	7,659,522.00	\$ 275,000.00	s 7,659,522.00 \$	275,000.00
			10% LIM	10% LIMITATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS	PRIATIONS		
		TOTAL RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE	BY BUDGET COMMITT		\$ 7,659,522		
		LESS EXCLUSIONS: Principal-Long Term Debt			(198,597)		
		Interest-Long 1 erm 1000			(1++,cul) &		
		TOTAL EXCLUSIONS			\$ (302,038)		

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7)** 

7,357,484

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AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS EXCLUSION

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE

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UNEXPENDED BALANCE	2,790.87	385.29		8,159.68		77 CCL 0	9,/32.11	. 2,850.83	GR.110'1	00.4.4	30.14 20.000.05	ZQ, Q90.95	01,400.00 445.65	00.01 I	07.1 /B	34,312.35	10,000,00	19,220.36	261.63	30,537.61		13,024.43		2.62			7,837.68			387.32	2,169.26	6,500.00	25,000.00	4,724.99	7,411.97	35,738.46			138,140.92		\$432 305 10	01-000-10	\$182,606.01
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EXPENDED Dec. 31, 2007	294,750.13	69,834.71	248,400.57	10,340.32	41,25/03	7/8,891.26	DZ, ZUZ, 202	102,349.17	30,909.00	13,420.99	10, 140.00	20.020,101	191,090,191	410.00 610072	0,403.12 277 050 15	C47000'1/Z	14,582.87	501,479.64 40,000,02	18,238.37	3/0,901.39	27,005.92	7,482.57	118,585.00	809.38	3,809.00	6,707.28	136,360.32	429,400.00	300.00	612.68	10,794.74	2,800.00	83,897.00	68,805.01	250,488.03	34,056.42	749,286.48	638,500.00	824,614.08		\$7 501 235 68	00.007 I 00 1 4	
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE	297,541.00	70,220.00	242,335.00	18,200.00	40,300.00	1/4,225.00 20.005.00		1/0,200.00	30,301.UU	/2,000.00	01/1/1/00 040 507 00	00.120,010	Z43, 104.UU	024.00	10,001.00	312, 103.UU	5/0/00 200 200 200	00.007,056	26,000.00	401,439.00	26,400.00	20,507.00	118,585.00	812.00	3,809.00	6,000.00	144,198.00	429,400.00	300.00	1,000.00	12,964.00	10,000.00	108,897.00	73,530.00	258,900.00	71,000.00	1,213,000.00	638,500.00	962,755.00	83,472.84	\$8 454 894 84	+0.100,101,00	
APPROPRIATIONS	297,541.00	70,220.00	242,335.00	18,500.00	40,500.00	1/4,220.00 83 035 00	92, 123, 10	28 581 00	00'00'0C	12,000.00	13, 17 1.00 840 527 00	010,027,000	243, 104.00 604.00	13 281 00	342 462 00	012,100.00	0/02000 500 700 00	00.001,026	26,000.00	401,439.00	26,400.00	20,507.00	118,585.00	812.00	3,809.00	6,000.00	144,198.00	429,400.00	300.00	1,000.00	12,964.00	10,000.00	108,897.00	73,530.00	258,900.00	71,000.00	1,213,000.00	638,500.00	962,755.00		\$8 371 422 00	00:774.1 10:00	
ACCOUNT NAME	Executive	Election & Registration	Financial Administration	revaluation of Property	regai caperise	Employee benelits		Comparise	Cellieles	Insurance Decisional Accorditions	negioriai Associatioris Doline Deportment	Folice Department	Fire Ucparurent	Emergency Management	Entergency management Dolice Dispatch		Lichingia & Strate		Street Lighting		Solid Vvaste Cleanup	Health Department	Health Agencies	Welfare - Administration	Intergovernmental Welfare	Welfare - Vendor Payments	Parks & Recreation	Tracy Memorial Library	Patriotic Purposes	Other Culture - Archives	Conservation - Admin.	Other Conservation - Trees	Bonded Debt	Bonded Debt - Interest	Capital Outlay: Vehicles, Mach.	Capital Outlay: Buildings	Capital Outlay: Improvements	Transfers to Capital Reserves	Sewage Collection & Disp.	2006 Encumbered Forward	TOTAI		NET UNEXPENDED

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2007 (UNAUDITED) Note: 2007 expended includes landfill repair bond that was appropriated in 2006. Encumbered funds are for the roundabout sidewalk project. Overdraft reflects the landfill repair appropriated in 2006 but completed in 2007.

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### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2007 (UNAUDITED)

TITLE OF REVENUE	2007 Estimate	2007 Revenues
Land Use Change Taxes	118,280.00	111,780.00
Yield Taxes	4,000.00	4,238.40
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	31,661.00	33,878.62
Business Licenses	26,170.00	33,322.15
Motor Vehicle Fees	774,800.00	777,344.51
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	52,039.00	50,813.64
FEMA Grant	0.00	84,014.15
Sidewalk Grant	560,000.00	41,216.45
Highway Safety Grant	0.00	3,993.24
Shared Revenue Block Grant	30,524.00	57,685.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	184,111.00	184,111.03
Highway Block Grant	111,998.00	111,997.64
Hazardous Waste Day	576.00	576.24
State Aid Water Pollution Control	14,980.00	14,980.00
Income from Departments	141,980.00	162,958.37
Income from Sewer Department	947,775.00	943,106.58
Other Charges	600.00	577.50
Sale of Municipal Property	8,100.00	17,006.91
Interest on Investments	45,450.00	75,981.40
Rent of Town Property	51,744.00	51,643.96
Fines & Forfeits	7,800.00	9,768.58
Insurance Reimbursements	69,800.00	65,256.60
Contributions & Refunds	17,000.00	18,277.79
Revenue - Other Misc Sources	100,550.00	104,630.45
Transfers - Common Fund Earned Interest	15,000.00	15,000.00
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	458,400.00	270,889.31
Transfers - Trust & Agency Funds	13,250.00	13,246.25
Bond and Note Transfers	497,000.00	715,107.05
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	335,000.00	335,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,618,588.00	\$ 4,308,401.82

#### SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2007 (UNAUDITED)

#### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT** \$294,750.13 Executive 69,834.71 Election, Registration & Vitals 248,400.57 Financial Administration 70,340.32 Revaluation of Property 41,267.53 Legal Expenses 178,891.26 Personnel Administration 52,292.89 Planning and Zoning General Governmental Buildings 162,349.17 36,969.05 Cemeteries Insurance 73,420.99 15,140.86 **Regional Associations PUBLIC SAFETY** 781.628.05 Police Department Fire Department 191,695.45 478.35 Firewards **Emergency Management** 6,409.72 277,850.45 Dispatch **HIGHWAYS AND STREETS** Highway Administration 714,582.87 Highways and Streets 501,479.64 Street Lighting 18,238.37 SANITATION 370,901.39 **Transfer Station** 27,005.92 Solid Waste Cleanup HEALTH 7,482.57 Health Department 118,585.00 Health Agencies WELFARE Welfare - Administration 809.38 Intergovernmental Welfare 3,809.00 Welfare-Vendor Payments 6,707.28 **CULTURE AND RECREATION** 136,360.32 Parks and Recreation 429,400.00 Tracy Memorial Library Patriotic Purposes 300.00 Other Culture - Archives 612.68

#### SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2007 (UNAUDITED)

CONSERVATION	
Conservation - Administration	10,794.74
Care of Trees	2,800.00
	2,000.00
DEBT SERVICE	
Principal on Long Term Debt	83,897.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	68,805.01
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CAPITAL OUTLAY	
Vehicles, Mach., Equipment	250,488.03
Buildings (Maint. Projects)	34,056.42
Improvements	749,286.48
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds	638,500.00
Transfers to Cupital Reserve Fanas	
TOTAL PAYMENTS - 2007 WARRANT*	\$6,676,621.60
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OTHER PAYMENTS	7 499 010 00
Kearsarge Regional School Dist. Merrimack County Taxes	7,488,919.00 2,657,660.00
Water Precinct Taxes	
Taxes Bought by Town	321,365.00 93,855.19
Tax Abatements and Refunds	
Tax Deferrals	64,808.52 7,475.05
Tax Deternais Tax Deternais	5,891.06
State of New Hampshire	15,278.00
Trustee of the Trust Fund	13,800.00
Refunds and Overpayments	54,686.72
Library Appropriation Adjustment	(41,050.00)
NL Sewer (Job Seamans/Birch Acres)	12,079.74
NL Sewer (Edmunds Road)	15,403.57
NL Sewer (User & Loan Fees)	800,157.53
Return Landfill Bond Proceeds	13,892.95
Salaries - Library	242,523.25
Salaries - Sewer	15,175.91
Salaries - Day Camp Counselors	15,070.29
Police ICAC Reimbursement	800.28
Sewer Expenses (reimbursed by Sewer)	161,764.78
Payroll Deductions	13,551.17
2006 Encumbered	83,530.63
2006 Accounts Payable	26,536.64
TOTAL OTHER PAYMENTS	12,083,175.28
2007 SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID	\$18,759,796.88
*Total Payments - 2007 Warrant	\$6,676,621.60
2006 Accounts Payable	26,536.64
2006 Encumbered	83,530.63
Expended Dec. 31, 2007	\$6,786,688.87
Expended Dec. 51, 2007	50,700,000.07

#### SUMMARY OF GROSS RECEIPTS Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2007 (UNAUDITED)

BY TAXATION:	
Prior Year Property Tax	389,954.52
Land Use Change Tax	5,250.00
Interest	24,932.79
Over Payments	341.92
Yield Tax	139.43
Tax Sales Redeemed	52,907.42
	10.005 5(4.5)
2007 Property Tax	13,897,764.51
Interest	8,875.88
Over Payments	34,000.06
Yield Tax	3,817.27 111,780.00
Land Use Change Tax	111,780.00
FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	
State Revenue Sharing Block Grant	57,685.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	184,111.03
Highway Block Grant	111,997.64
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	
FEMA Grant	84,014.15
Sidewalk & Intersection Grant	41,216.45
Highway Safety Grant	3,993.24
Hazardous Waste Day	576.24
FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES	
Business Licenses	33,322.15
Motor Vehicle Fees	779,241.01
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	50,813.64
Income from Departments	161,095.21
Other Charges	577.50
Sales of Municipal Property	17,031.91
Interest on Investments	75,981.40
Rents of Property	51,643.96
Fines & Forfeits	9,768.58
Insurance Reimbursements	72,542.73
Contributions & Refunds	65,370.83
Revenue-Other Misc. Sources	63,610.45
Common Fund Earned Interest	15,000.00
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	277,717.31
Transfers - Trust & Agency Fund	13,246.25
Cemetery Lot Sales	13,800.00
Bond Proceeds	729,000.00
Payments Due State	15,278.00
Payments Due NL Sewer Fund	61,269.03
Refunds from Library (Payroll)	242,523.25
Refunds from Sewer (Payroll)	15,175.91
Refunds from Recreation Revolving (Payroll)	15,070.29
Refunds from Sewer Expenses 2006 Accounts Receivable	161,764.78
	42,211.27
Sewer User Charges	766,284.81

**TOTAL RECEIPTS** 

\$ 18,762,697.82

### **SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND ACTIVITY** (UNAUDITED)

Opening Sewer Fund January 2007			399,135.37
Sewer Fund Revenue User Fees User Fee Interest Connection Fees Betterment Bond Payments Insurance Claim Refund Miscellaneous Income Transfer of Construction Bond Funds Interest Income Total Sewer Fund Revenue	766,284.81 2,501.91 10,160.00 44,757.50 12,300.30 11,278.95 85,000.00 11,885.95	944,169.42	577,155,57
Sewer Fund Expense Building Expenses Collection & Disposal Expenses Debt Service Principal Debt Service Interest Capital Outlay Transfer To Capital Reserve Fund Transfer Construction Funds GMPS Expenses from Ioan	50,526.49 629,862.71 35,000.00 12,386.26 2,153.00 96,000.00 85,000.00 33,313.72	944,242.18	
Closing Sewer Fund Balance December 31, 20	)07		399,062.51

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### **STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT\***

	Sewer Con July 9, 1 (15-yea Original Amount \$345,000	993	Facilities Bo Edmunds Rd July 22, 1 (20-yea Original Amount \$1,250,000	<b>. Sewer</b> 999	Highway C & Fire St June 20 (20-yea Original Amount \$877,940	ation	Landfill Rej Sewer Pump Sta Upgrad June 200 (10-yea Original Amount \$525,000	tion le )6	Library Rep NL Inn L Purcha May 20 (10-yea Original Amount \$497,000	and se 07
2008 2009	20,000	5.60	60,000 60,000	5.00 5.25	43,897 43,897	3.72 3.72	52,500 52,500	3.80 3.80	49,700 49,700	3.99 3.99
2010			65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2011			65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2012			65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2013			65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2014			70,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2015			75,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	45,608	3.80	49,700	3.99
2016			75,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	27,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2017	,		80,000	5.25	43,897	3.72			49,700	3.99
2018			85,000	5.25	43,897	3.72				
2019			80,000	5.25	43,897	3.72				
2020					43,897	3.72				
2021					43,897	3.72				
2022					43,897	3.72				
2023					43,897	3.72				
2024					43,897	3.72				
Remainder	\$ 20,000		\$ 845,000		\$ 746,249		\$ 440,608		\$ 497,000	

### LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS\*

#### Comparative Balance Sheet December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006

#### Amount to be provided for Retirement of Long Term Debt

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Due from General Fund		
• Town's Share	\$ 2,151,357.00	\$1,795,146.00
Due from Sewer Commission	\$ 382,520.00	\$444,394.00
• Due from N.H. Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission	\$ 14,980.00	\$15,606.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,548,857.00	\$2,255,146.00
Long Term Debt Outstanding		
Sewer Construction Bond - 1993	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
Facilities & Edmunds Rd Sewer Bond - 1999	\$845,000.00	\$900,000.00
Highway Garage & Fire Station Bond - 2005	\$746,249.00	\$790,146.00
Landfill Repair & Sewer Pump Station Upgrade-2006	\$440,608.00	\$525,000.00
Library Repairs & New London Inn Land Purchase-2007	\$497,000.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,548,857.00	\$2,255,146.00

\*These statements do not include debt of the Kearsarge Regional School District.

### **2007 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION**

### Form MS-1 (as of April 1, 2007)

	2007 Acreage	2007 Assessed Valuation	2006 Assessed Valuation
Current Use Land	6,698	751,400	819,200
Conservation Restriction Assessment (at Current Use Value)	34	3,100	3,100
Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved)	5130	398,938,790	399,947,090
Commercial Land	343	23,913,610	23,861,510
Total Taxable Land	12,205	423,611,900	424,630,900
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	1,139	\$22,415,700	\$ 22,665,800
Residential Buildings		564,627,120	551,636,820
Manufactured Housing (defined by RSA 674:31)		0	0
Commercial Buildings		74,103,580	58,438,880
Total Taxable Buildings		638,730,700	610,075,700
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$42,515,300	\$ 45,794,400
Public Utilities		4,413,800	4,413,800
Valuation before exemptions:		1,066,756,400	\$1,039,124,000
Exemptions:			
Elderly Exemptions per RSA 72:39-a & b		(775,000)	(950,000)
Blind Exemptions per RSA 72:37		(60,000)	(45,000)
Exemption for Disabled Veterans per RSA 72:36-a		(231,600)	(231,600)
Solar Exemptions per RSA 72:62		(58,563)	(58,563)
School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions per RSA 72:23 IV		(650,000)	(650,000)
Total exemptions:		(\$1,775,163)	\$ (1,935,163)
NET VALUATION FOR TAX RATE	-	\$1,064,981,237	\$1,037,185,237
Valuation without utilities, used for State Education Taxes		\$1,060,567,437	\$1,032,771,437

### **TAX RATE HISTORY**

	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Townwide Valuation	1,064,981,237	1,037,185,237	1,032,847,474	882,668,642	877,882,126	686,112,001	513,590,439
Town Tax Rate	3.80	3.94	3.33	3.51	3.33	3.97	4.09
County Tax Rate	2.43	2.27	2.19	2.24	2.08	1.77	2.47
Local Education Tax Rate	4.75	4.14	3.71	5.47	4.51	5.24	6.78
State Education Tax Rate	2.49	2.54	2.56	3.39	3.03	4.49	6.71
Tax Rate	13.47	12.89	11.79	14.61	12.95	15.47	20.05
Water Precinct Tax Rate	0.85	0.85	0.85	1.33	1.22	1.69	0.88
Tax Rate in Water Precinct	14.32	13.74	12.64	15.94	14.17	17.16	20.93

Town Tax Calculation		Tax Rate per \$1000 of
		assessed value
Town Appropriations per 2007 Town Meeting (see Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures in these gray pages)	8,371,422	
Less Revenues (see Comparative Statement of Revenues)	(4,283,588)	
Less Surplus to Offset Tax Rate (see Comparative Statement of Revenues)	(335,000)	
Less Shared Revenues	(16,832)	
Plus Overlay (per RSA 76:6: "to answer any abatements that may be made")	99,470	
Plus War Service Credits (approved by 2005 Town Meeting)	212,000	
Total to be raised by taxes	\$ 4,047,472	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation	1,064,981,237	3.00
Town Rate per \$1000		3.80
Local School Tax Calculation		
KRSD Amount to Apportion (total budget)	26,149,538	
KRSD Amount to be raised by local property taxes	16,886,993	
KRSD Apportionment due from New London	7,639,769	
Less State Adequate Education Grant	(2,580,245)	
Total to be raised by taxes	\$ 5,059,524	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation	1,064,981,237	
Local School Rate per \$1000		4.75
State Education Taxes Calculation		
Equalized Valuation (not including utilities)	1,151,895,014	
Multiplied by Statewide Property Tax Rate	x 2.24	
Total to be raised by taxes	\$2,580,245	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (not including utilities)	1,060,567,437	
State Education Tax Rate per \$1000		2.43
Merrimack County Tax Calculation Merrimack County Budget (2007 Fiscal Year)	\$64,210,637	
Due to Merrimack County from New London	2,657,660	
Less Shared Revenues	(10,329)	
Total to be raised by taxes	\$2,647,331	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation	1,064,981,237	
County Tax Rate per \$1000	1,001,901,207	2.49
Total Tax Rate per \$1000		13.47
New London-Springfield Water Precinct Tax Calculation		
Amount to be raised per 2007 Annual Meeting	\$320,176	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (within NLSWP)	378,076,782	
New London-Springfield Water Precinct Tax Rate per \$1000		0.85
Total Tax Rate for property within NLSWP		14.32
Total Property Taxes to be Collected	\$14,123,761	
Plus New London-Springfield Water Precinct commitment	\$320,176	
TOTAL RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES IN 2007	\$14,443,937	

## **SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**

		Map/Lot	Acreage	Value
<b>MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS &amp; LAND</b>				
Whipple Memorial Town Hall &	429 Main Street	085-002	0.68	\$934,000
Harold W. Buker Jr. Municipal Building	25 Seamans Road			-
Old Colby Academy Building & Inn Common	375 Main Street	084-090	1.29	\$785,700
Tracy Memorial Library	304 Main Street	084-054	1.00	\$1,385,000
Ausbon Sargent Common & Bandstand	401 Main Street	085-001	3.80	\$605,400
Little Common, Main Street	328 Main Street	084-009	1.00	\$245,500
Fire Station Land & Buildings	237 Main Street	084-066	0.94	\$864,000
Public Works Land & Buildings	186 South Pleasant Street	095-052	4.13	\$795,900
Transfer Station/Recycling & Disposal	1213 Newport Road	056-008	4.80	\$535,600
Brush & Metal Disposal Center	74 Old Dump Road	033-023	6.41	\$77,300
Main Pump Station (Frothingham Road)	64 Frothingham Road	095-015	11.36	\$715,000
Georges Mills Pump Station	5 Holmes Lane, Sunapee		0.37	\$89,700
Town Line Metering Station	Route 11			
BEACHES				
Bucklin Beach, Land & Buildings	4 Camp Sunapee Road	033-009	2.58	\$396,100
Elkins Beach, Land & Buildings & Post Office	349 Elkins Road	077-012	1.50	\$676,400
CEMETERIES				
CENTETERIES Cemetery Well, Elkins Road	Elkins Road	087-007	0.03	\$4,100
Elkins Cemetery	Elkins Road	088-002	6.00	\$242,200
Cemetery Land	Bog Road	095-039	3.70	\$63,600
Old Main Street Cemetery	Old Main Street	107-019	4.20	\$63,000 \$67,400
*				
West Part Cemetery	County Road	117-019	1.70	\$53,600



Pleasant Lake Dam will undergo repairs in 2008 (see Warrant Article #16).

CONSERVATION LAND				
Colby Sanctuary	Great Brook	012-001	33.00	\$71,000
Phillips Memorial Preserve	Goosehole Road	029-001	79.60	\$355,300
Goosehole Prime Wetland	Goosehole Road	029-004	0.62	\$22,100
Former Cook Property	Whitney Brook Road	052-008	69.00	\$4,800
Philbrick-Cricenti Bog	Newport Road	058-024	36.16	\$184,700
Land	Route 103A	069-002	9.00	\$69,100
Clark Lookout	Davis Hill Road	068-011	4.47	\$11,200
Lyon Brook Property	Pleasant Street	083-009	14.70	\$83,100
Land on Lyon Brook	South Pleasant Street	095-053	4.01	\$140,600
Former Cleveland Property	Pleasant Street	074-048	0.60	\$46,400
Esther Currier WMA at Low Plain	Route 11/Mountain Road	088-007	177.68	\$336,500
	Laurel Lane	089-012	30.97	\$179,000
Herrick Cove Brook Impoundment Area	Columbus Avenue	091-032	4.5	\$54,500
Messer Pond Conservation Area	County Road	093-013	46.95	\$370000
Backland off Squires Lane/sewer lagoons	Frothingham Road	096-040	37.00	\$77,700
Landfill Closure	Mountain Road	101-003	30.8	\$183,100
Shepard Spring – Shepard Pit	Mountain Road	112-006	53.30	\$261,900
Clark Pond Conservation Area	Bog Road	119-002	43.3	\$109,000
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MISCELLANOUS LAND				
Otterville Road Right of Way	Otterville Road	042-021	0.31	\$5,100
Island, Pleasant Lake	Pleasant Lake Island	050-020	0.50	\$13,700
Parkside Road Land	Parkside Road	072-004	0.10	\$3,700
Pleasant Lake Access	Elkins Road	077-014	0.35	\$166,200
Pleasant Lake Dam, Land & Buildings	Elkins Road	077-016	1.00	\$455,700
Tanner Pond	Elkins Road	077-030	0.42	\$40,100
Scytheville Park Dam	Elkins Road	078-028	0.05	\$6,600
Scytheville Park Ext.	Elkins Road	078-029	0.96	\$12,600
Scytheville Park	Elkins Road	078-030	0.09	\$3,600
Scythe Shop Pond	Elkins Road	078-031	0.95	\$10,000
Landfill Closure	Mountain Road	101-007	2.30	\$5,800
Landfill	Mountain Road	101-008	14.07	\$106,000
Messer Pond Island	Messer Pond Island	105-001	0.05	\$3,300
Land	Soo Nipi Park Road	126-002	.07	\$3,400
Former Gould lot	Landlocked off King Hill	132-011	2.40	\$1,100
TOTAL TOWN PROPERTY			754.77	\$ 11,933,400

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**

## For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2007

ISSUE OF DOG LICENSES:	
728 Dog Licenses	2,616.50
Payments due State on Dog Licenses	350.00
Payments due State on Pet Overpopulation Fund	1084.00
PAYMENTS TO TREASURER	4,050.50
AUTO REGISTRATIONS:	
Auto Permits Issued	763,470.51
Title Fees	1,874.00
Municipal Agent Fees	13,639.50
PAYMENTS TO TREASURER	778,984.01
BOAT REGISTRATIONS:	
Boat Permits Issued & Agent Fees	3,201.61
Payments due State on Boat Registrations (Prior to	4,911.00
conversion to MAAP system)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
PAYMENTS TO TREASURER	8,112.61
ALL OTHER FEES:	4.0.00
Articles of Agreement	10.00
Dog Fines	100.00
Civil Forfeiture Fees	50.00
Footpath Maps	590.50
Wetlands Applications	355.00
Town Histories	380.00
Uniform Commercial Code Filings	1,800.00
Filing Fees	171.00
Passport Fees	8,760.00
Checklists	75.00
Miscellaneous Fees	101.00
Non-Sufficient Funds Charge	150.00
Town Vital Statistics	4,329.50
Town Marriage Licenses	217.00
Payments to State on Certified Copies & Marriage Licenses	8,933.00
PAYMENTS TO TREASURER	26,022.00

#### **TOTAL PAID TO TREASURER**

\$817,169.12

Respectfully submitted, Línda M. Hardy Town Clerk

## **TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

## Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007 Summary of Tax Accounts

	LEVIE	SOF
	2007	2006
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Tax		\$390,608.95
Land Use Change Tax		5,250.00
Yield Taxes		0
Sewer Rent		38,820.37
Sewer Betterment		2,055.00
Taxes Committed to Collector During Fiscal Year:		
Property Tax	\$14,447,604.62	
Land Use Change Tax	118,280.00	
Yield Taxes	4,098.97	139.43
Sewer Rent	851,269.22	
Sewer Betterment	26,610.00	
Overpayments: Sewer Rents	5.00	
Rounding	(.38)	4.00
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	9,906.40	17,583.09
Costs Before Lien		1,143.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$15,457,773.83	\$455,603.84
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Tax	\$13,897,929.11	\$315,342.51
Land Use Change Tax	111,780.00	5,250.00
Yield Taxes	3,817.27	139.43
Sewer Rent	759,343.65	27,848.52
Sewer Betterment	25,250.00	495.00
Interest on Taxes	9,906.40	17,583.09
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		87,121.43
Costs/Penalties Other Charges		1,143.00
Other Charges		
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Tax	44,368.47	680.86
Land Use Change Tax	6,500.00	
Yield Tax		
Sewer Rent	18,485.10	
Sewer Betterment		
Current Levy Deeded	7.09	
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year		
Property Tax	505,299.57	
Land Use Change Tax	••••	
Yield Tax	281.70	
Sewer Rent	73,445.47	
Sewer Betterment	1,360.00	
TOTAL OPENITS	018 488 880 00	0455 (00 04
TOTAL CREDITS	\$15,457,773.83	\$455,603.84

## **SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS**

## Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007

		Levies of	
- Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year	2006	<b>2005</b> \$28,676.69	<b>2004</b> \$11,365.77
Tax Liens Executed to Town During Fiscal Year	\$93,855.19		
Interest & Costs After Lien Execution	1,939.79	837.39	3,206.83
TOTAL DEBITS	\$95,794.98	\$29,514.08	\$14,572.60
Remittance to Treasurer – During Fiscal Year - Redemptions	\$37,027.64	\$ 4,446.28	\$ 7,396.44
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	1,939.79	837.39	3,206.83
Liens Abated	12.78	13.22	0
Liens Deeded to Municipality	50.94	50.03	3,969.33
Unredeemed Taxes-End of Fiscal Year	56,763.83	24,167.16	0
TOTAL CREDITS	\$95,794.98	\$29,514.08	\$14,572.60

## **SUMMARY OF SEWER RENTS**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007

#### LEVY OF 2006 - FIRST & SECOND BILLINGS

Balance due Uncollected Rents Sewer Rents Collected & Remitted to Treasurer Abatements on Sewer Rents Interest Collected & Remitted to Treasurer Fees & Costs	\$38,820.37 38,820.37 0 1,564.09 107.25	
LEVY OF 2007		
<b>RENTS COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:</b>		
Sewer Warrant	\$851,269.22	
Overpayments	5.00	
Interest Collected	937.82	
TOTAL DEBITS		\$852,212.04
REMITTANCES TO TREASURER:		
Sewer Rents Collected	\$759,343.65	
Abatements	18,485.10	
Interest Collected	937.82	
Uncollected Rents	73,445.47	
TOTAL CREDITS		\$852,212.04

Cash on Hand January 1, 2007		\$ 14,160.22	
Income:	\$298.250.00		
Town Appropriation Trust Funds	\$388,350.00 19,466.78		
Fines	5,647.75		
Lost/Damaged Materials	2,066.91		
Gifts and Memorials	22,626.35		
Non-Resident Fees	6,233.00		
Copier	1,136.10		
Interest	4,570.09	•	
Insurance Claim	2,767.54		
Total Income		\$452,864.52	
Expenditures:			
Personnel	\$324,208.05		
Books and Related Materials	40,485.92		
Supplies	8,105.07		
Equipment	10,697.71		
Public Relations	1,121.53		
Maintenance	37,784.66		
Travel and Dues	1,912.02		
Audit	1,623.60		
Special Projects	4665.20		
Building Project	25,598.91		
Total Expenditures		<u>(\$456,202.67)</u>	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007 Balance of Other Funds January 1, 2007			\$10,822.07
Friends	\$ 9,062.45		
Garden Account	4,878.49		
Garden Operating	6,768.14		
Gift Funds CD's	188,204.44		
Total		\$208,913.52	
Income of Other Funds			
Friends	\$ 23,939.68		
Garden Account Garden Operating	4,011.75 14,261.88		
Gift Funds CD's			
Total		59,853.30	
Expenditures of Other Funds			
Friends	\$19,567.84		
Garden Account	4,000.00		
Garden Operating Gift Funds CD's	7,727.67 <u>57,951.16</u>		
Total		(89,246.67)	
Balance of Other Funds, Decemb	er 31, 2007		
Friends	\$13,434.29		
Garden Account	4,890.24		
Garden Operating Gift Funds CD's	13,302.35		
Total	<u>147,893.27</u>		<u>\$179,520.15</u>
			<u>9177,540.15</u>

Respectfully submitted, Shelby Blunt Tracy Memorial Library Treasurer

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

During 2007, the Town's positive cash flow position enabled the Town to invest excess cash in short-term bank certificates of deposit and the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool (NHDIP), which yielded better than expected interest income. The short-term certificates of deposits are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and with balances in excess of \$100,000, invested in deposits that are collateralized by first liens on U.S. Treasury and Agency investments.

Due to the "sub-prime" lending crisis, funds invested with the NHDIP were reduced, even though the pool provides safe and reasonable returns. The Town's "flight to safety" was predicated upon uncertainty regarding the NHDIP's potential exposure to collateral secured by sub-prime loans. We are analyzing the pool's investment portfolio in order to ascertain the viability to once again place funds with the NHDIP. At year-end, the Town's balances on deposit with the NHDIP were less than \$5,000. As we look into 2008, the upward-sloping interest rate yield curve should offer the Town attractive rates for funding opportunities, in the event borrowings are needed. At the same time, rates on short-term investments will be less than the recent past, which will reduce the Town's interest income.

As always, Carolyn Fraley, the Town's Finance Officer, skillfully manages the Town's expenditures and is invaluable in maintaining the Town's financial records. Also, the entire staff at the Town Offices, under Jessie Levine's leadership, is to be commended. New London is very fortunate to have such an able and dedicated staff.

Respectfully submitted, Stephen R. Theroux Treasurer

## **TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS**

The Trustees of the Trust Funds meet on a quarterly basis and correspond as necessary during the year to monitor the town's capital reserve, library and cemetery funds. Following the lead of Town Treasurer Steve Theroux, most of the capital reserve funds were transferred out of the NH Public Deposit Investment Pool and re-invested in money market funds. This move was made because of the concern reported by several financial news outlets that the manager of the PDIP may have purchased investments that may be adversely impacted by the current credit market crisis.

The Trustees place a great deal of emphasis on capital preservation and adhere to the trust fund investment policy guidelines of the State of NH. Asset allocation is determined by the time horizon of cash needs for each fund. All capital reserve funds are invested in short term government bonds or money market funds. The library and cemetery funds have longer time horizons and therefore have investments in government bonds up to maturities of ten years and a small portion invested in equity securities, primarily in the form of diversified index funds.

During the year 2007, just under \$20,000 in income was distributed to the Tracy Library and close to \$17,000 was disbursed for cemetery needs.

The Trustees would like to thank Ted Brown for his years of service as Trustee.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Hager William Horn Patricia Sheehan

#### TREASURER'S REPORT NEW LONDON TOWN ACCOUNTS (UNAUDITED)

General Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$3,788,927.92	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	<u>\$18,762,697.82</u> \$18,759,796.88	\$22,551,625.74
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$3,791,828.86	\$22,551,625.74
Conservation Commission Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$8,756.99 \$71.94	
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$0.00	\$8,828.93
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	<u>\$8,828.93</u> .	\$8,828.93
Conservation Commission Esther Currier Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$1,006.79 \$2.51	
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$0.00 \$1,009.30	\$1,009.30
Conservation Commission Low Plains Account	91,007.50	\$1,009.30
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$3,622.98 \$9.03	¢2 (22 01
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$0.00 \$3,632.01	\$3,632.01
Tree Releaf Escrow Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1-Dec.31, 2007	\$184.15 \$0.00	\$3,632.01
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1-Dec.31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$184.15 \$0.00	\$184.15
Snow Construction Escrow Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$1,310.87 \$3.26	\$184.15
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$0.00 \$1,314.13	\$1,314.13
Snow Construction Everett Escrow Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$1,000.60	\$1,314.13
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$1.87 \$1,002.47	\$1,002.47
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$0.00	\$1,002.47
New London Recreation Revolving Fund Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$29,536.08 \$66,218.34	
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$68,591.39 \$27,163.03	\$95,754.42
		\$95,754.42

#### TREASURER'S REPORT NEW LONDON TOWN ACCOUNTS (UNAUDITED)

New London Recycling Revolving Fund		
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$5,000.00 \$50,091.34	
Allounts Received January 1 - Dec. 51, 2007	\$30,091.34	\$55,091.34
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$50,591.34	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$4,500.00	\$55,091.34
New London Transfer Station Equipment Maintenance Fund		
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$0.00 , \$5,011.02	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	, \$5,011.02	\$5,011.02
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$5,011.02	\$5,011.02
Ephemera Purchases/Archives Committee		40,011.04
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$3,007.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$2.97	\$3,009.97
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$0.00	42,223.57
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$3,009.97	¢2 000 07
Disease Prevention & Control		\$3,009.97
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$5,011.67	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$4.95	\$5,016.62
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$0.00	\$5,010.02
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$5,016.62	
Town Clock		\$5,016.62
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$542.24	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$2,003.54	<b>00 545 70</b>
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$429.00	\$2,545.78
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$2,116.78	
Jonathan Feins Escrow Account		\$2,545.78
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$1,768.62	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$3,683.04	<b>A- - - - - - - - - -</b>
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$5,451.66	\$5,451.66
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$0.00	
		\$5,451.66
Carlton F Barton Escrow Account Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$0.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$1,001.48	
Amounte Baid Out Ion 1 Dec 21, 2007	\$0.00	\$1,001.48
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$1,001.48	
		\$1,001.48
Andrews Family Scholarship Fund Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$25,052.38	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$1,051.43	
Amounta Batt Out Ing 1, Day 21, 2007	\$26 102 01	\$26,103.81
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$26,103.81 \$0.00	
		\$26,103.81

#### TREASURER'S REPORT NEW LONDON TOWN ACCOUNTS (UNAUDITED)

Paige Fischer Scholarship Fund Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$2,084.55	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$2.99	00.005.64
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$2,087.54	\$2,087.54
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$0.00	
		\$2,087.54
Sumner Woodward Escrow Fund		
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$0.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$6,001.55	<b>A</b> C 001 55
A	\$0.00	\$6,001.55
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$6,001.55	
Cash on Hand December 51, 2007	40,001.00	\$6,001.55
Sewer Operating Account		+ - , - • - • - •
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$151,663.18	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$837,241.67	
		\$988,904.85
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$612,242.18	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$376,662.67	¢099.004.95
Sewer Replacement/Rehabilitation Accounts		\$988,904.85
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$247,472.19	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$106,927.65	
*		\$354,399.84
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$332,000.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$22,399.84	
		\$354,399.84
Sewer Edmunds Road Account	\$20,220,22	
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007 Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$20,230.22 \$22,129.81	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 51, 2007	<u></u>	\$42,360.03
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$22,537.50	÷ -,- • • • • • •
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$19,822.53	
		\$42,360.03
Job Seamans/Birch Acres Operating Accounts		
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$9,941.25	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$20,585.22	\$20 526 47
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$22,384.90	\$30,526.47
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$8,141.57	
,		\$30,526.47
Sewer Loan/Upgrade Account		
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$31,491.59	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$201,868.32	
Amounts Daid Out Ion 1 Dec 21 2007	Ø125 141 1C	\$233,359.91
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007 Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$135,141.16 \$98,218.75	
	\$70,210.75	\$233,359.91
Sewer Weston & Sampson Escrow		4.200,007.71
Cash on Hand January 1, 2007	\$2,800.92	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$120.30	
		\$2,921.22
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2007	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2007	\$2,921.22	¢2.021.02
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Stephen R. Theroux, Treasurer

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2002	Bandstand Restricted Total Bandstand Restricted	34000 Washington Trust Bk CD 4.3% 6/3/09 34000 Discover Bk CD 4.4% 6/1/10 AG Edwards Money Fund	34,000.00 34,000.00 34,446.29 102,446.29				34,000.00 34,000.00 34,446.29 102,446.29	4,667,11	1,462.00 1,496.00 1,920.11 4,878.11		9,545.22 9,545.22	33,176.52 33,049,02 34,446.29 100,671.83	498.10 479.74 977.84	33,674,62 33,528.76 34,446.29 101,649,67	33674.62 33528.76 43991.51 111194.89
2003	Library Garden Maint.	NHPDIP#183-0039	•	4,000.00		4,000.00		79.98	39.45		119.43				119.43
2003	Kearsarge Rsd Bldg Kearsarge Rsd Bldg Total	NHPDIP#183-0040 AG Edwards Money Fund	81,934.72 81,934.72	81,934.72 81,934.72		81934.72 81,934.72	81,934.72 81,934.72	5,856.52 5,856.52	4236.94 17.3 4,254.24		10,110,76 10,110.76	81,934.72 81,934.72		81,934.72 81,934.72	92,045,48 92,045,48
2003	Kearsarge Red Roof Kearsarge Rsd Roof Total	NH-PDIP#183-0041 AG Edwards Money Fund	504,174.98 504,174.98	504,174.98 504,174.98	,	504174.98 504.174.98	504,174,98 504,174,98 #REF!	34,164.52 34,164.52	25980.71 112.25 26.092.96		80,257.48 60,257.48	504,174.98 504,174.98		504,174.98 504,174.98	564,432,46 564,432,46
2003	Computer Software	NHPDIP#183-0042	3,363.00				3,363.00	583.01	200.98		783.99	3,363.00		3,363.00	4,148.99
2003	Kearsarrge Special Education Kearsarge Special Education Total	NHPDIP#183-0044 AG Edwards Money Market Fund	325,000.00 325,000.00	325,000.00 325,000.00	1	325,000.00 325,000.00	325,000.00	17,253.39	16,517.34 70.57 16,587.91		33,641.30 33,841.30	325,000.00 325,000.00		325,000.00	358,841.30 358,841.30
2003	Hall Basement Improvement Hall Basement Improvement-Total	AG Edwards Money Market Fund US Treas. Note 3.125% due 9/15/2008 NH PDIP 183-0008	25,964.67 14,972.85 41,712.00 82,649.52	64,318.25 25,000,00 89,318.25	,	525.00 66,712.00 67,237.00	89,757,92 14,972,85 104,730,77	2,501.63 1,243.13 3,744.76	1,495,44 468.76 2,487.59 4,451.79	· .	8,196.55 8,196.55	25,964,87 14,583.00 41,712.00 82,259,67	392.40 392.40	89,757.92 14,975.40 104,733.32	97,954.47 14,975.40 112,929.87
2003	Rebuild Main St. Fund Rehvield Main St. Fund.Tates	AG Edwards Money Market Fund FHLB3.074 RG FFm0168 AA2707 RG FFm0168 AA2707 RG FFm0168 AA2707 RG FFm0168 AA2707 RG FFm0168 AA28 AA29 Unted Community Bash, 4.58, 1207709 Ford Home Ln Mdg 3.258, 314.08	667.60 9.955.00 10.000.00 9.996.90 10.000.00	164.50 10,000.00 9,835.50 20,000.00	45.00	10,000.00	832.10 10,000.00 9,996.90 10,000.00 10,000.00 10,000.00 835.50	1,092.59 614.75	112.66 153.50 500.00 312.50 540.33 123.68		2.294.93 1,155.08	687.60 9.935 40 9.922.60 9.722.00 10,000.00	72.60 261.60 (91.00) 136.40	832.10 9.995.20 9.983.60 10,000.00 9.909.00 9.971.90	3,127.03 9,995.20 9,983.60 11,155.08 9,909.00 9,909.00 8,971.90
2004	Police Dept Computer	NHPDiP#183-0045	40,012.50 18,147.50		00.04	16,808.82	- - 1,338.68	749.48	1,742.07 550.42	•	1,299.90	40,247.50 18,147.50	00'8'0	1,338 68	24, 14 1.0 1 2,638.58
2004	Intersection Improvement Intersection Improvement Total	NHPDIP#183-0046 AC Edwards Money Fund	87,510.55 87,510.55	52,000.00 137,300.05 189,300.05	,	139,510.55 3,564,25 143,074,80	133,735.80 133,735.80	3,180.52 3,180.52	4,371.51 27.62 4,399.13		7,579.65 7,579.65	87,510.55 87,510.55	1	133,735,80 133,735,80	141.315.45 141.315.45
2004	Recreation Land Recreation Land Total	NHPDIP#183-0047 AG Edwards Money Fund	75,000.00 75,000.00	25,000.00 100,000.00 125,000.00		100,000.00 100,000.00	100,000.00 100,000.00	3,773.51 3,773.51	3,830.86 20.52 3,851.38	•	7,624.89 7,624.89	75,000.00 75,000.00		100,000.00 100,000.00	107,624 89 107,624,89
2004	Masterplan Update Masterplan Update Total	NHPDIP#183-0048 AG Edwards Money Fund	25,335.00 25,335.00	17,500.00 29,167.68 46,667.68		42,835.00 1,875.00 44,710 00	- 27,292.68 27,292.68	1,487.95 1,487.95	1,316 41 5.94 1,322.35		2,810.30 2,810.30	25,335.00 25,335.00		27,292.68 27,292.68	30,102.98 30,102.98
2005	Public Works Study	NH PDiP #183-0032				200 ALC: 4		-	4 M 4 4			-			07 007 1
2005	Police Vehicle Fund	NHPDIP#183-0024	4,860.43	3,000.00		2,994.75	0,702.40 4,865.68	400.00	159.55		609.46	4,860 43		4,865 68	5,475 14
2005	Police Dept Photocopiar Fund Police Dept Photocopiar Total	R-G Premier Bank CD 4.45% 8/19/08 Community West Bank 5% 6/6/08 AG Edwards Money Fund	4,000.00 4,000.00 8,000.00	4,000.00		1	4,000.00 4,000.00 4,000.00 12,000.00	182.29 182.29	178.00 200.03 16.81 394.84		577.13 577.13	4,000.40 3,937.56 3,974,88 7,912.44	47.72 23.88 71.60	3,985,28 3,998,76 4,000,00 11,984,04	3,985.28 3,998.76 4,577.13 12,561.17
2007	Sewer Department Fund	AG Edwards Money Market Fund		96,000.00		2,153.00	93,847.00		36.09		36.09		•	93,847.00	93,883.09
2007	Pleasant Lake Dam Fund Pleasant Lake Dam Fund Total	PDIP #183-0049 AG Edwards Money Market Fund		20,000.00 20,000.00 40,000.00	1	20,000.00	20,000.00	,	387.67 3.79 391.46		391.46 391.46	1	2	20,000.00	20,391.46 20,391.46
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE		3,130,820.79	3,522,409.08	16,774.71 3,		3,504,970.86	244,687 99	164,908.03	2.055.44	408,286.89	3,150,798.00	11,983 79	3,582,464 49	3,990,751 38
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312	S&P Midcap Dep Receipts	25,702.55					25,702.55		619.81			25,702.55	45,661.20	2,730.00	48,391.20	48,391.20
183	S&P 500 Dep Receipts	15,894.94					15,894.94		497.43			15,894.94	25,916.46	839.97	26,756.43	26,756.43
1700	Pimco Corp Inc. Fd	25,288.63		157.69	157.69		25,288.63		2167.56			25,288.63	27,489.00	(5,627.00)	21,862.00	21,862.00
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	TOTAL	175,644.34	31,876.71	300.29	32,618.11	112.80 1	175,316.03	99,533.79	14889.41	16043.2	98,380.00	273,696.03	232,866.91	57.82	232,646.22	331,026.22
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34,116.12 22,317.37 3,162.99

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TOTAL

COMMON FUND TOTAL



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF CONTROL DEFICIENCIES AND OTHER MATTERS

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

In planning and reporting our audit of the financial statements of the Town of New London as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town of New London's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of New London's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of New London's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a significant deficiency and another deficiency that we consider to be a material weakness.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Town of New London's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Town of New London's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Town of New London's internal control. We consider the following deficiency to be a significant deficiency in internal control.

#### Purchase Orders

Although the Town has a formal purchase order system in place, some procedures required to achieve proper internal control were not followed. We noted that there were several instances where purchases that require a purchase order, were made and approved without the purchase order. Interim financial statements may not give a complete accounting of all commitments outstanding. We recommend that all procedures be followed in order to have a properly working purchase order system.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Town of New London's internal control. We believe that the following deficiency constitutes a material weakness.

The Town of New London has a material weakness in their internal control system over financial statement preparation. The Town's financial statements were prepared by the auditor, however, the Town does not have the expertise to evaluate whether the financial statements are in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles. We recommend that the Town take steps to correct this weakness in its internal controls, possibly by hiring a qualified consultant to evaluate the financial statements on its behalf.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the board of selectmen, others within the organization, and state and federal agencies, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

July 30, 2007

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TOWN OF NEW LONDON BALANCE SHEET Governmental Funds DECEMBER 31, 2006 (AUDITED)

ACCETC	1					TOTALS
AUGELO	General Fund	Expendable Trust	Sewer Department	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 649,884	\$ 71,797	\$ 163,144 \$	162,074	\$ 141.249	1 188 148
Investments	3,156,029	1,850,535	235,991	1,199,830		
Accounts Receivable	3,198		38,820		359 755	404 773
Taxes Receivable	435,901					435 001
Special Assessments						
Intergovernmental	35.375					
Interfund Receivable	CP7 85		000 0		12,314	47,689
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,319,129	\$ 1,922,332	\$ 441,315 \$	1,361,904	\$ 706,935	47,367 \$ 8.751.615
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	General Fund	Expendable Trust	Sewer Department	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
Accounts Payable	\$ 47,001	\$ 8,400			21.162	S 76.563
Due to School District	\$ 3,268,970					e
Interfund Payable		5,265	20,087	3.600	18 415	47 367
Retainage Payable						2 918
Deferred Revenue					357 700	357 700
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 3,315,971	\$ 13,665	\$ 20,087 \$	3,600	\$ 400,195	3 753 518
Fund Balances						
Reserved for Encumbrances	104,958				26.552	131 510
Reserved for endowments				1,209,015.00	31 492	100,000
Reserved for special purposes				149.289	55 490	004 77 000
Unreserved, undesignated reported in:						011/107
General Funs	898,200					
Special revenue funds		427,650	1,902,245			2.329.895
Capital project funds					-41,606	-41.606
TOTAL FUND Balances	\$ 1,003,158	\$ 427,650	\$ 1,902,245 \$	1,358,304	\$ 71,928	\$ 4,763,285
PUTAL LIADILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 4,319,129	\$ 441,315	\$ 1,922,332 \$	1,361,904	\$ 472,123	\$ 8,516,803

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The year 2007, like 2006 and the New Year 2008, was marked by change.

In March 2007, Town Meeting gave a fond farewell – and well-deserved standing ovation – to Doug Lyon, who had served the town as Selectman since August 1996, when he was appointed to the Board to fill Harold Buker's seat. After three terms as Selectman, Doug lost reelection in 2007 to the strong campaign of Larry Ballin. We wish Doug all of the best, and we are sure that he is not disappointed by the opportunity to spend more time at Baker Hill. In the meantime, Larry Ballin, who had formerly served on the Citizen's Advisory Committee and Zoning Board of Adjustment, is rapidly learning the ins and outs of the Selectman's position (and wondering where all of his time went).

While there were fewer permits issued for new homes, there were still 162 building permits issued.

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	2004	2003	2002	<u>2001</u>
New Buildings	9	12	20	43	33	28	17
Decks/Porches	22	23	19	21	19	26	26
Garages/Barns	16	14	20	22	18	14	9
Living Space Additions	34	28	31	36	31	33	20
Dormers/Windows	5	4	1	2	2	4	4
Interior Renovations	0	4	4	5	12	6	9
Demolition	3	5	5	15	7	4	8
Shed	14	16	12	12	8	5	10
Building Moved	0	0	1	0	1	1	7
Miscellaneous	26	26	33	19	23	15	18
Commercial	19	19	6	16	6	8	3
Excavation/Erosion Control	14	6	3	4	2	1	3
Total Permits	162	157	155	195	162	145	134

The numbers above do not reflect that the major building project in town is the \$21 million renovation and expansion of the New London Hospital, which started in the fall of 2007 and is scheduled for completion in June 2009. We are fortunate that New London Hospital's construction coincides with the roundabout and water main project, as we will all see cost savings by combining our projects during the bidding process. As you may know, in early 2007 we went out to bid for the roundabout and sidewalks to be constructed at Newport and County Roads. While we were disappointed with the very high bids in May, we repeated the process in October with a much more satisfactory result. The project, which includes the replacement of the water main on County Road from Little Sunapee Road (Route 114) to the Hospital, is now scheduled for the spring of 2008 and completion in October of 2008.

This year was the last year for the Kearsarge Regional Middle School in New London. Early in 2008 the new Kearsarge Regional Middle school in Sutton will be opened. The absence of the middle school in town means change, with new traffic patterns in the morning and afternoon.

2007 also saw the end of our contract with NH/VT Solid Waste District and the Wheelabrator incinerator in Claremont, NH. New London has begun a multi-year contract with Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District in Berlin, New Hampshire, at a significant savings. With that change behind us, it is now time to focus on better ways to use energy more efficiently and to increase our ability to increase the collection of recyclables. As a result, an Energy Committee and a Solid Waste Committee have been established and are already making recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

As a result of the positive vote at last year's Town Meeting, the Town purchased the land between the Town Office building (Old Colby Academy building) and the New London Inn. This will keep the area surrounding the Town Offices as open space and insure there will be no building on that lot, thus preserving our rural look on Main Street. The skating rink remains a popular outdoor recreational attraction, and we hope to make improvements to the warming hut and lighting in 2008.

During 2007 the Town received a gift of 69 acres from David and Celeste Cook. This land is located on Whitney Brook Road, between Pleasant Lake and the Town of Wilmot. It has wonderful views and great walking and hiking trails, including an interpretive loop. Special thanks to David and Celeste for this exceptional gift.

With the dissolution of the Sewer Commission at the 2007 Town Meeting, the Selectmen acquired the oversight of the Sewer Department and delegated management to Richard Lee and the Public Works Department. We thank the outgoing

Sewer Commissioners for their hard work and for understanding the Town's desire to improve services and reduce costs. The Board of Selectmen now sets the sewer rates in New London and participates with the Sunapee Board in decisionmaking related to the wastewater treatment plant in Sunapee. We are encouraged by our dialogue with them. A comprehensive mapping of our entire existing system in New London is now complete, thanks to an intern from Colby-Sawyer College, and the Selectmen are committed to creating efficiencies that will result in long term savings to the users.

In the spring of 2007, the Board of Selectmen developed a new process to encourage broader participation at the volunteer level here in New London. Our outreach created a long list of interested citizens who volunteered for positions on our many boards and committees. We were able to fill many vacancies with new faces, as well as reappoint many veterans, all whose service is much appreciated.

Our annual Non-Resident Taxpayers' Meeting in the summer of 2007 filled the Syd Crook Conference Room with summer residents as well as a few snowbirds who missed the March Town Meeting. These taxpayers enjoy the opportunity to participate in the dialogue of our town government -- even if they are "short-timers." The concerns they share with us generally mirror the concerns we hear from year-round residents: traffic, growth, availability of services, taxes. In their comments they also tend to remind us that we are indeed lucky to live where we do.

As always, the Board of Selectmen is thankful for our dedicated town employees and the many volunteers who contribute their time and efforts towards keeping New London the fine town we have all come to enjoy. Please take the time to read the summaries of the various departments and committees for a "Bird's Eye View" of what is going on in our town.

The year ended as it began, with another change to the Board of Selectmen. As many of you know, Selectman Sue Clough became ill in November 2007, and although she will make a full recovery, it became clear that it was going to take some time and all of her effort to get well. With our support but with much regret, she resigned from the Board of Selectmen, effective January 2, 2008. The remaining two Selectmen appointed Brian Prescott to complete Sue's term, which ends in March 2008. As of this writing, Sue is improving each day.

The Board of Selectmen meets most Monday mornings at 8:00 AM in the Syd Crook Conference Room. A current public meeting schedule and approved meeting minutes are available on the Town's website at <u>www.nl-nh.com</u>. In addition, please sign up for e-mail updates from the Board of Selectmen's Office. A link to the subscription is also on the Town's home page.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Clough Mark Kaplan Larry Ballín

> A view of Mt. Kearsarge from the property donated by David and Celeste Cook to the Town of New London in 2007. David Cook is standing in front of one of the many glacial erratics on the property, which is located on Whitney Brook Road.



### **TOWN MODERATOR**

**Elections:** New London residents voted by ballot once at Whipple Memorial Hall on March 13, 2007, an "off" election year. All Election Officials worked hard to anticipate the four election days, plus Town Meeting, in 2008, a "presidential" election year! Some of these preparatory actions included:

- ✓ Additional Ballot Clerks and Alternate Ballot Clerks to help run the 2008 election, bringing our total pool of talent to 23 volunteers!
- ✓ New Ballot Clerk Procedures Manual written: Many thanks to Thelma Kaplan and Jan Beardsley-Blanco! See <u>www.nl-nh.com</u> for details.
- ✓ Ballot Clerk training sessions now held each Monday prior to each Tuesday election day, plus special training session in November 2007 to introduce new manual.
- ✓ Ballot Clerk Schedulers: Thelma Kaplan and Pam Saunders organized shifts and assignments for Ballot Clerks...Thank you!
- ✓ Created pool of seven Assistant Moderators to help Moderator and Town Clerk.
- ✓ Developed Moderator/Assistant Moderator job descriptions; conducted training sessions for Assistant Moderators.
- ✓ Town Clerk, Moderator, Supervisors of the Checklist and others attended several training workshops during the year to keep us updated on changing election and town meeting regulations and procedures. Some of these sessions are put on by the Local Government Center and others by the Secretary of State in collaboration with the Office of the Attorney General.

Town Moderator Guidelines for Elections: There are books filled with state statutes and election procedures for running each election. The following overall guidelines are used by the Town Moderator in New London:

- Assure an open, fair and accessible election process.
- Assure that all checks and balances for election procedures are in place and utilized correctly.
- Make sure that all state and federal election laws are followed to the spirit of the laws.
- Require a safe environment for voters and election officials.
- Make sure that voters feel welcome and thanked for voting.

**Town Meeting:** At the 2007 Town Meeting we had 388 voters participating. We had six secret paper ballot votes during the evening session. We received feedback during this session that some voters might not be able to distinguish the colors of the ballot slips, if they happen to be color blind. We agreed that in 2008 we would have color-coded and alpha-coded ballot slips to remedy this situation.

**Bob MacMichael Retires:** Upon announcement that Bob MacMichael was retiring after 56 years as Ballot Clerk for the Town of New London, the citizens gave him a standing ovation! Here is a copy of what was said to thank Bob for his amazing volunteerism:

Bob, on behalf of the Town of New London I would like to thank you for your many years of public service to the Town. Today you are officially retiring after 56 years as Ballot Clerk. We all know that you have been an outstanding Ballot Clerk and so much more: Selectman for nine years; moving force behind countless Memorial Day and Veterans Day services; longtime Mayor of Elkins; and on and on and on.

I asked my mother Hilary Cleveland former Town Moderator what she remembers about you as Ballot Clerk for the 18 years you both worked at the elections together. "Oh," she said, "There are way too many stories! For instance, back when we were putting folded ballots into a wooden ballot box, for a long time we had a small wooden box. When the box was overstuffed, we would just dump the uncounted ballots into some empty boxes below the ballot table. Bob would always volunteer to carry the boxes into the 'counting room' in the back of the Town Hall. One year someone pointed out that Bob was using liquor boxes to carry the ballots in... luckily, all the town voters knew for sure that Bob was so upright



Ballot Clerks Bob MacMichael and Thelma Kaplan

and honest that there just couldn't be anything wrong with these highly unusual containers.... but next year we did have a much bigger wooden ballot box built!"

Hilary went on to say that back in the days of paper ballots and hand counting, the Ballot Clerks and Election Officials rarely got out before 2:00 am after long, tiring hours counting. Bob always stuck with it until the very end and then volunteered to drive people home.

But the quintessential "Bob MacMichael" role was, and still is, 'door watcher'. Bob could never bear the idea that someone might be walking towards the Town Hall right at 7:00 and have the door slammed in their face. Even last night on his last evening after 56 years as Ballot Clerk, Bob waited patiently by the Town Hall door at 7:00 pm, just to assure himself that no voter would be denied their vote.

Bob, you are unique: a tireless public servant who is beloved by all who know you! You have a special joy in helping others; you radiate a goodness and energy which make others feel affirmed and included in our community. You honor us by letting us honor you with our thanks and appreciation!

Moderator Rules in New London: As in previous reports, I am including New London Town Moderator Rules for your interest and convenience:

- Please state your name clearly into the microphone before making your statement.
- No non-voters to participate, except police chief or similar resource person, who may speak only to offer information.
- All substantive motions and amendments in writing. In all motions or amendments, try to avoid situations where a negative vote is needed to express a positive intent.
- Only one amendment at a time.
- No amendments to amendments.
- Voice vote, show of hands (holding colored card for visibility) or secret ("yes/no") paper ballot, which will be both color-coded and alpha-coded for voter clarity.
- Any request for secret ballot must come with five (5) signatures of voters registered in New London, and be handed to the moderator prior to voice vote on the article. The Moderator may initiate a secret ballot at any time.
- Any ruling by the moderator may be challenged by a qualified voter. The moderator will then poll the house. A simple majority controls.
- Try to avoid shutting off debate prematurely. A 2/3 vote is necessary to call the question and a call itself is not debatable.
- Give all the opportunity to speak once, beginning with the presenter of the motion, then recognize speakers giving a second chance after all have spoken at least once.
- All speakers should direct their remarks to the Moderator. In case of questions, the moderator shall call upon the appropriate person to respond.
- Each article remains open for further action until the moderator moves to the next article. After that, the meeting must vote to reconsider a previous article.
- No substantive actions may be taken under the "any other business" article. Votes of appreciation or recognition may be taken, and the moderator will only call for ayes.

The Town Meeting is a forum at which to ask questions, but more important, it is a place for debate. Proper respect and decorum will be expected of all. I look forward to seeing you all at the 2008 Town Meeting on Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School in New London.

Respectfully submitted, Cotton M. Cleveland, Town Moderator

## **SUPERVISORS OF THE (VOTER) CHECKLIST**

By state law, the elected Supervisors of the (Voter) Checklist determine whether a Town resident seeking to vote is eligible, and if not yet registered, to register the voter (RSA 652:15). The Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk also are authorized by State Law to register the resident.

Voter registration takes place daily during office hours at the Town Office building with the Town or Assistant Town Clerk, at any session publicly advertised by the Supervisors or at the polling place (Whipple Town Hall) on Election Day. Applicants are required to present proof of citizenship, age and domicile in New London.

During the year 2007, the Supervisors attended many training sessions for HAVA (the Help America Vote Act of 2002) trainings on ElectioNet (the Statewide Voter Registration System). Due to State-mandated changes in voter registration procedures and associated computer software, many hours were spent correcting and maintaining the Checklist. In January the Supervisors were present to make changes and corrections to the Checklist at the KRSD Deliberative session as well as at the Town Election in March.

New London has a population of approximately 4,400 persons. As of December 2007 there were 3,273 (74%) registered voters. Of these 1,409 (43%) were registered as Undeclared, 1,203 (37%) as Republicans and 661 (20%) as Democrats.

Respectfully submitted, Celeste Cavanaugh Cook

Elizabeth Klingler Arlene Marshall



Foreground: Election workers Peg Theroux and Linda Jackman and Town Clerk Linda Hardy Background: Supervisors of the Checklist Arlene Marshall and Celeste Cook

About 28% of your total property tax is allocated to the operation of the town. The remainder goes to county taxes, and to state and local school taxes.

The Budget Committee has studied all budget requests very carefully, first as specialized sub-committees and then as the entire committee. The Budget Committee has strived to make decisions which address the needs of the most people, maintain and improve the town's infrastructure and properties, and preserve the wonderful New London lifestyle. We continually anguish over the balance of funding these needs and the cost to us all, the taxpayers.

During the last two years, the Budget Committee has become more involved in its oversight of the Sewer Department, the Library, and the Capital Improvements Program. With wages and wage-related expenses accounting for 48% of the cost of operating the town, we have worked with the Board of Selectmen to formulate an equitable and properly rewarding wage policy.

A number of the town's buildings are long overdue for maintenance and improvements. Many requests have been made for road paving and upgrades. The Budget Committee has worked with the Town Administrator and Department Heads to produce a schedule which will address these items, but which will also moderate their tax impact.

This budget has been carefully scrutinized by a very involved Budget Committee. My sincere thanks go to the Committee's diligent members.

Respectfully submitted, John B. Wilson, Chair



Kathy Tracy leads pre-school Story Time at Tracy Memorial Library.

## KEARSARGE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

As our District's charter requires, the Municipal Budget Committee held an extensive review of each area of the School District's proposed 2008-09 budget.

The MBC, comprised of elected representatives from Warner, New London, Newbury, Bradford, Springfield, Wilmot and Sutton and one school board representative, began its review on October 2, 2007. Publicly announced meetings were held each Tuesday evening at the High School in Sutton during the months of October, November and December. The MBC began with an overview of the budget followed by detailed reviews by each principal and department head, including Special Education, Technology, Food Services and the SAU administrative budget itself. This year the Committee also undertook a review of anticipated revenues through federal and state sources. During the month of December the MBC also reviewed and discussed all proposed warrant articles being brought forth by the School Board.

In summary, the MBC voted to support the proposed budget and warrant articles recommended by the School Board. It was clear that this year's increase in the budget was mostly influenced by two major cost factors: the implementation of the teacher's collective bargaining contract approved by voters last year and the debt service associated with the new middle school and the recent addition to the high school. In the Committee's view, the school administration took obvious care to minimize or reduce other expenses in the budget as a means to mitigate the upward impact of these two factors. Another key new expense was the addition of a facilities director. This received enthusiastic support from the MBC because we have long felt that properly managing the maintenance and servicing of our aging school facilities is a necessity and that failure to do has and will continue to contribute to greater costs to taxpayers over time.

I would like to commend the elected members of the MBC for the many hours they have spent in reviewing this proposed budget. Thanks are also extended to the District's leadership team for the job done preparing, explaining and defending each of their respective budgets.

Respectfully submitted, Daniel Snyder

New London representative to and chair of Municipal Budget Committee



1941 image of proposed New London Central School.

## TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

What a great year the Town Clerk & Tax Collector's office had in 2007!

Our long-awaited connection to the State of New Hampshire for vehicle registrations finally went live in March of 2007, and after some start-up glitches (and misgivings) we are running motor vehicle and boat transactions smoothly and efficiently. As most of you are aware, we are able to complete many more types of transactions in our office, thus saving you a trip to another office.

We are now able to accept online property tax payments by credit card or ACH debit. This service was somewhat delayed but is now available for those who are looking to use their card and willing to pay additional fees to the third-party processing company. Fees for processing any of these payments are the responsibility of the residents using the system. *Residents should be aware that we still will not be able to accept credit or debit cards in person.* This is strictly an online service, initiated through the Town of New London website. No one chose this option during the December tax cycle, but we will continue to offer this service if there is any interest within the next year.

We were fortunate to have only had the traditional ballot voting and Town Meeting in March as our only elections of the year. In 2008, we will once again see a Presidential election, as well as the first in the nation Presidential Primary and a State Primary! We spent many hours working on the Statewide Voter System, removing duplicate voter names and correcting addresses. This effort continues in all towns and cities as we try to make our checklists as accurate as possible.

We continued to process a large number of passport applications, as citizens prepared to meet deadlines set by the U.S. Department of State regarding who must present passports for travel. At this time, the final deadline is mid-2008 for travelers by land crossing into Mexico or Canada. We expect a surge in applications as that deadline approaches. We will keep our residents informed of any changes or updates, as new proposals may change or delay the deadline originally imposed.

It is a pleasure for me and Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Joan Pankhurst to serve you all. Whether we do your transactions by mail, over the phone, or in person we enjoy our interactions. It is also a pleasure to work with such a great group of Town employees. All residents can be assured of efficient, friendly service from all our Departments!

#### Respectfully submitted, *Línda M. Hardy* Town Clerk and Tax Collector

**DOG OWNERS** must register all dogs over three months of age. Rabies certificates are required for registration. Dog license renewals are due by <u>April 30</u>. Owners are liable for dogs running at large. License Fees: \$6.50 new puppy; adult dogs: \$6.50 altered, \$9.00 not altered. If owner is over 65 years of age, fee for license is \$2.00 for first dog in household. A late fee of \$1.00 per month is charged beginning June 1. Civil Forfeiture for not obtaining a dog license is a fine of \$25.00 (RSA 466:13) in addition to registration fees.

VEHICLE OWNERS must register their vehicles with the Town Clerk. Renewals, decals, transfers and plates are available. Consider registering your boats in our office as well! The Town is allowed to keep certain fees that would otherwise go directly to the State of New Hampshire.

**THOSE WORKING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS** must file a Dredge and Fill application with the Town Clerk before beginning work (RSA 483-A). Fines may be assessed for non-compliance.

**PASSPORT APPLICATIONS:** We process applications for first-time passports:

- Applicants for first-time passport must appear in person. Required documentation at time of application includes application, passport photos, certified copy of birth certificate, and back-up identification.
- For children under the age of 14, *both* parents must appear. Children's renewals are treated the same as first-time passport applications.
- Signatures must be witnessed by the passport agent, so do not sign applications in advance of your visit.
- Total fees for standard processing are \$97.00 (adults) and \$82.00 (children under the age of 16). Please bring checks for payment, as fees are divided between two payees, and passport application fees must accompany paperwork to Passport Processing Office.
- Passport renewals for adults are done by mail directly with the Passport Office and require completed application, new photos, old passport and check.

**TOWN HISTORY BOOKS**: We sell copies of the <u>Mirror to America</u>, <u>A History of New London</u>, New Hampshire, 1900-1950, for \$20.00 and <u>Our Voices</u>, <u>Our Town</u>, <u>A History of New London</u>, <u>New Hampshire</u>, 1950-2000, for \$30.00.

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

I am privileged to once again submit this annual report to the citizens of New London. Thank you to all of the volunteers and staff who bring such life, joy, and pride to the townspeople. The year 2007 seemed to pass quickly, almost too quickly to take note of all of the activities and accomplishments of our town departments and volunteer boards and committees. Here are some highlights and updates from the year behind us:

**Community Partnership Award:** As you may know, in 2005 the towns of New London, Newbury, and Sunapee New Hampshire created a joint assessing department to share the cost of a professional assessing program, to improve customer service, and to provide more effective and efficient services. We were quite pleased in July 2007 when the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) awarded the towns with the 2007 Community Partnership Program Excellence Award. ICMA, based in Washington, DC, is a world-wide organization with more than 7,000 members, and this is the first time a New Hampshire municipality has been selected for this award, which recognizes "programs that demonstrate innovative, multi-participant involvement between or among a local government and other governmental entities, businesses, individuals, or nonprofit agencies to improve the quality of life for residents or provide more efficient and effective services."

More importantly, the program remains successful, thanks to the work of Assessor Norm Bernaiche and Assistant Assessor Kris McAllister, and the familiar face of Amy Rankins, Land Use & Assessing Coordinator. The three lakefront towns continue to explore ways in which we can work together to save money and create efficiencies, and we welcome ideas from users of our local government services.

**Recreation Department Award:** In 2007 the New London Recreation Department received the Shelnutt/Perkins Award for Programming Excellence from the New Hampshire Parks and Recreation Association. The award recognized the "Dinner with Jack Frost" progressive ski dinner held on January 19, 2007, one of the coldest (if not <u>the</u> coldest) nights of the winter. Despite the cold, over 200 people showed up, going from campfire to campfire at the New London Outing Club, and partaking of a different food item (donated by local restaurants) at each campfire. The second annual dinner in January 2008 was even more successful, with over 350 participants. Nice job!

Additional kudos go out to Recreation Director Chad Denning and his hearty band of volunteers, who have created a new venue for winter recreation in New London. With the assistance of John Clough, John Kiernan, Greg Berger, Bob Messer, and Richard Lee, Chad improved the public trail behind the Middle School that crosses property owned by Spring Ledge Farm and the Messer family and ends at Morgan Hill Road (or connects to additional trail systems). Many people have

taken advantage of the free snowshoeing and skiing available right in our downtown back yard!

**Town-Gown Award:** In May 2007, our Police Chief David Seastrand was presented with the "Gown Award" from Colby-Sawyer College in recognition of Chief's Seastrand's leadership and the cooperative relationship between the New London Police Department and the Colby-Sawyer College Campus Safety Office. The "Town Award" went to the Director of Campus Safety, Peter Berthiaume, who is also the Town's volunteer Emergency Management Director (see Emergency Management Committee report). This joint award is covered further in the Colby-Sawyer College report, but I did not want to miss this opportunity to recognize yet another award-winning Town department!

**Town Report Award:** The Town of New London received first place among towns in the 3001-5000 population category in the Local Government Center's 2007 Excellence in Annual Reports Awards contest. According to LGC, "the Excellence in Annual Report Awards serve to recognize municipalities that have produced exceptional annual reports that are both informational and citizen-friendly communication vehicles."



Land Use & Assessing Coordinator Amy Rankins accepts the Town Report award from David Caron, Chair of the Board of the Local Government Center and Londonderry Town Manager (photo courtesy of the Local Government Center).

**Public Works**: In 2007, Town Meeting approved the consolidation of the Highway and Wastewater Departments, and the Board of Selectmen shortly thereafter created the Town of New London's first Public Works Department, handling not only highway and sewer, but cemeteries, parks, beaches, and the transfer station. The transition went smoothly and in our

first year we oversaw an inflow study of the wastewater system required by the Town's settlement with the Attorney General's office over the sewer spill in 2004. Unfortunately (or fortunately), the inflow study did not discover a major contributor of storm water into the sewer system, so the large inflow of water during storm events remains somewhat of a mystery. The study did reveal numerous manhole defects and 13 sump pumps that were illegally connected to the sewer system, and those deficiencies will be addressed in 2008.

**Colby-Sawyer College interns**: In the past, students from Colby-Sawyer College have successfully partnered with the Conservation Commission and Recreation Department (see Recreation Commission report), and we are always looking for ways to expand these mutually beneficial relationships.

As part of the above-mentioned inflow study, we realized that the maps of the sewer system were outdated and inaccurate and provided little guidance to field workers. The Public Works Department was fortunate to find a senior intern from Colby-Sawyer College with GPS experience, who spent the fall semester mapping the sewer lines and manholes and cataloging the size, type, and condition of every manhole and connecting pipes. Intern Geoff Pushee's work resulted in a comprehensive digital map of the wastewater system that will be overlaid on the Town's existing digital maps, helping us monitor performance and respond to Dig Safe requests and emergencies. Even though we provided the student with an hourly stipend, we saved thousands of dollars through the use of the College's internship program. The student will continue work with the Public Works Department during the spring 2008 semester, as he completes his senior Capstone Project on the effects of stormwater contribution to the wastewater system.

In the spring of 2008, the Energy Committee (see Energy Committee report) will also have the benefit of working with a senior Colby-Sawyer student, Sarah Jean Champagne, whose internship will include research and public education (including website development) on energy conservation. Sarah's senior Capstone Project will also relate to the Energy Committee, as Sarah will investigate the economic, procedural, and practical aspects of constructing one or more wind turbines in New London.

**Employee Wages & Benefits**: In 2006, the Town completed a wage and classification study that compared the salaries paid to New London's full-time and permanent part-time employees to similar positions in comparable towns. The goals of the study were two-fold: 1) to ensure that New London remained an employer of choice by providing competitive pay and benefits; and 2) to ensure internal equity among positions in New London. Going into 2007 Town Meeting, the Selectmen proposed changes in salaries to meet the guidelines of the study, which also recommended a formal grade and step process. A year later, during the preparation of the 2007 budget, Budget Committee members raised concerns that the wage study created an unsustainable annual wage increase of 3% between steps, plus a recommended annual cost-of-living adjustment. The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen formed a Personnel Subcommittee that met numerous times in 2007 and ultimately made two recommendations for the 2008 budget process: 1) reduce the leave time accrual for employees by 15 days, thereby removing over \$100,000 in future liability; and 2) budget a 4.5% average raise in 2008, which includes a cost-of-living adjustment and a modest merit incentive.

As the economy slows and expenses increase, I appreciate the ability of employees and elected officials to work together to minimize budgetary impact. This recent resolution was win-win: employees can be gratified that their contributions to the town are valued, and taxpayers can be satisfied that the Budget Committee has given thorough consideration to the balance between employee benefits and taxpayer dollars.

**WCNH.net**: The multi-town fiber optic project continues to make slow progress, as we wade through state and local regulations affecting the towns' desire to construct a municipal fiber optic network. In fact, progress is so slow that I will just refer you back to my statements in last year's Town Report on the same subject.

**Gravel Roads:** New London has over 41 gravel roads totaling 16 miles, and periodically residents of one or more of these roads ask the Board of Selectmen to pave their roads. In the summer of 2007, residents of Pine Hill Road, Laurel Lane, and Hemlock Lane wrote to the Selectmen asking for their roads to be paved, and both groups indicated that, although it would not be their first choice, they were prepared to bring a petition to Town Meeting to ask voters to approve the paving of their roads. In response, the Board of Selectmen held a meeting for all gravel road residents on August 27, 2007, and with residents of Laurel and Hemlock Lanes on September 10, 2007, at which the Board of Selectmen and those present discussed the philosophical, financial, and procedural aspects of paving gravel roads. Ultimately, the Selectmen and Budget Committee asked the Director of Public Works to review the list of gravel roads, prepare a paving schedule that addresses the <u>Town's</u> concerns for safety, traffic and maintenance, and develop that schedule into a long-range capital plan that spreads out the cost of paving and minimizes the impact on the tax rate.

The Director of Public Works prepared a short list of three categories of roads -- low, medium and high priority – and we worked that list into a ten-year paving program that will go to Town Meeting in 2008. In this proposal, the Town would make annual deposits into a capital reserve fund and pave one or two roads per year. The following roads would be paved over the first five years of the program (in sequence): 1) Quail Run; 2) Rowell Hill & Ridge Roads; 3) Quarry Road and Old Coach Road; 4) Pine Hill Road; and 5) Laurel & Hemlock Lanes. The current plan envisions the first ten years of a paving program, during which the Town would pave 18 roads. As with all of our capital plans, the Town revisits the plan every year so that the ten-year cost projection will remain as current as possible. As roads on this list are completed (or removed by property owner consensus), we anticipate adding additional roads in the Town's order of priority.

In the works for 2008: The Board of Selectmen, Department Heads, and I are working on the following projects for the coming year:

- **Elkins**: We continue to envision a re-energized Elkins Village, with a full Mill Pond, a busy commercial district, and a vibrant recreational area. In 2008, we will ask our engineers from Clough, Harbour & Associates to perform a community "charette" to identify the community's desires for this special place. We hope to put together a mix of public and private funding to revitalize Elkins, including grants and economic development investment.
- **Roundabout & Sidewalks**: In the spring of 2008, construction of the Newport & County Road roundabout and sidewalk project will begin. The completion date is October 15, 2008, so we are preparing for a summer of dust and inconvenience that will be rewarded in the end!
- Sewer Lagoons: When the Sunapee Wastewater Treatment Plant was constructed in the early 1970s and the New London plant at the end of Frothingham Road was no longer used for treatment, there remained behind three lagoons on Town property near Lyon Brook. Under federal law, these lagoons are supposed to be closed within a certain time period following termination, though neither the federal government nor state government is enforcing the requirement. At the 2007 Town Meeting, voters approved placing the lagoon property under a permanent conservation easement, which will require formal closure of the lagoons. We are working closely with representatives from the State Department of Environmental Services to finalize a plan to remove the sludge from the bottom of the lagoons, fill the lagoons with material stockpiled from Town construction projects, and restore the property to a clean state that will require no ongoing environmental monitoring.

I am entering my eighth year as your Town Administrator, and I feel very fortunate to work with such wonderful staff and Department Heads and the many volunteers who are so engaged in their community. I would like to extend my personal gratitude and best wishes to Doug Lyon and Sue Clough, whom I worked with from August 2000 until they left the Board of Selectmen in March 2007 and January 2008, respectively. Together and in their separate ways, Doug and Sue taught me a great deal about partnership, leadership, and friendship and I will miss the regular interaction with them.

That is not to say that change is bad; I have enjoyed the short time that I have worked with Larry Ballin and Brian Prescott, and look forward to the exchange of new ideas and the setting of new priorities. The Board of Selectmen is almost entirely new, but the good humor and respectful dialogue continues. Mark Kaplan is as impassioned as ever about the well-being of the town, and will provide compassionate and engaging leadership as chair in 2008. The Board of Selectmen's job is not an easy one, nor does it pay well (Doug Lyon once calculated that the Selectmen's stipend amounts to 12 cents an hour), and we staff appreciate their leadership and commitment, and it is a pleasure working with all three.

Finally, my heartfelt thanks to the many volunteers serving on our boards and committees and to those who volunteer for the Town's non-profit and service organizations. This Town would not be what it is without your contributions.

Respectfully submitted, Jessie W. Levine Town Administrator

### **ASSESSING OFFICE**

2007 was a busy year. We inspected or reviewed about 586 properties. This included building permits, full interior and exterior inspections, exterior measures and data error corrections. A significant portion of the work was the complete measuring and data collection of two large condominium projects: Hilltop Place and the Seasons. 2008 appears to be similar in that we have 132 new permits to look at and 80 properties to visit that were incomplete as of April 1, 2007. We will continue with our re-inspection program, attempting to visit another 300 properties to verify the existing data and make any corrections. We also re-visited Colby-Sawyer College properties at the request of the College to make sure that their properties and respective uses (exempt/non-exempt) were being treated consistently. It resulted in an increase in the taxable value of their property which we believe they intend to challenge. We continue to have very few tax appeals at both the local and state level.

This past year saw a change in personnel. Dan Fitzgerald, Assistant Assessor, left to start his own appraisal business and we hired Kris McAllister. Kris comes to us with six years of experience in the assessment field and has attained the Certified Assessor designation from the New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials and is certified by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) as an Appraisal Supervisor.

We are scheduled to go through assessment review in 2010. The DRA's Property Appraisal Division is charged with monitoring our assessment program following state law, administrative rules and guidelines established by the Assessing Standards Board. This review will be the most comprehensive to date. In my opinion, the most significant change will be the writing of an industry compliant report by us explaining the thought process and corresponding data used to arrive at new values. The goal is to make the process more transparent to property owners.

We are in the process of delineating neighborhoods -- which has not been done since the 2003 revaluation -- grouping them by age of home, size of lot, size of house, location and other factors that share similar characteristics. This will allow us to fine tune our data and produce more fair and equitable assessments. Preliminarily, the median ratio (assessed value compared to sale price) is 89.6%, when last year it was 88.5%. This means that if a property sold for \$300,000, on the average the assessment would be \$268,800 or 89.6% of sales price. Please note that the 89.6% is an average number made up of the all sale prices in New London compared to their corresponding assessments.

The slightly higher ratio this year means there has been a slight downturn in the New London market. I'm sure this comes as no surprise. We are constantly monitoring market conditions as they relate to the different classes and sub-classes of property to determine if inequity exists among these classes. Of particular interest at this time is vacant land. This segment appears to be under-assessed in relation to the overall assessment level of the community. We are watching this segment closely over the next several months to determine if adjustments need to be made for the 2008 tax year.

There has been a lot of publicity surrounding the so-called "view tax." There is no such thing. View is simply a component part of the value of your property. There are varying degrees of view which we as professional assessors have been quantifying for years. Yes, view can be somewhat subjective, but the fact is, as long as the factors are being applied consistently across an entire community by a trained professional, it is fair. That is the ultimate goal of an assessing program: to be fair. Much of the recent talk about view stems from the fact that these communities never used view as a component of value. This tended to make their assessments unfair. In New London, view has been a component of value back to at least 1987, and the NH Assessing Standards Board recently stated that view is a component of a property's value. Opponents have stated the Board should better define a view. I believe guidelines and standards established by the Board will help in this area, but it will take some time to work itself through.

I would also like to remind taxpayers to regularly review their property record file to make sure their records are accurate. The office is open daily from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM with assistance available, or you can view your property record card on line at <u>http://data.visionappraisal.com/NewlondonNH/</u>. Please do not hesitate to call our office at 526-4821, ext. 17 or 20, with any inquiries relating to your property assessment.

Respectfully submitted, Normand G. Bernaíche Assessor

## TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

The following tax relief programs are permitted by state law and were adopted by Town Meeting. Applications for these programs are available at the Selectmen's Office and, *unless otherwise stated*, are due by March 1 following the final tax bill.

<u>Abatements</u>: Per RSA 76:16, property owners who believe that their property is assessed incorrectly or that the assessment is disproportionate to other similar properties may apply to the Board of Selectmen for an abatement. Applications are available in the Selectmen's Office and on line at: www.nh.gov/btla/forms.html. *March 1 deadline*.

**Blind Exemption:** Per RSA 72:37, residents who are legally blind, as determined by the Administrator of Blind Services of the Vocational Rehabilitation Division of the Education Department, may qualify for a \$15,000 exemption off the property value. Applications are available in the Selectmen's Office. *March 1 deadline*.

Tax Deferral Lien: Per RSA 72:38-a, a disabled resident or resident over 65 may apply for a tax deferral lien. This program allows a resident to defer payment of their residential property taxes, plus annual interest of 5%, until the transfer of their property. *March 1 deadline*.

**Elderly Exemption:** Residents over 65 years of age who meet income and asset limits may apply for an exemption off the assessment of their property: a single resident must have a net income under \$26,800 and married residents a combined net income under \$40,800, and cannot own assets in excess of \$150,000 (*excluding the value of the residence and up to two acres of residential land*). Applicants must be a resident of New London and must have lived in the State of New Hampshire for at least three years, as of April 1<sup>st</sup>. Approved applicants will receive the following exemptions: ages 65-74, \$35,000; ages 75-79, \$50,000; and over 80 years old, \$70,000. *Applications are due by April 15 for the current tax year*.

<u>Veteran's Tax Credit</u>: Per RSA 72:28, a resident who has served in the armed forces in qualifying wars or armed conflicts and was honorably discharged; a resident who served in any war or armed conflict that has occurred since May 8, 1975 in which the resident earned an armed forces expeditionary medal or theater of operations service medal; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, may qualify for a \$500 tax credit. The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty, so long as the surviving spouse does not remarry, may qualify for a \$2,000 tax credit. Applicants must be a resident of New London and must have lived in the State of New Hampshire for at least one year, as of April 1<sup>st</sup>. Any person who has a total and permanent service connected disability or is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service connected injury, and has been honorably discharged, may qualify for a \$2,000 tax credit. *Applications are due by April 15 for the current tax year*.

Low & Moderate Income Homeowner's Property Tax Relief: The State of New Hampshire's Low and Moderate Property Tax Relief Program runs annually from May 1 - June 30. In the past, the State has made applications available at the Selectmen's Office by April 15 and required them to be filed directly with the state between May 1 - June 30. Those interested in learning more about this program should visit the Department of Revenue Administration website at www.nh.gov/revenue/forms/low\_mod\_program.htm or contact the DRA at (603)271-2191. This is a state run program authorized by RSA 198:57 and eligibility is determined at the state level. You may be eligible for this program if you are single with an adjusted gross income equal to or less than \$20,000; married or filing head of a NH household with an adjusted gross income equal to or less than \$40,000; own a home subject to the State Education Property Tax; and resided in that home on April 1 of the tax year.

For more information about any of these programs, please contact Amy Rankins, Land Use and Assessing Coordinator, at 526-4821, ext. 20 or by email at landuse@nl-nh.com.

### **POLICE AND COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENTS**

This year the Police Department continued to focus on training. More emphasis was put on working with the other area departments and the Colby-Sawyer College safety department and, for the first time, we were able to offer training to the area residents in self-defense.

In the spring of 2007, just after the students had left for the year, the entire Colby Sawyer College staff, their safety department and the Town's Emergency Management team and adjoining police departments worked together to evaluate the preparedness of the emergency response plan the campus safety department had put together. This collaborative exercise assisted us in identifying areas that need improvement, and what worked well, while demonstrating the need to continue to train together in the wake of the Virginia Tech shooting. This fall we continued our training with Campus Safety, and with the assistance from our Town's Insurance carrier, developed several real life scenarios that challenged our officers to handle situations incorporating communications and a multiple officer response.

This year Officer Thorp and Detective Anderson presented classes to the public. One was self-defense, given by our self-defense instructor, and the other was informational on how firearms possession and handling work within the laws in New Hampshire. These classes received great reviews, along with our internet safety class that has been provided now for a couple of years. We look forward to seeing them offered again this year.

For the second year in a row the Police Department promoted bicycle safety by providing free helmets to anyone who requested one. They were offered at the Hospital Days Fair, and also at the First Baptist Church safety fair, with over 300 helmets provided to those who needed one, this past year alone.

This year we again provided free fingerprinting to anyone who needed this service. And as you will observe in our numbers, we handled over 150 prints again this year.

2008 will mark the second year that Officer Bailey will be in the classroom teaching the D.A.R.E. program, while this program enters into its 17th year here in our school system.

Once again this department applied for and received Highway Safety grants in fighting D.W.I offenders and speeders. These enforcement patrols pay for an extra officer to go out into the community and look specifically at these issues, while the town is still covered by the duty officer. Once again, these programs resulted in slowing traffic and removing impaired drivers from our streets.

The process continues in updating and maintaining our policies and procedures to get them in line with the national standards and State recognition. This is done by reviewing each standard, making, or developing a policy and making changes if needed, along with the training that comes from these changes.

In 2007 the Department completed changes to the patrol cars that allow officers to communicate silently to the dispatcher and to make inquires to the state and national data bases in real time, making it safer for the officers to do their jobs.

Our Police Department joined the Central New Hampshire special operations team this year. Officer Thorp was assigned to this unit which specializes in high risk law enforcement procedures. The team also provides manpower for events that may require additional resources to complete the project safely.

Our Communications Department also went through some changes. In 2007 the department was remodeled so that it could accommodate two dispatchers working independently, yet together, if the situation was needed. Once again the department found itself looking for and training additional part-time help. This position, especially part-time, has proven very hard to keep staffed.

Our dispatchers received training in mock casualties, Simunitions, and fire dispatch this year. They look forward to the challenges that the next call may provide. The Communications Department received 18,695 calls for service in 2007.

I would like to thank all of the state, local, and campus departments once again for their assistance this year, and would encourage all of you to get to know this department more by stopping by, asking questions and finding out how we can serve you better.

Sincerely, David Seastrand Chief of Police

# **Police Department Incident Counts**

Incident Type	2007	2006	Incident Type	2007	2006
911 Hangups	94	79	Log Notes	375	272
Abandoned Vehicle	81	113	Lost Property	68	48
Alarm	353	404	Medical Call	117	110
Animal Complaint	264	233	Missing Person	11	12
Arrest	208	293	MV Complaints	178	149
Assist Citizen	142	81	MV Unlocks	81	61
Assist Motorist	278	273	Noise Disturbance	30	52
Assault	9	12	OHRV Complaints	3	3
Assist Other Agency	225	189	Open Container	12	2
Bad Check	13	8	Open Door/Window	8	22
Be on Lookout	55	69	Other	16	28
Burglary	6	13	Paperwork Service	66	99
Burn Permits issued	131	42	Parking Violation	204	165
Business Check	387	1174	Passing a School Bus	7	1
<b>Business Check Requests</b>	4	6	Pistol Permit	25	12
Civil Issue/Stand-by	54	35	Police Information	67	39
Computer related	2	2	Property-Stolen	2	1
Counterfeiting	1	1	Property-Found	58	54
Criminal Threats	12	16	Protective Custody	5	4
Criminal Trespass	6	8	Protective Order	6	3
Criminal Mischief	35	42	Reckless Conduct	0	0
Death/Suicide	2	2	Residential Lockout	52	6
Directed Patrol	754	564	Road Complaints	154	127
Disorderly Conduct	4	4	MV Repossession	4	4
Domestic Dispute	24	24	Sexual Assault	0	4
Drug Related	12	16	Shoplifting/Willful Concealment	2	3
Escort	1	0	Shots Fired	6	3
Facility Used	25	25	Stalking	2	4
Fingerprints	174	262	Subject Stop	12	13
Fire Call		15	Suicide-Attempted	1	2
Forgery	1	2	Suspicious Person/Vehicle	290	343
Fraud	25	26	Theft	75	87
Fireworks Violation	10	3	Unwanted Subject	31	23
Harassment	44	26	Traffic Accident	185	152
House Check	1179	1123	Traffic Stops	2089	3183
House Check Request	137	103	VIN Inspection	42	36
Internet Crimes -Children	5	1	Vehicle off road-no damage	34	19
Indecent Exposure	1	2	Welfare Check	83	30
Juvenile Complaints	69	35	Wires Down	27	50
Liquor Law Violations	16	8			
Littering	20	10	TOTAL INCIDENTS	9608	10570

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

As I sit here writing this report it is snowing outside and another year is coming to an end. We had a busy year with snow, rain, washouts and regular planned work. As we look back on this past year, we will also look ahead to next year in each division of the New London Public Works Department.

<u>Highway Division</u>: Last winter, we didn't get any amount of snow until late January. This in itself causes problems with the ditches that have a little water running in them because they freeze up and culverts freeze. We used salt and calcium chloride to keep some of them open but not all of them. When we did get snow it covered the ice and all looked good. The rest of the winter we had some snow but not a lot; we finished the winter with 86" of snow. Then came April 15<sup>th</sup>, when we had about 9" of heavy wet snow followed by about 3" of rain. We had plowed the snow into the ditches that were still mostly frozen with ice and the water had no place to run except in the roads, which caused many washouts. This storm did get declared as a disaster by President Bush and we were approved for FEMA funds that reimbursed the town \$84,014.15 for road repairs. This put us back about a month getting work done due to the amount of repairs we had to do. We were lucky in some respects that it wasn't any worse in town. Some towns lost a lot more roads and some even lost bridges.

Our large construction project was to finish grinding and paving Lakeshore Drive. This meant we had to remove rocks, replace culverts, install catch basins in a couple of places, clean ditches and slope off banks. We contracted to have the road ground, graded and paved; in conjunction with this project we added material in places to help the grades and drainage. After the contractor was done paving we went back and sloped off all the gravel driveways and the banks where we needed to. We still have a little work to finish in the spring of 2008. We did find that one of the old culverts under the road was an original old stone culvert which we did leave in place. This culvert has some historical value -- as far as we know it is the only one left in New London.

We reshaped and cleaned ditches on many roads this past summer and fall, including Pleasant Street, Davis Hill Road, Littlefield Road, Bunker Road, County Road, Knights Hill Road, and Fairway Lane.

On gravel roads this summer we replaced culverts, applied magnesium chloride for dust control and compaction, and applied about 700 yards of crushed gravel and 1,000 tons of <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch knit pack to the surface. Some of the roads that got knit pack were Forest Acres Road, Old Main Street, Pine Hill Road, Lamson Lane, Laurel Lane, Rowell Hill Road, and Hemlock Lane. We also installed about 1,200 feet of drainage on both sides of the hill on Old Coach Road, an area where we have had washout problems and soft roads in the spring and that washed out during the April storm.

Over the past summer we had meetings with residents who live on certain gravel roads that would like to have their roads paved. The Public Works Director, Town Administrator, Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee have put together a proposal for residents to vote on at Town Meeting to address this issue over the long-term and start to pave some of the gravel roads in town. We propose to open a capital reserve fund with annual deposits towards paving gravel roads, and every year we will pave one or two roads in order of priority determined by the Town.

We were able to build 440 feet of sidewalk on Main Street this fall. This project was planned for awhile and we have some more to do in the spring of 2008. Also in 2008 we plan to grind and pave the section of County Road from the Hilltop Place driveway to Route 114 (in conjunction with the roundabout), install drainage along side of Page Road (and if we have funds enough we will grind and pave Page Road). We plan to shim Hastings Landing and part of Shaker Street.

We have been at full staff all year and it was greatly needed to accomplish all the work we wanted to plus repair the spring washouts. The staff has continued to go to training classes. We constantly strive to keep up with changing materials, equipment and ways to do our jobs better, more efficiently and environmentally friendly.

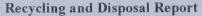
<u>Transfer Station</u>: We have not made many changes in the Transfer Station during the past year, although we did change where our trash is disposed. We now take our trash to the Mount Carberry Landfill in Berlin, NH. Our staff hauls it to Meredith and then we contract a hauler to take it the rest of the way to Berlin. This is working out well. We also took delivery of our new trash trailer which helps us keep the facility running efficiently.

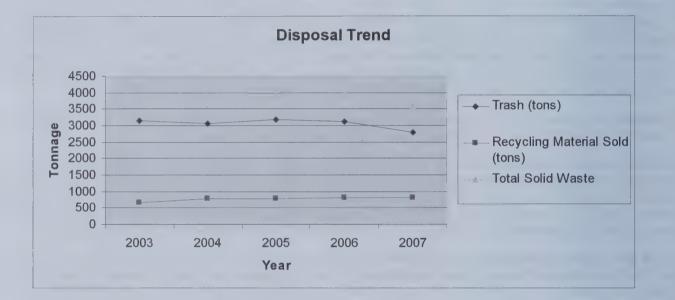
The Transfer Station staff is doing a great job at promoting recycling, and we hope to do more in 2008. Our recycling figures showed an increase from last year, which is good. Along those same lines the price we are getting paid for our recyclables has stayed up all year. Without counting scrap metal, the Town of New London recycled 47 more tons of material in 2007 than it did in 2006! Using our current disposal costs of approximately \$70 per ton and average recyclable sale price of \$62 per ton, that increase in recycling brought a net benefit to the Town of over \$6000! We can't remember a time when we have been paid so much for paper and cardboard. In July, we started to take electronic waste at the Public

Works garage on South Pleasant Street. We do charge to take computers, TVs and other electronic equipment, since there are costs to dispose of the equipment.

We have also had a Solid Waste Committee start looking at the whole solid waste issue and plan for New London's future. For those who continue to recycle we say THANK YOU. For those thinking about it please join in and help keep the costs of trash disposal down and generate some revenue along the way.

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	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Trash (tons)	2,799.19	3122.11	3181.24	3049.10	3150.40
Recycling Material Sold (tons)	<u>812.44</u>	799.12	787.99	782.32	660.15
Total Solid Waste	3,611.63	3921.23	3969.23	3831.42	3810.54
Revenue from Material Sold	\$50,496.97	\$27,208.64	\$25,602.03	\$30,711.84	\$8,401.29
Cost Avoidance (\$91/ton Jan-Jun & \$68/ton	<u>\$61,288.32</u>	<u>\$72,719.92</u>	<u>\$71,707.09</u>	<u>\$61,466.23</u>	<u>\$57,432.83</u>
July-Dec)					
Total Benefit from Recycling	\$111,785.29	\$99,928.56	\$97,309.12	\$92,178.07	\$65,833.47





Material Sold	2007	2007	2006	2006	2005	2005	2004	2004
	Weight	Revenue	Weight	Revenue	Weight	Revenue	Weight	Revenue
Paper	312.45	\$14,445.90	297.5	\$3,044.20	294.71	\$4,544.50	247.00	\$7,221.09
Cardboard	223.18	\$16,902.35	222.5	\$7,479.00	224.57	\$6,463.78	293.15	\$10,967.93
Glass <sup>1</sup>	162.98	\$1,906.20	136.3	0*	150.04	0*	136.99	0*
Light Metal (Scrap)	64.32	\$3,953.88	97.37	\$5,823.77	84.13	\$3,928.70	152.50	\$5,579.26
Steel Cans (Tin)	21.57	\$672.59	25.5	\$465.71	18.60	\$277.77	16.04	\$286.63
Aluminum Cans	2.80	\$5,188.58	4.6	\$5,789.66	2.61	\$1,751.35	2.83	\$2,897.29
Batteries (Home)	1.08	\$212		\$84.00	0.22		1.25	\$18.40
Plastic Bottles (HDPE)	8.39	\$2,663.82	8.18	\$1,534.40	7.55	\$3,251.35	6.72	\$364.00
Plastic (PETE)	8.33	\$4,551.65	7.32	\$2,987.50	5.56	\$1,412.70	3.78	\$154.80
Electronic Waste <sup>2</sup>	7.33	\$0						
TOTAL:	812.44	\$50,496.97	799.27	\$27,208.24	787.99	\$25,602.03	782.32	\$30,711.84

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> We continue to recycle our own glass, which is crushed at the pit on Mountain Road and mixed with gravel into a product that we use for road repairs. Although we derive no revenue from the sale of glass, we save money by mixing glass with gravel and using it for road construction projects.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> There is no revenue for electronic waste, since the payment received for disposal covers the cost of disposal.

We received the following summary of New London's recycling activity with the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), a recycling cooperative of which New London is an active member.<sup>3</sup>

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Aluminum Cans	3,380 pounds	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 343,949 hours!
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<u>Wastewater Division</u>: This division was somewhat busy this year. We contracted with a company to conduct an inflow study on all the lines in town. This turned out to be approximately 98,000 feet. They first conducted smoke tests, and then looked for sump pumps hooked up to the wastewater lines and finally they dye-tested to check roof drains and catch basins. We have started to repair items that were found to need it in the testing. We did find some problems in each one of the different test cycles. We had to repair some pumps this past year and we had to rebuild some of the manholes on our force main in Sunapee due to road construction. When we conducted the testing it became very clear we didn't have a good map of the entire system in one place. What we had was multiple maps in different sizes that wouldn't match up. So we have shared the cost of software with the Highway Division to do GPS locations, manhole condition and pipe size so when we get done we will have a complete map of the system, its location and condition. This map will also have all the private systems such as Hilltop, Fenwood, and Highland Ridge. We were fortunate to have a student from Colby-Sawyer College doing his senior project, collecting all of this data and working to get it into the maps. The Highway Division will also be able to use the software to map out locations of storm drainage catch basins, culvert locations and sign locations.

<u>Cemetery Division</u>: We have been busy in this division also this year. John Wiltshire came back in Old Main Street this year. We were down one person in Elkins some of the summer. We continue to mow, trim, fix stones and trim shrubs along with spread loam, seed and pick up leaves. This fall we took out the old fence along side of Bog Road at Old Main Street and we had a new vinyl fence installed. The new fence looks very good and if you didn't know you would think it is wood. The old fence was going to need a lot of repairs and painting again which was going to cost a lot of money. Please take a look and see if you like it we may want to continue with this type of replacement as the rest of the fence may need it. It is planned in 2008 to clear the next section of land at the West Part Cemetery and have the stumps removed. You may have noticed this cemetery is getting closer to being full.

As you can see we have had a very busy year in all the different divisions. We would like to thank the residents, Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for providing us with the funds and equipment to be able to do all that we do during the year. I would also like to thank the New London Town Office staff, Police Department, Fire Department, Recreation Department and Water Department for all the help they provide us during the year. It is great to see how we work together to accomplish many things for the Town of New London.

I also want to give the staff of the Public Works Department a BIG THANK YOU. Without a very dedicated and professional staff we would not get as much done. These people put in long hard hours when it storms during the year. We would like to ask people to please drive with caution during the winter, clean your windows and give plow trucks as much room as possible. During the summer please respect work zones and drive slowly. Our jobs make us work in the road; please keep us safe.

Respectfully Submitted, *Ríchard E. Lee* Public Works Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Not all of our material is marketed through NRRA, which is the primary reason for any discrepancy between our figures and NRRA's figures.

### TRIAL BY FIRE

This is my first letter to be published in the Town Report and writing this is more intimidating than coordinating the 75 firefighters needed to burn down the Seamans House. The 2007 calendar year was a very busy one for the New London Fire Department with a new record of 638 total calls, 41 more than 2005. Once again, there is a direct correlation relating the high number of calls with inclement weather events and an increasing population. The spring Nor-Easter kept the department especially busy pumping basements, closing roads and evacuating citizens, responding to multiple fire alarm activations from power related issues, and responding to carbon monoxide calls.

As most people know, Peter Stanley retired in May and the chief's part-time position was expanded to full-time. I was promoted to the full-time chief and the Board of Firewards hired Karl Bjorklund to fill the new full-time line firefighter position. One of Karl's main duties is making sure that all apparatus will be ready to go at a moment's notice. This includes filling tanks with gas, checking air packs and radio batteries, starting all gas powered equipment and testing pumps on a weekly basis. Karl is also responsible for maintaining the firehouse, training personnel, and completing NFRIS reports (National Fire Reporting Incident System), which is a federal requirement.

Completing accurate reports is vital to the Department's success in receiving state and federal grant monies. Within the last four years, the Department has been awarded \$49,000 for a state-of-the-art automatic air filling station used to fill our SCBA cylinders as well as a mobile air trailer; \$29,000 was awarded for personal protective equipment; \$10,000 for a thermal imaging camera; and over \$62,000 for various radio equipment. We currently have a pending application for a fire extinguisher training simulator. One of my goals as chief is to continue to apply for and take advantage of grants as they become available in order to limit the funding that is requested from you, the tax payers.

Recently, the Fire Department acquired a 16-foot inflatable boat with a 40hp outboard engine to enhance our water rescue capabilities. This \$25,500 boat was gifted to the Firefighters Association by an anonymous donor. In the past we have

relied on private citizens around the five major bodies of water in town to supply a water craft in order to perform rescues or provide assistance when needed. Now, we are able to trailer our versatile rescue boat as soon as the call for service is received regardless of the time of year. Thanks to all who have donated boats or offered theirs for our use in the past.

October 2007 was another successful Fire Prevention month. Over 500 children, from pre-schoolers to 5th graders, attended classes at the Fire Department. This year's theme was "Test your smoke alarms." Smoke detectors should be installed in every level of your house and a detector should be installed inside and outside of every bedroom. Smoke detectors are crucial for the early notification of fire, especially at night when people are sleeping and unaware of any problems that might occur.



Using inflatable boat donated to the Fire Department, firefighters Brian Campbell (seated) and Ethan Ballin (standing) conduct water search & rescue training with Eli and his trainer Donna Larson of New England K-9 Search & Rescue.

If you attended the live fire training at Colby Sawyer College's Seamans House in January 2008, you would have seen how quickly fire develops and spreads. In addition to our Department, this drill included the towns of Sutton, Sunapee, Springfield, Newbury, and Wilmot. This was invaluable training that benefited all of the mutual aid towns. Members were able to incorporate what they learned in classrooms and apply it during the practical evolutions. Area firefighters had hands-on training in forcible entry, ventilation, hose & streams, ladders, fire behavior, search & rescue and combined operations. This was a win-win situation in that those mutual aid towns were able to train with us, and we needed all of them in order to successfully burn a building of that size while protecting the rest of the surrounding exposures. In closing, the members of the New London Fire Department and I wish to express our appreciation for your continued good will. We are not only thankful for your financial support, but for your smiles, waves, and good words when we are out and about.

Finally, this is my opportunity to formally thank the members of the Fire Department for helping make my transition to the Chief's position a smooth one and for supporting me as I stepped into this role. The Town of New London is very lucky to have these dedicated men and women who are willing to belong to this vital organization.

As always if you have any fire safety questions or concerns, stop by or call the firehouse at 526-6073.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Lyon, Fire Chief

Fire Department Calls	2007	2006	2005	2004
Alarm Response	45	25	47	25
Bomb Threat	1	0	0	1
Brush Fire	5	5	8	2
Carbon Monoxide Detector	21	13	14	14
Chimney Fire	3	4	5	6
DHART Transfer	1	0	1	0
Electrical Fire	8	9	7	5
Extrication	6	2	5	1
False Alarm	107	65	93	91
Flood Control	18	17	22	3
Furnace Malfunction	2	1	8	10
Gas Leak/LP	17	15	15	8
Hazardous Condition (BIO)	0	0	2	0
Hazardous Material Spill	11	5	7	7
Illegal Burn	8	8	11	11
Kitchen Fire	2	0	7	5
Medical Assist	41	31	32	24
Mutual Aid – Structure Fire	21	6	21	12
Mutual Aid - Other	10	10	3	7
Public Assistance	52	43	49	39
Rescue	7	5	5	4
Search	0	1	2	0
Smoke Report	26	21	15	17
Sprinkler Malfunction	6	1	10	10
Structure Fire	6	1	7	2
Vehicle Accident	136	90	136	106
Vehicle Fire	9	6	13	4
Wire Down – tree on the line	32	59	26	18
Wood Stove Malfunction	0	2	0	2
Other	38	18	21	21
TOTAL	638	463	597	457

# **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

In 2007, the New London Recreation Department became an award winning department with recognition from the New Hampshire Parks and Recreation Association. The department was the recipient of the Shelnutt Perkins Programming Excellence Award for the "Dinner with Jack Frost" progressive ski dinner. The event featured 200 people from our region that braved the coldest night of the 2007 winter. Participants snowshoed from campfire to campfire enjoying a fabulous meal prepared by many local establishments here in New London. The event has now turned into the "Cabin Fever "series in our region collaborating with three other local recreation departments.

This event really kicked off a great and busy year for the department. New programming included a new revamped and state certified Summer Camp Program and a very popular summer middle school program that included Newport and Sunapee Recreation Departments. There were a total of 10 different offerings that traveled all over New England.

Developing life long skills remains the main focus of the New London Recreation Department and is reflected in new offerings this year. We offered two week long sailing and kayaking programs; both classes sold out and we look forward to adding more classes in 2008. We introduced a new summer swim team that really got a lot of our local youth involved with 80 participants in its first year, thanks to the vision of local parents and coaches. We also were able to integrate a running program within the swim team curriculum, and next summer a youth triathlon training program is in the works.

Elkins and Bucklin beaches saw their busiest swim programs to date. The programs taught 195 children from our region various levels of the American Red Cross swim programs. Thank you to all of the amazing beach staff -- we are lucky to have such talented instructors that make our swim classes so successful!

A large majority of the fall was spent planning and clearing a trail system that links the New London Middle School with Morgan Hill Road via Kidder/Cleveland, Spring Ledge Farm and Messer properties. The kick off of this trail system was this winter for free snowshoeing and XC skiing. The trails are seeing a lot of activity due to the fabulous snow conditions that we experienced this winter. We look to improve these trails in the spring for an excellent in town recreation corridor.

The Bob Andrews Memorial Ice Rink has been very busy. We have been blessed with excellent temperatures to keep a nice sheet of ice for the town. A new learn-to-skate program is going to be launched this winter.

The New London Recreation Department has also spearheaded efforts to start a new trail running series next year. The Western New Hampshire Trail Running Series will include five races in five different towns in the region. The series finale will take place in New London in October of 2008.

During the fall semester a Colby-Sawyer Sports Management class focused on the New London Recreation Department to develop a Master Plan for the department. A New London Recreation Survey was launched in August/September and over 400 recreation users in the region responded to the survey giving the class and the department some very useful data for the future. Stay tuned for more on this project!

Collaboration with Colby-Sawyer College, the Outing Club, Newport Recreation, Sunapee Recreation, Lebanon Recreation, Eastman Recreation, Spring Ledge Farm, New London Conservation Commission, New London Hospital, Jack's of New London, Millstone, Flying Goose, New London Inn, Pizza Chef, Arctic Dreams, Peter Christians, Kearsarge Regional School District, Pine Hill Ski Area, Village Sports and many other local establishments are what allows our department to offer such diverse programming and we thank you!

Our website traffic continued to increase both in distribution of our newsletter and the number of hits. We continue to have active community participation and encourage residents to visit our website at: <u>www.nlrec.com</u>.

I would like to thank the Recreation Commission and all the great residents and volunteers of the region for the support that they have extended the Recreation Department during the 2007 year.

We always welcome your comments and suggestions on any matter at 526-6401, or by email at: recreation@nl-nh.com.

Respectfully submitted, Chad Denning Recreation Director

# **JOINT LOSS/WELLNESS COMMITTEE**

2007 was a year of transition for the New London Joint Loss Management Committee. Following suit with many towns, New London has now become a Joint Loss/Wellness Committee, focusing equally on health awareness as well as safety.

In January, I was elected chair and our committee began collaborating on ways to revitalize our group. An idea that made a lot of sense was the implementation of an employee newsletter, which I began working on in January and have published on a quarterly basis. The newsletter has provided the committee with great ways to emphasize the importance of health and safety, and in addition, has provided an opportunity for employees to get to know one another through an "employee spotlight" section. I am very proud of the committee's employee newsletters and would like to thank those who have offered ideas on making it better each and every time.

In the hopes of coming up with even more ways to improve our Joint Loss/Wellness Committee, in May I joined the Town's Finance Officer and fellow committee member Carol Fraley at a workshop offered through the Local Government Center that focused incorporating wellness into municipal safety committees. This session proved invaluable as it not only provided suggestions for keeping safety in mind, but also shared great ideas on emphasizing to employees the importance of staying healthy at work and at home. The workshop sparked the idea to hold an employee health challenge that our Recreation Director and committee member Chad Denning happily spear-headed. Chad worked closely with New London Hospital and arranged to have a doctor work with the employees throughout the challenge to evaluate improvement in health, all at no cost to the Town or the participants. The challenge took place for one month and the top three winners with the most overall improved health were awarded gift certificates to Eastern Mountain Sports. Ten employees participated in the challenge and all ten saw an overall improvement in their health at the conclusion of the challenge. Thank you to Chad Denning and New London Hospital for this health-promoting program!

On the more standardized side of things, the committee has maintained its regular quarterly meeting schedule, conducted annual safety inspections of town facilities, and reviewed worker's compensation claims in the hopes of preventing similar future claims. 2007 was an uneventful year with regard to safety mishaps and for that, the committee is grateful.

Many thanks go out to my fellow Joint Loss/Wellness Committee members for helping to make 2007 a great year. We will continue to brainstorm on ways to improve safety and wellness for the employees of New London and will do our best to keep our town a safe place to work and live.

Respectfully submitted, Amy A. Rankíns, Chair

### **CEMETERY COMMISSION**

There are three active cemeteries in the Town of New London: Elkins, Old Main Street and West Part. There are lots available in each for the current price of \$300/grave. The cemeteries are well maintained under the direction of the Public Works Director Richard Lee, the Public Works personnel, and sexton John Wiltshire.

Improvement projects have included repair of the old tomb and replacement of part of the fence in Old Main Street. The remainder of the fence is scheduled to be done over the next three years. Expansion of West Part Cemetery is planned starting this winter with hopes of being completed in the summer of 2008.

An appropriate piece of property for a new cemetery is still welcome. What a wonderful gift it would be to the Town and fellow citizens!

Respectfully submitted, Thomas Ginter Charles Hafner Marion Chadwick Hafner

# TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Thanks to the generous support we received at last year's Town Meeting, the Library undertook a construction project that featured new roofing and mechanical upgrades, including boilers and air conditioning. As this work progressed we uncovered additional issues, and with the help of donations, notably a large bequest from the Eleanor McKay Norris Trust, we were able to defray expenses.

More work lies ahead to prepare our facility for the future and the Library's Board of Trustees is gathering information to prioritize needs. Thank you to Bob Bowers, Charlie Dean, Nancy Donnelly, Emily Jones, Liz Meller, Judy Wallace, and Lisa Ensign Wood for tackling our capital improvements with diligence and humor.

Of particular note in 2007 is the outstanding job performance of our Head of Youth Services, Kathy Tracy, whom we have nominated for the New Hampshire Children's Librarian of the Year Award. Over the past few years Kathy has developed an outstanding collection of children's literature supported by innovative programs. Recently Kathy spearheaded the renovation of the children's area complete with new carpeting, fresh paint and systems for better air quality. In 2008 her department offers staffing on Saturdays for children and their families.

The Library welcomed four new staff members in 2007. Meghan Clark McDaniel, our Head of Adult Services, leads the way in programming, collection maintenance, interlibrary loan and website design. Judy Fech and Caren Swanson exemplify public service at the circulation desk. And Pauline Lizotte, a previous contributor to the Summer Reading Program, now assists in the children's area year-round. We are so pleased that they have joined our team!

Our Library would be a shadow of itself, if not for our amazing volunteers. They graciously contribute their time to deliver books to the homebound, assist with interlibrary loan, annotate lists of new materials, process magazines, complete carpentry projects, tidy the shelves, cover books, file newspapers, weed the front walkway, repair books and audiovisual materials, greet patrons at the desk, coordinate our network of generous Friends, manage our ongoing book sale, and beautify the Community Garden.

Tracy Memorial Library is a treasure in the community and its value far surpasses dollars and cents. However, consider that our patrons checked out books and movies 80,000 times in 2007, and if they had purchased each item, the cost would have exceeded \$1.5 million. Similar calculations could be made for the entertainment dollars saved by patrons who attend our programs (author visits, story times, Great Decisions lectures, movie screenings, book groups, etc.) and for money saved by people who use our public access computers.

In the coming years, our Library will continue to prioritize education and lifelong learning as well as personal and social enrichment. I am sincerely grateful to the New London officials and citizens who enable us to provide excellent service. See you at the Library!

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Licks

Library Director

	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Resident adults	2,729	2,519	2,668	2,823	2,726	2,672
Resident youth	712	688	716	798	818	623
Non-resident adults	527	298	332	371	379	466
Non-resident youth	447	419	461	492	492	486
Short-term	364					
Total patrons	4,779	4,780	4,985	5,101	4,922	4,529

#### Annual Number of Library Patrons by Type

#### Annual Circulation Statistics by Material Type

	Adult Fiction	Adult Non-Fiction	Youth Fiction	Youth Non-Fiction	Magazines	Audio-books	Movies	Total
2007	24,852	9,390	17,723	3,678	2,787	8,059	18,022	84,511

# Tracy Library Construction Zone

At left: Scaffolding is set up for the removal of the flat roof and installation of new high slope roof.

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At right: Gena Edmunds and students pack up books in anticipation of new carpeting and fresh paint in the Children's Department.

At left: Old boilers are removed to make way for high efficiency units.

### **NEW LONDON GARDEN CLUB**

The New London Garden Club has been an active service organization since its founding in 1928. At that time the purpose of the 24 club members was to maintain the garden at Tracy Library designed by the renowned landscape architectural firm of the Olmsted brothers. In the 79 years since, the membership of the club has expanded to include 130 active participants, and the public gardens tended by its members now total 15. These pocket gardens, created and maintained by the Garden Club, extend from Crockett's Corner to the Transfer Station and include the perennial and herb gardens at the Historical Society, Norris Corner, the intersection of Old Main Street, Pleasant Street and Knight's Hill Road, Bucklin Beach, and the Elkins Post Office and Beach, as well as Whipple Hall and the Academy Building, the Bandstand and the Sargent stone on the Town Common, the Information Booth, the Fire Station, the New London Post Office, the Elementary and Middle schools and the Superintendent's Building. Over 100 Club volunteers work on these gardens. Many of the members also assist in tending the gardens at the Fells and the Community Garden at Tracy Library.

The New London Garden Club creates the wreaths and swags displayed on local public buildings during the holiday season and weekly flower arrangements at New London Hospital. The Garden Club also awards scholarships annually to students at the University of New Hampshire College of Life Sciences and Agriculture and the Thompson School of Applied Science. The annual public program this year was a Standard Flower Show held in Whipple Hall. In addition to the design classes, members displayed horticultural samples, an educational exhibit on New London's Cricenti Bog, and a step-by-step demonstration of creating a free style flower arrangement. Girl Scout Troops 2579 and 2121 exhibited in the Show as well.

This year the Garden Club held its 41st Annual Antique Show on the Town Common, one of the few remaining outdoor shows in New England. The proceeds from the Show support the variety of community service projects undertaken by the Garden Club.

The Club meets monthly for programs related to gardening, flower arranging, nature and conservation. While the membership is limited to 150 active members, anyone interested in supporting the activities of the club is welcome to join as membership openings occur. An informational brochure about the Garden Club including a map locating the public gardens is available at the information Booth as well as Tracy Library. All requests for information should be addressed to PO Box 1772, New London, NH 03257.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Bergquíst Vírgínía Callahan Co-Presidents, New London Garden Club

# **COMMUNITY GARDEN AT TRACY LIBRARY**

The garden at the library, known for its beauty by residents and visitors, is always a favorite place for quiet reading, reading aloud to a child and strolling to look at the ever-changing colors and blooms. Garden strolling in 2008 will include reading the new plant labels—one for every variety of plant and shrub in the garden.

We were saddened this year by the death of Robert Anthonyson, who with his family gave the Gerakaris fountain in memory of his wife Aenid Dottin Anthonyson. And by the death of Bob Wallace whose grandmother, Jane Tracy, gave the library and the garden to the town. Both families have been devoted supporters of the garden and Bob Wallace's wife Janis has volunteered in the library garden since 1955.

Guests at the annual garden party on June 24<sup>th</sup> were entertained by speaker Edie Clark, Yankee Magazine essayist and author of The View from Mary's Farm. Sue Ellen Weed-Parkes, familiar to many at Spring Ledge Farm, directed the garden volunteers as she worked with them every Monday morning from mid-April to mid-November keeping the garden planted, trimmed, pruned and fed. The Community Garden Committee raised funds to maintain the garden, gave the annual garden party with the help of the garden volunteers, prepared the garden budget and kept all lists and records. The committee is most grateful to the town and to the individual donors who supported the garden and its work so generously in 2007.

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Scrap Metal	57 tons	Conserved 56,598 pounds of coal!
Steel	19,040 pounds	Conserved enough energy to run a 60-watt light bulb for 495,040 hours

<u>Wastewater Division</u>: This division was somewhat busy this year. We contracted with a company to conduct an inflow study on all the lines in town. This turned out to be approximately 98,000 feet. They first conducted smoke tests, and then looked for sump pumps hooked up to the wastewater lines and finally they dye-tested to check roof drains and catch basins. We have started to repair items that were found to need it in the testing. We did find some problems in each one of the different test cycles. We had to repair some pumps this past year and we had to rebuild some of the manholes on our force main in Sunapee due to road construction. When we conducted the testing it became very clear we didn't have a good map of the entire system in one place. What we had was multiple maps in different sizes that wouldn't match up. So we have shared the cost of software with the Highway Division to do GPS locations, manhole condition and pipe size so when we get done we will have a complete map of the system, its location and condition. This map will also have all the private systems such as Hilltop, Fenwood, and Highland Ridge. We were fortunate to have a student from Colby-Sawyer College doing his senior project, collecting all of this data and working to get it into the maps. The Highway Division will also be able to use the software to map out locations of storm drainage catch basins, culvert locations and sign locations.

<u>Cemetery Division</u>: We have been busy in this division also this year. John Wiltshire came back in Old Main Street this year. We were down one person in Elkins some of the summer. We continue to mow, trim, fix stones and trim shrubs along with spread loam, seed and pick up leaves. This fall we took out the old fence along side of Bog Road at Old Main Street and we had a new vinyl fence installed. The new fence looks very good and if you didn't know you would think it is wood. The old fence was going to need a lot of repairs and painting again which was going to cost a lot of money. Please take a look and see if you like it we may want to continue with this type of replacement as the rest of the fence may need it. It is planned in 2008 to clear the next section of land at the West Part Cemetery and have the stumps removed. You may have noticed this cemetery is getting closer to being full.

As you can see we have had a very busy year in all the different divisions. We would like to thank the residents, Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for providing us with the funds and equipment to be able to do all that we do during the year. I would also like to thank the New London Town Office staff, Police Department, Fire Department, Recreation Department and Water Department for all the help they provide us during the year. It is great to see how we work together to accomplish many things for the Town of New London.

I also want to give the staff of the Public Works Department a BIG THANK YOU. Without a very dedicated and professional staff we would not get as much done. These people put in long hard hours when it storms during the year. We would like to ask people to please drive with caution during the winter, clean your windows and give plow trucks as much room as possible. During the summer please respect work zones and drive slowly. Our jobs make us work in the road; please keep us safe.

Respectfully Submitted, *Ríchard E. Lee* Public Works Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Not all of our material is marketed through NRRA, which is the primary reason for any discrepancy between our figures and NRRA's figures.

### TRIAL BY FIRE

This is my first letter to be published in the Town Report and writing this is more intimidating than coordinating the 75 firefighters needed to burn down the Seamans House. The 2007 calendar year was a very busy one for the New London Fire Department with a new record of 638 total calls, 41 more than 2005. Once again, there is a direct correlation relating the high number of calls with inclement weather events and an increasing population. The spring Nor-Easter kept the department especially busy pumping basements, closing roads and evacuating citizens, responding to multiple fire alarm activations from power related issues, and responding to carbon monoxide calls.

As most people know, Peter Stanley retired in May and the chief's part-time position was expanded to full-time. I was promoted to the full-time chief and the Board of Firewards hired Karl Bjorklund to fill the new full-time line firefighter position. One of Karl's main duties is making sure that all apparatus will be ready to go at a moment's notice. This includes filling tanks with gas, checking air packs and radio batteries, starting all gas powered equipment and testing pumps on a weekly basis. Karl is also responsible for maintaining the firehouse, training personnel, and completing NFRIS reports (National Fire Reporting Incident System), which is a federal requirement.

Completing accurate reports is vital to the Department's success in receiving state and federal grant monies. Within the last four years, the Department has been awarded \$49,000 for a state-of-the-art automatic air filling station used to fill our SCBA cylinders as well as a mobile air trailer; \$29,000 was awarded for personal protective equipment; \$10,000 for a thermal imaging camera; and over \$62,000 for various radio equipment. We currently have a pending application for a fire extinguisher training simulator. One of my goals as chief is to continue to apply for and take advantage of grants as they become available in order to limit the funding that is requested from you, the tax payers.

Recently, the Fire Department acquired a 16-foot inflatable boat with a 40hp outboard engine to enhance our water rescue capabilities. This \$25,500 boat was gifted to the Firefighters Association by an anonymous donor. In the past we have

relied on private citizens around the five major bodies of water in town to supply a water craft in order to perform rescues or provide assistance when needed. Now, we are able to trailer our versatile rescue boat as soon as the call for service is received regardless of the time of year. Thanks to all who have donated boats or offered theirs for our use in the past.

October 2007 was another successful Fire Prevention month. Over 500 children, from pre-schoolers to 5th graders, attended classes at the Fire Department. This year's theme was "Test your smoke alarms." Smoke detectors should be installed in every level of your house and a detector should be installed inside and outside of every bedroom. Smoke detectors are crucial for the early notification of fire, especially at night when people are sleeping and unaware of any problems that might occur.



Using inflatable boat donated to the Fire Department, firefighters Brian Campbell (seated) and Ethan Ballin (standing) conduct water search & rescue training with Eli and his trainer Donna Larson of New England K-9 Search & Rescue.

If you attended the live fire training at Colby Sawyer College's Seamans House in January 2008, you would have seen how quickly fire develops and spreads. In addition to our Department, this drill included the towns of Sutton, Sunapee, Springfield, Newbury, and Wilmot. This was invaluable training that benefited all of the mutual aid towns. Members were able to incorporate what they learned in classrooms and apply it during the practical evolutions. Area firefighters had hands-on training in forcible entry, ventilation, hose & streams, ladders, fire behavior, search & rescue and combined operations. This was a win-win situation in that those mutual aid towns were able to train with us, and we needed all of them in order to successfully burn a building of that size while protecting the rest of the surrounding exposures. In closing, the members of the New London Fire Department and I wish to express our appreciation for your continued good will. We are not only thankful for your financial support, but for your smiles, waves, and good words when we are out and about.

Finally, this is my opportunity to formally thank the members of the Fire Department for helping make my transition to the Chief's position a smooth one and for supporting me as I stepped into this role. The Town of New London is very lucky to have these dedicated men and women who are willing to belong to this vital organization.

As always if you have any fire safety questions or concerns, stop by or call the firehouse at 526-6073.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Lyon, Fire Chief

Fire Department Calls	2007	2006	2005	2004
Alarm Response	45	25	47	25
Bomb Threat	1	0	0	1
Brush Fire	5	5	8	2
Carbon Monoxide Detector	21	13	14	14
Chimney Fire	3	4	5	6
DHART Transfer	1	0	1	0
Electrical Fire	8	9	7	5
Extrication	6	2	5	1
False Alarm	107	65	93	91
Flood Control	18	17	22	3
Furnace Malfunction	2	1	8	10
Gas Leak/LP	17	15	15	8
Hazardous Condition (BIO)	0	0	2	0
Hazardous Material Spill	11	5	7	7
Illegal Burn	8	8	11	11
Kitchen Fire	2	0	7	5
Medical Assist	41	31	32	24
Mutual Aid – Structure Fire	21	6	21	12
Mutual Aid - Other	10	10	3	7
Public Assistance	52	43	49	39
Rescue	7	5	5	4
Search	0	1	2	0
Smoke Report	26	21	15	17
Sprinkler Malfunction	6	1	10	10
Structure Fire	6	1	7	2
Vehicle Accident	136	90	136	106
Vehicle Fire	9	6	13	4
Wire Down – tree on the line	32	59	26	18
Wood Stove Malfunction	0	2	0	2
Other	38	18	21	21
TOTAL	638	463	597	457

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

In 2007, the New London Recreation Department became an award winning department with recognition from the New Hampshire Parks and Recreation Association. The department was the recipient of the Shelnutt Perkins Programming Excellence Award for the "Dinner with Jack Frost" progressive ski dinner. The event featured 200 people from our region that braved the coldest night of the 2007 winter. Participants snowshoed from campfire to campfire enjoying a fabulous meal prepared by many local establishments here in New London. The event has now turned into the "Cabin Fever "series in our region collaborating with three other local recreation departments.

This event really kicked off a great and busy year for the department. New programming included a new revamped and state certified Summer Camp Program and a very popular summer middle school program that included Newport and Sunapee Recreation Departments. There were a total of 10 different offerings that traveled all over New England.

Developing life long skills remains the main focus of the New London Recreation Department and is reflected in new offerings this year. We offered two week long sailing and kayaking programs; both classes sold out and we look forward to adding more classes in 2008. We introduced a new summer swim team that really got a lot of our local youth involved with 80 participants in its first year, thanks to the vision of local parents and coaches. We also were able to integrate a running program within the swim team curriculum, and next summer a youth triathlon training program is in the works.

Elkins and Bucklin beaches saw their busiest swim programs to date. The programs taught 195 children from our region various levels of the American Red Cross swim programs. Thank you to all of the amazing beach staff -- we are lucky to have such talented instructors that make our swim classes so successful!

A large majority of the fall was spent planning and clearing a trail system that links the New London Middle School with Morgan Hill Road via Kidder/Cleveland, Spring Ledge Farm and Messer properties. The kick off of this trail system was this winter for free snowshoeing and XC skiing. The trails are seeing a lot of activity due to the fabulous snow conditions that we experienced this winter. We look to improve these trails in the spring for an excellent in town recreation corridor.

The Bob Andrews Memorial Ice Rink has been very busy. We have been blessed with excellent temperatures to keep a nice sheet of ice for the town. A new learn-to-skate program is going to be launched this winter.

The New London Recreation Department has also spearheaded efforts to start a new trail running series next year. The Western New Hampshire Trail Running Series will include five races in five different towns in the region. The series finale will take place in New London in October of 2008.

During the fall semester a Colby-Sawyer Sports Management class focused on the New London Recreation Department to develop a Master Plan for the department. A New London Recreation Survey was launched in August/September and over 400 recreation users in the region responded to the survey giving the class and the department some very useful data for the future. Stay tuned for more on this project!

Collaboration with Colby-Sawyer College, the Outing Club, Newport Recreation, Sunapee Recreation, Lebanon Recreation, Eastman Recreation, Spring Ledge Farm, New London Conservation Commission, New London Hospital, Jack's of New London, Millstone, Flying Goose, New London Inn, Pizza Chef, Arctic Dreams, Peter Christians, Kearsarge Regional School District, Pine Hill Ski Area, Village Sports and many other local establishments are what allows our department to offer such diverse programming and we thank you!

Our website traffic continued to increase both in distribution of our newsletter and the number of hits. We continue to have active community participation and encourage residents to visit our website at: <u>www.nlrec.com</u>.

I would like to thank the Recreation Commission and all the great residents and volunteers of the region for the support that they have extended the Recreation Department during the 2007 year.

We always welcome your comments and suggestions on any matter at 526-6401, or by email at: recreation@nl-nh.com.

Respectfully submitted, Chad Denning Recreation Director

### JOINT LOSS/WELLNESS COMMITTEE

2007 was a year of transition for the New London Joint Loss Management Committee. Following suit with many towns, New London has now become a Joint Loss/Wellness Committee, focusing equally on health awareness as well as safety.

In January, I was elected chair and our committee began collaborating on ways to revitalize our group. An idea that made a lot of sense was the implementation of an employee newsletter, which I began working on in January and have published on a quarterly basis. The newsletter has provided the committee with great ways to emphasize the importance of health and safety, and in addition, has provided an opportunity for employees to get to know one another through an "employee spotlight" section. I am very proud of the committee's employee newsletters and would like to thank those who have offered ideas on making it better each and every time.

In the hopes of coming up with even more ways to improve our Joint Loss/Wellness Committee, in May I joined the Town's Finance Officer and fellow committee member Carol Fraley at a workshop offered through the Local Government Center that focused incorporating wellness into municipal safety committees. This session proved invaluable as it not only provided suggestions for keeping safety in mind, but also shared great ideas on emphasizing to employees the importance of staying healthy at work and at home. The workshop sparked the idea to hold an employee health challenge that our Recreation Director and committee member Chad Denning happily spear-headed. Chad worked closely with New London Hospital and arranged to have a doctor work with the employees throughout the challenge to evaluate improvement in health, all at no cost to the Town or the participants. The challenge took place for one month and the top three winners with the most overall improved health were awarded gift certificates to Eastern Mountain Sports. Ten employees participated in the challenge and all ten saw an overall improvement in their health at the conclusion of the challenge. Thank you to Chad Denning and New London Hospital for this health-promoting program!

On the more standardized side of things, the committee has maintained its regular quarterly meeting schedule, conducted annual safety inspections of town facilities, and reviewed worker's compensation claims in the hopes of preventing similar future claims. 2007 was an uneventful year with regard to safety mishaps and for that, the committee is grateful.

Many thanks go out to my fellow Joint Loss/Wellness Committee members for helping to make 2007 a great year. We will continue to brainstorm on ways to improve safety and wellness for the employees of New London and will do our best to keep our town a safe place to work and live.

Respectfully submitted, Amy A. Rankíns, Chair

### **CEMETERY COMMISSION**

There are three active cemeteries in the Town of New London: Elkins, Old Main Street and West Part. There are lots available in each for the current price of \$300/grave. The cemeteries are well maintained under the direction of the Public Works Director Richard Lee, the Public Works personnel, and sexton John Wiltshire.

Improvement projects have included repair of the old tomb and replacement of part of the fence in Old Main Street. The remainder of the fence is scheduled to be done over the next three years. Expansion of West Part Cemetery is planned starting this winter with hopes of being completed in the summer of 2008.

An appropriate piece of property for a new cemetery is still welcome. What a wonderful gift it would be to the Town and fellow citizens!

Respectfully submitted, Thomas Ginter Charles Hafner Marion Chadwick Hafner

### **TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Thanks to the generous support we received at last year's Town Meeting, the Library undertook a construction project that featured new roofing and mechanical upgrades, including boilers and air conditioning. As this work progressed we uncovered additional issues, and with the help of donations, notably a large bequest from the Eleanor McKay Norris Trust, we were able to defray expenses.

More work lies ahead to prepare our facility for the future and the Library's Board of Trustees is gathering information to prioritize needs. Thank you to Bob Bowers, Charlie Dean, Nancy Donnelly, Emily Jones, Liz Meller, Judy Wallace, and Lisa Ensign Wood for tackling our capital improvements with diligence and humor.

Of particular note in 2007 is the outstanding job performance of our Head of Youth Services, Kathy Tracy, whom we have nominated for the New Hampshire Children's Librarian of the Year Award. Over the past few years Kathy has developed an outstanding collection of children's literature supported by innovative programs. Recently Kathy spearheaded the renovation of the children's area complete with new carpeting, fresh paint and systems for better air quality. In 2008 her department offers staffing on Saturdays for children and their families.

The Library welcomed four new staff members in 2007. Meghan Clark McDaniel, our Head of Adult Services, leads the way in programming, collection maintenance, interlibrary loan and website design. Judy Fech and Caren Swanson exemplify public service at the circulation desk. And Pauline Lizotte, a previous contributor to the Summer Reading Program, now assists in the children's area year-round. We are so pleased that they have joined our team!

Our Library would be a shadow of itself, if not for our amazing volunteers. They graciously contribute their time to deliver books to the homebound, assist with interlibrary loan, annotate lists of new materials, process magazines, complete carpentry projects, tidy the shelves, cover books, file newspapers, weed the front walkway, repair books and audiovisual materials, greet patrons at the desk, coordinate our network of generous Friends, manage our ongoing book sale, and beautify the Community Garden.

Tracy Memorial Library is a treasure in the community and its value far surpasses dollars and cents. However, consider that our patrons checked out books and movies 80,000 times in 2007, and if they had purchased each item, the cost would have exceeded \$1.5 million. Similar calculations could be made for the entertainment dollars saved by patrons who attend our programs (author visits, story times, Great Decisions lectures, movie screenings, book groups, etc.) and for money saved by people who use our public access computers.

In the coming years, our Library will continue to prioritize education and lifelong learning as well as personal and social enrichment. I am sincerely grateful to the New London officials and citizens who enable us to provide excellent service. See you at the Library!

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Licks

Library Director

	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Resident adults	2,729	2,519	2,668	2,823	2,726	2,672
Resident youth	712	688	716	798	818	623
Non-resident adults	527	298	332	371	379	466
Non-resident youth	447	419	461	492	492	486
Short-term	364					
Total patrons	4,779	4,780	4,985	5,101	4,922	4,529

#### Annual Number of Library Patrons by Type

#### Annual Circulation Statistics by Material Type

	Adult Fiction	Adult Non-Fiction	Youth Fiction	Youth Non-Fiction	Magazines	Audio-books	Movies	Total
2007	24,852	9,390	17,723	3,678	2,787	8,059	18,022	84,511

# Tracy Library Construction Zone

At left: Scaffolding is set up for the removal of the flat roof and installation of new high slope roof.

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At right: Gena Edmunds and students pack up books in anticipation of new carpeting and fresh paint in the Children's Department.



At left: Old boilers are removed to make way for high efficiency units.

### **NEW LONDON GARDEN CLUB**

The New London Garden Club has been an active service organization since its founding in 1928. At that time the purpose of the 24 club members was to maintain the garden at Tracy Library designed by the renowned landscape architectural firm of the Olmsted brothers. In the 79 years since, the membership of the club has expanded to include 130 active participants, and the public gardens tended by its members now total 15. These pocket gardens, created and maintained by the Garden Club, extend from Crockett's Corner to the Transfer Station and include the perennial and herb gardens at the Historical Society, Norris Corner, the intersection of Old Main Street, Pleasant Street and Knight's Hill Road, Bucklin Beach, and the Elkins Post Office and Beach, as well as Whipple Hall and the Academy Building, the Bandstand and the Sargent stone on the Town Common, the Information Booth, the Fire Station, the New London Post Office, the Elementary and Middle schools and the Superintendent's Building. Over 100 Club volunteers work on these gardens. Many of the members also assist in tending the gardens at the Fells and the Community Garden at Tracy Library.

The New London Garden Club creates the wreaths and swags displayed on local public buildings during the holiday season and weekly flower arrangements at New London Hospital. The Garden Club also awards scholarships annually to students at the University of New Hampshire College of Life Sciences and Agriculture and the Thompson School of Applied Science. The annual public program this year was a Standard Flower Show held in Whipple Hall. In addition to the design classes, members displayed horticultural samples, an educational exhibit on New London's Cricenti Bog, and a step-by-step demonstration of creating a free style flower arrangement. Girl Scout Troops 2579 and 2121 exhibited in the Show as well.

This year the Garden Club held its 41st Annual Antique Show on the Town Common, one of the few remaining outdoor shows in New England. The proceeds from the Show support the variety of community service projects undertaken by the Garden Club.

The Club meets monthly for programs related to gardening, flower arranging, nature and conservation. While the membership is limited to 150 active members, anyone interested in supporting the activities of the club is welcome to join as membership openings occur. An informational brochure about the Garden Club including a map locating the public gardens is available at the information Booth as well as Tracy Library. All requests for information should be addressed to PO Box 1772, New London, NH 03257.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Bergquíst Vírgínía Callahan Co-Presidents, New London Garden Club

# **COMMUNITY GARDEN AT TRACY LIBRARY**

The garden at the library, known for its beauty by residents and visitors, is always a favorite place for quiet reading, reading aloud to a child and strolling to look at the ever-changing colors and blooms. Garden strolling in 2008 will include reading the new plant labels—one for every variety of plant and shrub in the garden.

We were saddened this year by the death of Robert Anthonyson, who with his family gave the Gerakaris fountain in memory of his wife Aenid Dottin Anthonyson. And by the death of Bob Wallace whose grandmother, Jane Tracy, gave the library and the garden to the town. Both families have been devoted supporters of the garden and Bob Wallace's wife Janis has volunteered in the library garden since 1955.

Guests at the annual garden party on June 24<sup>th</sup> were entertained by speaker Edie Clark, Yankee Magazine essayist and author of The View from Mary's Farm. Sue Ellen Weed-Parkes, familiar to many at Spring Ledge Farm, directed the garden volunteers as she worked with them every Monday morning from mid-April to mid-November keeping the garden planted, trimmed, pruned and fed. The Community Garden Committee raised funds to maintain the garden, gave the annual garden party with the help of the garden volunteers, prepared the garden budget and kept all lists and records. The committee is most grateful to the town and to the individual donors who supported the garden and its work so generously in 2007.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Little, Chair

# **HEALTH OFFICER**

Public Health is a 24 hour per day, 365 days per year activity. Whether it is prevention of food borne diseases; assurance of safe septic system construction; or preventing disease through immunizations, these and a myriad of other functions aim to maintain the highest possible level of wellness in our population. A great many of public health activities aimed at prevention of accidents and diseases are not recognized by the public and are therefore one of the first functions of government, at all levels, to suffer from lack of, or reduction of, financial support by our governing bodies. When the cycle of disease incidence is at a low point it is difficult to maintain a high level of financial support especially when it requires increasing taxes.

We are fortunate in this area of New Hampshire that in 2007 there was little evidence of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) or West Nile Virus (WNV) infection in mosquitoes, birds or animals (including humans). There was only one dead bird reported to me in New London this past year and no indication of virus infected mosquitoes. Because the incidence of these diseases was low in New Hampshire in 2007, we are faced with the question of whether to continue with our mosquito surveillance program. Despite the lack of finding infected mosquitoes, it is my hope that we can maintain at least a modest mosquito surveillance program to give us warning that the diseases are again threatening. In this regard, it is most important that the public continue to report dead birds so that we may detect increasing bird infections that presage human cases. Your health officer will pick up reported dead birds and submit them to the New Hampshire Public Health Laboratory for detection of EEE or WNV viruses.

As usual considerable attention is given by your health officer to the witnessing and recording of the geologic features of test pits upon which the design of septic systems is based. The primary reason for observing and recording test pit soil characteristics and reviewing septic system plans is to insure the reliability of plans reflecting actual conditions observed and to assure adherence to all local septic systems regulations.

It should be noted that parties planning to increase the number of bedrooms in a house or who are converting a seasonal residence to full time occupancy must have approved plans for a new larger septic system which must be built if the old system should fail under the new increased loading. Shown below is a summary of New London septic system oversight performed in 2007. The year's summaries for the most part are somewhat lower than recent years, which is a reflection of decreases in new housing construction in New London as well as the whole country.

Function	2007	2006	2005	2004
Sites visited	25	43	37	45
Test pits witnessed and recorded	35	59	34	55
Total number of plans reviewed before state submission	48	81	57	69
Systems in failure	3	4	2	2
Systems for new housing construction	13	19	27	40
Replacement systems	26	19	24	12
Septic loading increase (for expansion or increased use)	7	4	5	4

I also reviewed plans for two subdivisions, six "as built" systems, one privy and a number of revised plans.

I want to strongly urge all of our citizenry -- young, adult and elderly -- to maintain their highest possible level of immunity by vaccinations and revaccination (booster) shots to all of our common immunizable diseases. These include childhood disease inoculations, yearly age-appropriate flu vaccinations, age-appropriate pneumonia immunizations (especially for the elderly and the very young), the recommended meningitis vaccination (especially for college-bound youth), and the human papilloma virus (HPV) vaccination for all females from ages 11-12 up to age 26 for the prevention of cervical cancer. Immunization is not just a means of preventing disease in the immunized but is a civic duty to help prevent epidemics of disease in the whole population and to minimize the high economic and social costs of disease to our society.

Respectfully submitted, **Donald F. Bent,** Ph.D. Health Officer

# WELFARE OFFICER

As I write this report, I am finishing my second year as Welfare Officer for the Town of New London. I continue to rely on the guidance of Jessie Levine. Town Administrator, and Carol Fraley, Finance Officer, to ensure that the town's money is spent fairly and to make sure that all those seeking help are advised of and take advantage of all state, federal, and private assistance. In this regard, I have worked closely with the local church assistance programs as well as the Community Action Program.

Most often immediate help with a specific housing and or utility payment is sought. In only one case this year did we make multiple payments for rental assistance after negotiating reduced payment with the landlord. We also helped to pay for the installation of a new hot water heater in a client's home.

The budget for the town welfare for the year 2007 was \$6000. This was exceeded this by \$707. All those receiving assistance are residents of New London. Each is notified that they may be asked to reimburse the town when they financially able to do so. All assistance provided is in response to immediate demonstrable need. For this, your support is vital and greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, *Celeste Cavanaugh Cook* Welfare Officer

At right, Celeste Cook stands near the mossy cliff on the Cook Interpretive Trail off Whitney Brook Road (photo by David Cook).



### **KEARSARGE VALLEY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM**

Over the past number of years, the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program has been the focal point of social service delivery in this area, providing help when needed to the income eligible and elderly, as well as to the community at large. As perhaps you are aware, Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. generates funds through the mobilization of available federal, state and local monies. Support for this local area center is derived from a combination of federal appropriations and local tax dollars. This combination allows the Kearsarge Valley CAP to provide a variety of services to the residents of your community, from the development of programs that meet local needs, to outreach, referral and direct assistance.

The staff of the Kearsarge Valley Area Center wishes to thank you and the Town of New London for your support in the past. With your continued interest, we will be able to continue to provide needed services to members of our community.

Sincerely, *Laura Hall* Area Director, Kearsarge Valley Area Center

# **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

In 2007, efforts of the Carbon Coalition (<u>www.carboncoalition.org</u>) to bring global warming and energy conservation into the forefront of local politics did not go unnoticed by New London residents. Inspired by an Adventures in Learning course called "Climate and Civilization" taught by New London resident Jim Moore, and with the assistance of many other committed New London residents, I brought a petitioned warrant article to the 2007 Town Meeting that was passed with overwhelming approval. Similar warrant articles passed in 164 of New Hampshire's 234 municipalities, all calling for the towns to "go on record in support of effective actions by the President and Congress to address the issue of climate change," encouraging citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and asking Boards of Selectmen to appoint voluntary energy committees to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

Prior to the Energy Committee's formation, the Town of New London had already taken steps to conserve energy: it reduced the number of street lights by one-third and converted the remaining lights to high pressure sodium lamps, which are more energy efficient and cost less to operate; and it converted all Town diesel vehicles and equipment to biodiesel, joining a very small number of New Hampshire municipalities to do so.

The Energy Committee first met in July 2007 and its ten active members meet monthly. The Committee agreed that its mandate is two-pronged: 1) to make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for measures that could reduce and conserve the Town's energy and fuel consumption and save money; and 2) to educate citizens on energy-saving measures in the hopes of raising awareness and reducing New London's contribution to greenhouse gases. The Committee further separated these categories into two more: low-hanging fruit and long-term goals. *Importantly, the Committee also concluded that its members and the members of the community do not have to agree that there is a threat of global warming; regardless of one's position on the subject, the reduction of energy consumption is good for the environment and for our budgets.* 

In 2007, we made headway on the following projects:

- We established a popular display of reading material and other information at Tracy Library.
- We recommended an Idling Policy for Town vehicles that was passed by the Board of Selectmen on January 2, 2008.
- We organized a "Lights Out New London" event for February 21, 2008, asking New London residents to eliminate their use of electricity for 1.5 hours that evening (coinciding with the full moon and total lunar eclipse).
- We met with the Jordan Institute and plan to audit Town buildings to evaluate the need for energy-saving improvements such as insulation, windows, and lighting. Surprisingly, 48% of energy consumption (of which 30-50% is wasted) comes from buildings, while transportation and industrial sources account for only 25% each.
- We engaged a Colby-Sawyer student who will serve as an Energy Committee intern this spring while at the same time perform her Capstone project on evaluating the potential local use of wind turbines for alternative energy production.
- We encouraged the Planning Board to include energy consumption as a subject of critical importance in revising the Town's 10-year Master Plan;.
- We attended training sessions, workshops, and conferences related to global warming and energy conservation; and
- We asked the Argus Champion for the space to have a monthly column called "Energy Matters," which will feature a different Energy Committee member on a new subject every month.

For the coming years, the Energy Committee hopes to pursue the following endeavors:

- Develop envelope analysis for municipal and residential buildings.
- Sponsor educational lectures at Tracy Library on building envelopes and alternative energy sources for residential use.
- Monitor projects in New London and surrounding areas involving alternative energy to assess these approaches to energy savings. This includes geothermal heating and cooling, wood burning furnaces, and solar installations.
- Promote ways to conserve energy beyond compact fluorescent lights and participate in University of New Hampshire's Carbon Challenge.

- Investigate a plan to reduce energy consumption by 10% as advanced by the EPA and supported by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission, New Hampshire Sustainable Energy Association, and others.
- In consideration of interest shown by participants in the Master Planning meetings, we will:
  - 1. Explore creation of incentives on a state and local level for the installation of alternative energy sources and make recommendations; and
  - 2. Work with the Town administration, Colby-Sawyer College, and NH Office of Energy and Planning to develop regulations and requirements for the use and installation of residential wind turbines.

This is an ambitious but fascinating undertaking and there is always an opportunity for other interested volunteers to join. The emphasis at the moment is to conserve energy rather than promote emission control, which can really best be done at a national level. It is our hope that through new technologies we can come to rely on energy that is more sustainable and less polluting. By addressing the extravagant over-use on the one hand and improving our buildings' efficiency on the other hand, we will reduce the need for as much as 20-30% of our fuel requirements. At a time when the demand is increasing geometrically and the reserves are reaching a peak, the significance of this savings is astounding.

Respectfully submitted, Chet Reynolds, Chair Mark Vernon, Vice Chair

### **STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE**

At the end of 2006, 43 of the Town's 150 street lights were removed, and the remaining lights (with the exception of Main Street) were converted to high pressure sodium lamps with full cut-off lenses. The new lights direct the beam more downwards than outwards, thus reducing glare and light trespass. Due to improved energy efficiency, payback for the conversion will be four years. The Main Street lights were converted at the end of 2007, so all public street lights in New London are now energy efficient. The Street Light Committee has completed its mission but has advised on an ad hoc basis for occasional light removal or addition requests.

The committee thanks the citizens of New London for their feedback and funding approval for the conversion. We also thank the Board of Selectmen, Jessie Levine and the Public Works and Police Departments for their support and participation.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Vernon, Chair

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

In the course of this past year, the town received a gift of land from David and Celeste Cook. This land, off Whitney Brook Road, provides a variety of trails and also gives access to the Pleasant Lake High Trail and thence to the SRK Greenway. One of the finest features of our town's land conservation is that it provides continuity of access, both for humans and wildlife. We hope to be able to maintain this continuity while accepting the inevitable pressures of development.

We are hopeful of making another land acquisition in 2008. A warrant article calling for purchase of land adjacent to Clark Pond will be on the Town Meeting warrant. This 60-acre property is presently part of the Schultz property fronting Old Main Street. If Town Meeting agrees to the purchase, at the appraised valuation, this will give the town a combined property stretching from I-89 and Bog Road to the largely undeveloped shore of Clark Pond.

Work has continued on various aspects of maintenance of other town properties. Town Meeting in 2007 agreed to a land swap at Low Plain which rectifies a problem with free access from Mountain Road. Davis Path is now town property from beginning to end. On the Phillips Preserve, a small field had been created to provide improved wildlife habitat. The ground finally hardened enough to permit the field to be cleared of stumps, and seeding will take place shortly. All town conservation properties are monitored annually, thanks to Bob and Emma Crane.

Work continued throughout the year to maintain the town trail network, which this year included a significant improvement of the boardwalk at the Philbrick-Cricenti Bog. A major portion of the left loop was improved by placement of an elevated walk. In all, 450 feet of boardwalk were installed with the assistance of volunteers from many surrounding towns. This coming summer the right loop will be improved. Our new member, Bob Brown, is working with Dan Allen to manage our trail work. As always, we can use more volunteers to keep the trails in good condition.

Much of the Commission's work is concerned in one way or another with water: the effects of development on ground water, the flow of ground water and its consequences, and the quality of lake water. We monitor applications for crossing of wetlands and, where appropriate, make recommendations for changes. When the New London Hospital consulted us on its plans for expansion we suggested that this might be a suitable occasion for minimizing the area of impervious surface. The Hospital followed through on our suggestion and will be making use of porous concrete in the parking area.

The quality of lake water is an ongoing concern. The State has recognized this and is instituting more stringent rules for lakeshore work. Town ordinances will be modified to reflect these new rules. As part of our efforts we have representation on the Lake Sunapee Watershed Coalition. These links allow us to coordinate our efforts and processes with those of other towns.

Much of our work is governed by the parameters set out in the Town's Master Plan. The plan is now in process of being updated. As part of this task, we are creating a natural resource inventory of the town, beginning with vernal pools. All our members are active in developing the Master Plan, helping to make it a document that will guide the town in ensuring a healthy balance between necessary development and the preservation of the town's vital character.

The Commission meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 1:00 PM. For meeting minutes and further information on the work of the Commission, look at our website, <u>www.nl-nhcc.com</u>. This will also give you news of upcoming events, such as the spring and winter nature walks, which take place each year.

Respectfully submitted, Les Norman, Chair



Conservation Commission member Ruth White spotted this bobcat in her back yard off King Hill Road.

### **PLANNING BOARD**

The Planning Board completed the two-year project of rewriting the Town land use regulations in November 2007, a labor intensive job that was long past due. Beginning in January 2006, the Town Planner, Town departments and the Planning Board began rewriting the Site Plan Review Regulations and amending the Driveway Regulations and Subdivision Regulations, which last had major amendments in 1990, 1994 and 1994 respectively. Copies of the new regulations are available in hard copy in the Town Offices (at cost) or free on the Town website (www.nl-nh.com/permits).

In January 2007, the Planning Board adopted the new Driveway Regulations to regulate the design and construction of a driveway for its entire length, including provisions regarding sight distance, grade and width, erosion control, setbacks, base and surface and curves. The Public Works Director still issues the permits after review by the Fire Chief and Zoning Administrator. In January 2008, the Board of Selectmen increased the fee for new driveway permits from \$10 to \$50 to cover the cost of additional requirements and inspections.

In October 2007, the Planning Board adopted revised Subdivision Regulations. Among other things, the revisions emphasized innovative Low Impact Development ("LID") measures for managing stormwater runoff and designing erosion control measures to protect the town's invaluable surface waters and groundwater supplies. These progressive regulations received considerable attention from the state's environmental community, as well as New Hampshire Public Radio and other media. State legislation has been introduced to create a study commission for stormwater treatment. LID techniques are designed to maximize onsite stormwater infiltration to minimize runoff which can cause erosion, flooding and pollution. This is accomplished by using landscape features to treat stormwater at its source trying to mimic natural conditions. The many updates to the Subdivision Regulations include requiring preliminary subdivision applications for major subdivisions; outlining landscape design standards for stormwater treatment; adding a new section on environmental measures governing development of new lots in the shore land overlay district; adding a new section regarding building permit issuance; and improving the standard on scattered and premature subdivision development, impact fees and off-site improvements.

The Planning Board completely rewrote the Town's outdated Site Plan Review Regulations and adopted the new version in November 2007. Major changes include preliminary site plan review and post-approval requirements for multi-family residential and non-residential uses and standards for outdoor lighting, snow removal and storage, and stormwater drainage and erosion control.

The Planning Board addressed a wide variety of current planning activities during its 20 meetings in 2007, many of which required the review of final site plans for a number of different projects. The most significant site plan project was the expansion of the New London Hospital and reconstruction of a major portion of its campus. Hospital staff worked closely with Town departments, the Planning Board and interested citizens to develop acceptable plans. The Planning Board especially appreciated the Hospital's willingness to construct an employee parking lot with porous concrete, an LID technique that infiltrates and cleanses stormwater directly through the concrete onsite, recharging groundwater supplies and protecting adjacent wetlands that historically have not been buffered.

The Planning Board also reviewed final site plans for the following projects: an office addition to the commercial building on Pleasant Street purchased by Gavin Campbell; commercial parking lot, adding the New London Inn property to the town green and two projects for filling land.

During 2007, the Planning Board approved 20 new subdivision lots: two major subdivisions creating three lots and seven lots, and five minor subdivisions of two lots each.

The annual update of the Capital Improvement Program ("CIP") began a month earlier this year in June and ended in October with the Planning Board approving the updated plan for 2008 through 2017. The Planning Board once again appointed a CIP Committee to draft a report for its consideration. The Committee consisted of two Planning Board members, three Budget Committee members and one Selectman, as well as the Town Administrator, Finance Officer and Town Planner. The CIP Committee met with the Department Heads and, with the Town Planner assistance, it developed a draft CIP for the Planning Board's review and adoption. Upon adoption by the Planning Board, the CIP was submitted to the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen to use in developing annual budget. Copies of the CIP are available at the Town Office.

The Planning Board conducted in the series of public Master Plan Workshops this fall and winter to create a vision for the future growth and development of our community. These workshops were the initial step in updating the 1998 Master

Plan. The Planning Board will now craft, conduct and analyze a community survey. After gathering public input on the key growth-related issues, the Planning Board will update the chapters and associated recommendations from the 1998 Master Plan. This work will take place in the Board's monthly work sessions devoted to the Master Plan update, typically the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Town Offices. The agendas for the work sessions will be posted at the Town Offices and on the Town Website (www.nl-nh.com). Eventually, a draft updated Master Plan will be presented to the community in one or more public hearings. After incorporating the public comments, the Planning Board will adopt the updated Town Master Plan. Citizens are invited to participate in the Planning Board's sessions on chapters of interest, as well as the community survey. Please contact Ken McWilliams, Town Planner, or Jessie Levine, Town Administrator, to volunteer.

As usual, the planning year began and ended working proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. Zoning amendments presented at the public hearings in January 2008 for ballot vote at the 2008 Town Meeting are the end result of a planning process that began in September. The Planning Board selected, reviewed and revised draft amendments over a series of work sessions in the fall to present at the January public hearings. Many zoning amendments presented for ballot vote at the 2008 Town Meeting are "housekeeping" in nature intended to clarify the ordinance. The most significant amendments include permitting agriculture in all districts and instituting related restrictions regarding livestock; redefining the upper buffer limits for protected wetland tributaries; conforming town floodplain regulations to federal requirements; and conforming the Town's Shore Land Overlay District to comply with stricter provisions of to the state's revised Comprehensive Shore Land Protection Act.

The Planning Board greatly appreciates the continuing dependable and committed service provided by the staff including Jessie Levine, Town Administrator, Peter Stanley, Zoning Administrator, Judy Condict, Recording Secretary, and Ken McWilliams, Town Planner. The Planning Board also recognizes the valuable input from our professional and knowledgeable Department Heads. The Planning Board continues to be very thankful for assistance of the many people in the performance of its duties. Your participation, inquiries and insights are invaluable and most appreciated.

The Planning Board generally meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month as well as conducting noticed public meetings or work sessions throughout the year working on various Planning Board initiatives. As noted above, the Planning Board is reserving the meeting on the second Tuesday of each month for work sessions on the Master Plan. All of the Planning Board meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation and input in the process of guiding the future growth of our community.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen E. Ebel, Chair

# **ARCHIVES COMMITTEE**

The New London Archives committee is comprised of Vernon Barrett, Doris Cutter, Nancy Dutton, Hope Howard, Constance Granger, Robert MacMichael, Margaret Moreland, Constance Reece and Arrolyn Vernon. Arrolyn is in charge of maps and is making order out of chaos. She is interested in this so it is natural for her. Doris, Connie and I have been clipping obituaries of New Londoners or anyone who had a connection to New London. Each obituary is labeled with the full date and name of the newspaper it was clipped from. Doris keeps these obituaries in alphabetical order. They have been clipped from the Concord Monitor, Argus Champion and the Intertown Record. This process has been carried on for a number of years and has the making of a good collection. Soon we will copy these obituaries and put them into a notebook, as newspaper is known to dry out and become brittle. We must do this soon to preserve for future research.

Plenty of work to be done! You will find someone willing to show you around on Wednesday mornings between 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The New London Archives office is located on the lower level of the Town Offices (Old Academy Building).

Respectfully submitted, Margaret Moreland, Archivist

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment met 9 times during the year 2007. The following reflects a summary of the cases heard.

#### **January 29, 2007**

Hodan Properties, represented by Daniel Wolf for a variance to the terms of Article V §A of the New London Zoning Ordinance, in order to allow a commercial parking lot within the residential district. The property is located at 125 Newport Road (Tax Map 59, Lot 1) in the Commercial/R-1 zones. **Granted.** 

Barton Condominiums, represented by Benjamin Barton for a variance to the terms of Article XX, §B, 2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance, in order to remove an existing, non-conforming set of steps on the front of the building and add a new set of covered steps and landing that are more non-conforming. The property is located at 89 Main Street (Tax Map 73, Lot 56) in the R-1 zone. **Granted.** 

#### March 19, 2007

Jennifer Paul, represented Pelletieri Associates, Inc. for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, §E, 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to allow a proposed road to cross a wetland at the narrowest point, and to replace an existing culvert. The property is located at 9 & 192 Sunset Shores Road (Tax Map 91, Lot 8 & 14) in the R2 zone. **Granted.** 

Robert & Laurie Durkin for a variance to the terms of Article II, §5 of the New London Zoning Ordinance, in order to construct a cupola that exceeds the height limitation of 35'. **Granted.** 

#### April 9, 2007

New London Hospital for two variances to the terms of Article II, §5 and Article V, §A of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to construct a building that exceeds the height limitation of 35' and to allow parking in an R-1 zone. The property is located at 273 County Road (Tax Map 72, Lot 16 & 17) in the Hospital Institutional/R-1 zone. **Granted.** 

#### June 11, 2007

Harry M. Snow, represented by Blakeman Engineering for two special exceptions as permitted by Article XIII, §E. (1) and Article XIII, §E. (3) for the construction of two new driveways in a proposed 7-lot subdivision that cross intermittent streams and wetlands in 4 separate locations; and proposing to reduce the 100' wetland buffer of forested wetlands on a 41.4 acre parcel, thereby allowing a more orderly development of the parcel into seven lots. **Granted.** 

#### July 2, 2007

Paul & Joanne Lazdowski for a variance to the terms of Article V, §C,2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit a side yard less than what has been established by the primary dwelling. **Granted.** 

Alan & Priscilla West for a variance to the terms of Article V, §C,2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit a side yard less than 15 feet for an addition to the existing structure. **Denied.** 

#### August 20, 2007

Harry M. Snow, represented by Blakeman Engineering for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, §E. (1) of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the construction of a new driveway in an approved subdivision that will cross wetlands in two separate locations. The property is located at Wilder Lane (Tax Map 111, Lot 8) in the ARR zone. **Granted.** 

Robert Schoff for a variance to the terms of Article XX, §B,3,b of the New London **October 16, 2006:** Jesseman Associates P.C., represented Colby Sawyer College for a variance to the terms of Article XX §A-2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit the modification of the existing nonconforming cottage to add a partial second story and an unheated entryway on the first floor. The building is nonconforming because it has less side yard than is required by Article V, §C,2. The property is located at 1781 Little Sunapee Road (Tax Map 43, Lot 20) in the R-2 zone. **Granted.** 

#### September 17, 2007

Peter Moore for a variance to the terms of Article IX, §D, 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit the creation of a new lot in the Forest Conservation District with less than the 25 acre minimum lot size. The property is located at 719 & 750 Little Sunapee Road (Tax Map 33, Lot 15 & Map 21, Lot 1) in the R-2 and Forest Conservation zones. **Granted.** 

#### **October 1, 2007**

Townsend & Ann-Marie Thomas and John & Michaela McSheffrey for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, §E. (1) of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the construction of a new driveway crossing a stream in two separate locations and impacting an adjacent forested wetland. The property is located at 838 Route 103A (Tax Map 103, Lots 17, 18, and 20). Granted.

#### November 5, 2007

Walter & Rebecca Partridge for a variance to the terms of Article V, §C2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit a side yard less than the minimum requirement for a proposed garage. The property is located at 385 County Road (Tax Map 72, Lot 12). Granted.

Nancy Constable Stratton, represented by Gavin Campbell for a variance to the terms of Article XX, §B, 3, b of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit the substantial improvement of an existing, nonconforming home and demolition of a garage, with the reconstruction of the garage to include space above. The existing property is nonconforming because it has less than the required waterfront setback. The property is located at 471 Forest Acres Road (Tax Map 119, 15). Granted.

We thank Amy Rankins and Peter Stanley for their assistance in properly preparing applicants to come before the ZBA's and for coordinating the ZBA's activities. We also thank Sarah Denz for her excellent minutes of the ZBA meetings.

#### Respectfully submitted,

### William D. Green, Chair

# **NEW LONDON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The New London Historical Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of historical information, artifacts, and "live" programs to bring back this history. We are particularly proud of our fourth grade class day spent on our campus recreating a day in the 1800s for children. This past year we had not only the Kearsarge Region fourth grade, but also the whole school of Mount Royal Academy. We would encourage other fourth grades in this area to participate in the future. We are also in the process of developing programs about New London in the mid-1800s, focused on issues in the Franklin Pierce presidency which we plan to offer to and collaborate with our middle and high school students in the Kearsarge region.

This past year we collaborated with the Sunapee Historical Society, the Fells, the Barn Playhouse, and the Lake Sunapee Protective Association with PASTIMES AND AMUSEMENTS AROUND LAKE SUNAPEE, programs and exhibits. We began the year with the history of NH skiing, and included hiking, fishing, and golfing in this area in subsequent programs and included two exhibits: fishing in the 1930s and golfing in the 1920s. In addition, we had programs on mud and black flies, the fifth season; barn stories; a 1930s dance: Anything Goes; an antique auto show and race to Sunapee Harbor with a number of local autos; Old Home Day fun and activities; sunken treasures, the Weetamo; and the history of Corbin Park.

For 2008 we have added another collaborator: the Newbury Historical Society. Our theme for 2008 is HOSTING OUR SUMMER GUESTS: THE 1880's THROUGH THE 1930's which will include Women Tavern Keepers in the 19th century in NH; Summer Stock in New England; Entertaining Visitors: Boarding Houses, Hotels, Cottages, and Fishing Camps on Lake Sunapee; Carriages and Horses plus a driving clinic on the grounds of the New London Historical Society, and a surprise loan exhibit of a 19th century vehicle, one of the first used by tourists in New Hampshire plus much more.

The New London Historical Society is staffed by enthusiastic volunteers. We have no paid staff. We welcome our neighbors to join us as fellow volunteers and as visitors/participants in our many programs, activities, and events throughout the year. We also welcome AIL classes at our Meetinghouse and other groups too. After all, New London, we are your historical society!

Respectfully submitted, J.L. Tonner President

# **BANDSTAND COMMITTEE**

The summer of 2007 was a mixture of highs and lows. On the high side we were forced inside for only one concert (the first one). The other seven concerts were on the Green, although one concert presented a real challenge to the musicians who had to deal with wind and a short rain shower. There were a number of Fridays with threatening weather, but we gambled and won. It is such a pleasure to have members of the audience come with picnic suppers. Also, it is joyous to have children in attendance not only playing but also enjoying the concerts, especially when some of the groups include the children by having them march and play drums.

The band concerts are successful because of the dedication of the Committee members: Frank Sherman, Vice President; Barbara Green, Treasurer; Nancy Snow, Secretary; Missy Owen, Program Chair; Marge Sherman, Publicity; Bob Lull, Sponsors and Buntings; Bill Green, chairs; Jody Arnold; Michael Meller; Margaret Moreland and William Sloan. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart. Additional thanks go to the Public Works Department for keeping the Common in good shape and taking care of the trash. We are grateful to Lee Morrill of On Track Design for designing and printing our posters and placing weekly ads, Clayton Miller, Inc. for making sure the lights work, the New London Garden Club for the beautiful plantings, the Chamber of Commerce for displaying the sandwich board each week, the Town Office staff, friends who assist us in many ways, and last but by no means least our generous sponsors who year after year make it possible to provide a variety of musical programs for our concertgoers.

On the low side we missed Marge and Frank Sherman. Marge suffered from failing health all summer and died in October. She was our splendid, dynamic publicity chair. Frank wore many hats on this committee: VP, former program chair, sound person, announcer, and all-round wonderful committee member. Bob Wallace, an honorary member and friendly generous neighbor on the Common, died in July. Bob and his wife, Janis, were staunch supporters of the Bandstand Committee. Losing Marge and Bob left a big hole in our hearts.

A second high point came at the end of the season when the "old and tired" New London Bandstand Committee, Inc. felt it was time for a major change. The newspaper headline read, "New London Bandstand Committee Wants Out." Jessie Levine, Town Administrator, brought Bill Dowd of the Kearsarge Community Center and me together to discuss possibilities. On September 28, 2007, the New London Bandstand Committee, Inc. met with Bill Dowd, David Cleveland, David Kidder, and Joseph Cardillo representing the Kearsarge Community Center. Bill explained KCC's interest in the bandstand as a means of expanding their interest in promoting the goal of providing cultural arts for local individuals. He also stated the Bandstand concerts are key to the New London summer tradition. The following were named as board members and officers:

	Bill Dowd, President and Chair	3 years	•	Bridget LeRoy, Secretary	2 years
٠	David Cleveland, First VP	3 years		Joseph Cardillo	1 year
	Missy Owen	2 years	•	Debora Barton	1 year

Resignations from the New London Bandstand Committee, Inc. were accepted. Barbara Green agreed to serve as Treasurer until January 2008 at which time Mary Campe was elected as Treasurer for a 3-year term, and Mike Meller expressed interest in working with David Cleveland's Operations Committee.

For 18 years the Bandstand Committee has had the privilege of providing Friday night concerts in the Mary Haddad Bandstand on the Ausbon Sargent Common. These concerts have become a family summer tradition, and I hope you will continue to support the new committee with the same enthusiasm that you showed us. I am sure the new Board will be happy to receive your suggestions and comments.

I deeply appreciate all of you who worked to make the concerts successful and particularly all who attended the concerts. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, *Lois E. Marshall* President Emeritus

## **2008 BANDSTAND CONCERT SCHEDULE**

Friday, June 20, 2008 Friday, June 27, 2008 Friday, July 4, 2008 Friday, July 11, 2008 Friday, July 18, 2008 Friday, August 8, 2008 Friday, August 15, 2008 Friday, August 22, 2008 The Flames The Fondtones Quintessential Brass Granite State Stompers Brass Connection East Bay Jazz Bean Hill Bluegrass High Ground

All concerts start at 6:30 PM. In the event of rain, concerts will be held indoors at Whipple Memorial Town Hall.

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

As of May 12, 2003, it is illegal to possess, transport, or consume alcoholic beverages in or on any Town building, cemetery, park, common, library, beach, skating rink or other town facility. This includes the Town Commons and Town beaches, as well as any public roads, sidewalks, or parking areas. The fine for violations of this Town ordinance is \$1,000.



# **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

As a long time member of the New London Emergency Management Committee I was honored to be asked to serve as the town's Emergency Management Director, a position which I accepted in March 2007. Since then I continue to be impressed by our committee members' professionalism and dedication to identify, evaluate, plan, and prepare for major emergencies that could occur in New London. To that end, the EMC was able to accomplish the following in 2007:

We hit the ground running in April with several administrative successes as well as some challenges presented by a fast moving storm.

During the first week of April, through Kelsie Lee's excellent work, the New London Emergency Preparedness website went live. The creation of this website is one component of an ongoing effort to enhance emergency preparedness within New London through education. With the information and links provided, community members can learn what to do before, during and after an emergency. Thank you Kelsie for making this project a reality.

On April 17 a Nor'easter brought high winds and dumped heavy rains causing flooding and road closings. While the storm damage was not severe enough to cause us to open the emergency operations center, four New London families were evacuated from their homes and temporarily relocated. Information for FEMA assistance was made available to the community via the town's website and WNTK radio.

Not to be slowed down by the storm, later in April after much deliberation and input from our membership we approved the following mission statement:

The Town of New London Emergency Management Committee's mission is to identify, evaluate, plan, and prepare for major emergencies that could occur in New London, NH. This is accomplished by teaming actively with various departments and organizations in supporting an effective response, mitigating further hazards, and assisting in recovery. This further includes educating and informing the community of issues and actions to be taken on their behalf as well as actions to be taken by the public for their own protection and survival in emergencies.

On May 30, the EMC, in concert with Colby-Sawyer College, held its first combined full scale, multi-agency emergency drill with many of its community partners, including New London Police, Fire, and Public Works Departments, New London Hospital and Emergency Medical Services, and Town administration. The exercise was a great success in that it provided us with valuable insights that will improve our future preparation and planning for real emergencies. Helping to guide us through the exercise were Gregg Champlin from the New Hampshire Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, former Sutton Police Chief Tighe, and Lieutenant Collins of the Sunapee Police Department. The exercise was made more realistic through the involvement of talented actors Dan Wolf and Bonnie Lewis, students from Kearsarge Regional High School and dozens of Colby-Sawyer College faculty and staff who volunteered as role players. Special thanks to David Seastrand for coordinating the tactical portion of the exercise, Jessie Levine and Jay Lyon for their work in the hot and crowded EOC, and for Pam Drewniak's and Ben Coon's early arrival to moulage prep the actors.

On June 2 & 9 a number of our residents participated in 20 hours of Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. CERT is a group of volunteer residents from Newport, Sunapee, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Goshen, Grantham and Croydon, organized under Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) guidelines. During emergencies such as natural disasters or widespread power outages that block roads or overwhelm public safety services, CERT team members gather at local staging points within their communities and perform light fire suppression, damage assessment, triage and first aid, search and rescue, until the usual first responders are able to get through. Thanks to all of you who successfully completed this important training.

On June 21 Don Bent, Kent Wheeler and I attended a simulated public health emergency tabletop exercise at the Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center in Claremont. The exercise was facilitated by Jane Hubbard of Hubbard Consulting LLC with participation from members of the Greater Sullivan County All Hazards Health Region. Some participants represented the various towns throughout the region while others served as representatives of state agencies, county officials, area hospitals, etc. each responding respectively to the exercise narrative. Additional elements were added to the exercise storyline to provide opportunities for participants to more fully demonstrate their response capabilities in accordance with the Greater Sullivan County Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan. The exercise provided a great opportunity for emergency management personnel to network while also identifying strengths and challenges within the plan. A follow-up table top exercise held on November 29 which Kent Wheeler and I attended addressed some of the aforementioned challenges.

In August the EMC received a donation from a community member of Datacard ID Works electronic imaging software with printer. This has allowed us to produce identification cards for town employees and emergency responders, providing important credentialing tools in the event of an emergency.

While we're proud of what we've been able to accomplish in such a short time, we want to encourage New London residents to continue to take an active role in emergency readiness by staying updated on issues of preparedness, creating their own family emergency plans and putting together personal disaster kits. If you have any comments or questions please feel free to contact us at 526-4821 or emd@nl-nh.com.

I would like to thank our Committee members: Jessie Levine, Donald Bent, Kent Wheeler, Don West, Richard Lee, Jason Lyon, David Seastrand, and Heather Cusanelli, as well as our volunteers, Pam Drewniak and Susie Burmann, for all of their assistance throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted, **Pete Berthíaume** Emergency Management Director

# **NEW LONDON OUTING CLUB**

Explosive Growth Seen in 2007 Programs! As the New London Outing Club ends its 60th year of operation, let us again express our greatest appreciation for the support this community has shown through your ever growing participation in our recreational programs! Children's soccer experienced amazing growth in 2007, lacrosse once again set new registration records and baseball continues a huge expansion, interest again spurred by our World Series Champs Red Sox!

NLOC expands to all season programming! Many new recreational programs are in the planning stage as this is written thanks to a special 10 year lease negotiated with the Kearsarge Regional School District. It provides the NLOC exclusive after school use of the "old" middle school gym, stage, music room and fields commencing with the children's move to the new middle school, currently scheduled for March, 2008.

The lease required the NLOC to substantially improve the facilities in three ways:

- 1. Replace the old damaged gym floor with new state of the art flooring
- 2. Fix the long standing, severe drainage issues along the entire length of the building
- 3. Restore the playing field and fencing behind the school to usable condition

All of these improvements have been successfully achieved, including the discovery of an old, abandoned second playing field in the northwest corner of the property which has now been completely restored and made usable again. Thanks go to the Lake Sunapee Bank for granting the NLOC a special \$200,000 line of credit used to accomplish these much needed improvements. Our capital campaign to repay this loan is already underway with great progress...thanks again to the wonderful folks in this community!

FINALLY....a website that has it all.... theoutingclub.net. You can very easily access all the information you want on new and planned recreational opportunities for your family with one simple website...please check it out! All programs, registration information, easy online registration and simple credit card payment (for those who would like this convenience) is right at your fingertips. We also include an important link to the New London Recreation Department website.

Director Joe Cardillo leads our Membership drive! Joe Cardillo, former owner of Flash Photo, has taken the lead in helping increase NLOC membership. Joe is quick to point out that the NLOC could not exist without this vital support and he's particularly hopeful that everyone in our community -- not just those with children in our different programs -- will see that the New London Outing Club plays a vital role in delivering recreation to our community and is worth supporting.

The Outing Club owns and operates most of the recreational facilities, including Knight's Hill Nature Park in New London and does this through membership, private donations and a huge, non-paid volunteer force. He also thinks it is important to clarify that these facilities and programs are delivered without any direct tax dollar support other than the tax exemption status we receive as a charitable non-profit organization. So please lend an ear to Joe's message in 2008...we'll all appreciate it!

On behalf of the NLOC Board of Directors....thank you for a great 2007! *Dan Snyder* President, NLOC

# **THE AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST**

For over 20 years the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) has been a leader in the conservation of our natural resources in the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee Region. This non-profit, citizen-based group's mission is to protect the rural landscape of this region. Operated by a volunteer board of 14 trustees, the ASLPT has grown from an all volunteer organization with an initial charter membership of 475 into an organization of over 1,100 memberships with a full-time executive director, a full-time land protection specialist and three part-time office assistants. We are pleased to have 75+ volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments and clerical work. We are especially thankful for their support and the countless hours that they give us during the year. Our members are the lifeblood of the ASLPT and if you are not already a member, I urge you to become one.

Since our founding in 1987, the ASLPT has completed 92 projects and protected a total of 5,388 acres. All of our conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of our properties offer public access. Land conservation is a partnership and often involves not only the landowner and ASLPT, but other conservation organizations and local conservation commissions.

It has been two and a half years since the ASLPT welcomed Beth McGuinn as our fulltime Land Protection Specialist. When we hired Beth, we had a backlog of projects, and although more land is now being protected, we continue to have a growing backlog. In order to continue our work, we intend to hire a second Land Protection Specialist in the spring of 2008, a year earlier than we had initially planned. Aside from working on conservation projects, our new employee will also use approximately one-fourth of his/her time overseeing the ASLPT stewardship program.

As a consequence of our growth, we have found it necessary to relocate to fulfill the need for larger office space. In the spring of 2008, we are planning to move to a new office rental located at 71 Pleasant Street and owned by builder Gavin Campbell. By moving, we will gain at least two additional work stations, larger meeting space and adequate storage for our ever increasing files and permanent records.

In 2006 we launched the ASLPT Annual Preservation Fund which proved to be a huge success. The Fund is intended to build our financial resources devoted to land conservation in perpetuity.

As in prior years, our two "progressive" dinner fundraisers held in July proved to be extremely popular and everyone involved had a wonderful time. I am grateful to the hosts that make these events so successful. In September, the fourth annual Growers' Dinner was sponsored by Jack's of New London and in December we held our fifth annual Holiday Party at Foxstand in Springfield. Again, thanks to our special hosts Hilary Cleveland and Sandy Rowse. We very much look forward to seeing our members at these events in 2008.

In October our Outreach Committee held its first ever Land Summit that was well supported by our area towns and attended by 75 participants. The Summit brought officials from our 12-town region together for to learn from each other and from experts in the fields of land conservation and planning.

I am very pleased to announce that the ASLPT is one of 80 land trusts selected by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission to apply for the 2008 accreditation. We are the only NH land trust applying in the inaugural year of accreditation. Our board feels that is important that we apply for accreditation because land trusts are increasingly called upon to demonstrate their accountability to the public. Accreditation will provide the public with the assurance that a land trust displaying the accreditation seal meets established standards for organizational quality and permanent land conservation.

Projects completed in 2007 include the following:

- 470-acre Woods Without Gile property adjacent to the Gile Forest in Springfield managed by Ann and Marc Davis;
- 16.4 acres in Newbury located on Route 103A, owned by Dan Wolf and important to the Lake Sunapee Watershed;
- 9.6 acres in Newbury off Route 103A owned by Suzanne Levine and located on Cunningham Brook;
- 268 acre Hersey Family Farm located on Route 11 in East Andover; and

• 9.71 acres owned by the Town of Sutton (formerly the Enroth/Lefferts properties) located adjacent to Kezar Lake, Kezar St. and Route 114.

For further information, please take a look at it at our website <u>www.ausbonsargent.org</u>.

I would like to thank everyone involved with the ASLPT either as an easement donor, a member or as one who contributes many volunteer hours to the organization. All of you play a key role in the success of ASLPT.

Respectfully submitted, *Deborah L. Stanley* Executive Director

#### **ASLPT Board of Trustees**

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# **PLEASANT LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION**

The Pleasant Lake Protective Association is sincerely thankful to the Town of New London for continuing to help support our Lake Host Program in the form of a grant of \$7,000 from the Milfoil Capital Reserve Fund. Together with a grant of \$4,000 from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the continuing generosity of PLPA members, we were once again able to fund this important program. Each year the Pleasant Lake Lake Hosts inspect almost 1,000 vessels entering our waters. In addition, volunteer Weed Watchers patrol our underwater environment. Due to these extensive efforts, we are pleased to report that Pleasant Lake remains free of invasive exotic weeds.

Sadly, in the spring of 2007, significant failure of the culverts along Lamson Lane once again washed a great deal of sediment into Pleasant Lake. PLPA appreciates the efforts of the Town to correct this recurring problem.

History was made during the summer of 2007, as two chicks were born to the pair of loons that live on Pleasant Lake. For the first time, the loons used a floating loon raft complete with avian guard, which provided extra safety and protection for the eggs. Both chicks spent a happy summer on the lake and flew off to their ocean home in November. The community of Pleasant Lake can be very proud of this significant accomplishment.

In the fall of 2008 there will be a major drawdown of Pleasant Lake for the purpose of upgrading the Pleasant Lake Dam. Homeowners who wish to accomplish lakeside projects during that time should check with the Town now to be sure the necessary permits are in order.

The 225-plus members of the Pleasant Lake Protective Association are passionate about preserving and protecting Pleasant Lake. Our President is Dick Clayton, Vice President Doug Baxter, Treasurer Tom Stark, Secretary Kittie Wilson and Membership Secretary Sue Andrews. PLPA is classified as a 501c(3) organization, so your donations are tax-deductible. We have a very active and informative email communications called "All Things Pleasant on the Lake" which you can join by visiting <u>plpa.net</u>.

Join us as we work to preserve and protect one of New London's greatest natural treasures, Pleasant Lake!

Respectfully submitted, *Katherine Wilson* Secretary

## **SUNAPEE AREA WATERSHED COALITION**

#### WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

In January 2005, Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA) supported by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) was selected by NH DES to receive grants to participate in the NH DES Watershed Pilot Program. SAWC is made up of Sunapee watershed (Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton) town representatives, residents, lake associations, non-profits, and other interested parties and is currently working with Granite State Rural Water Association to write a Watershed Management Plan for the Lake Sunapee Watershed. Coalition members have identified the major threats to the local water bodies, and are currently working on recommendations. A Watershed Plan draft will be available for review early in 2008.

Three reports have been completed this year:

- An updated study of the watershed on maximum buildings and population
- A comparison of regulations of the six watershed Towns and assessment by UVLSRPC;
- A water quality computer model which uses inputs such as storm data and predicts total phosphorus.

In 2007, a mid-year report was issued and distributed at town offices; reports were presented to several watershed towns' selectmen. In 2008, SAWC is planning to select a demonstration project relative to the pilot grant.

This year a SAWC subcommittee (called the Watershed Advisory Committee) has been working on the Watershed Plan. This subcommittee toured important sites in the watershed, from stormwater handling examples, to the state's salt barn, from a managed forest to a problematic grandfathered subdivision, and water supply infrastructure.

Five areas of focus resulted:

- 1. <u>Erosion Control</u>: Requirements for slopes greater than 15% should be considered and soil type criteria should be included. Sediment should always be retained in the development area.
- Storm Water: Requirements for handling run-off as a result of development can be better covered. Criteria should be adopted to control flow by use of level-spreaders or vegetated buffers before run-off enters ditches or streams. Regulations should include long term maintenance of stormwater controls and should be included in Town property records.
- 3. <u>Waste Disposal</u>: State regulations apply to septic system design and site selection. Criteria should be introduced for inspection and maintenance. Town records should include location, design and maintenance history.
- 4. <u>Buffer Zones</u>: In view of the critical role played in preserving water quality, definition and criteria for structure maintenance should be required and in town property records. Width, clearing limitations, soil type and slope must be considered.
- 5. <u>Water Supply</u>: High quality water supply is a basic need. While surface water quality is monitored and public supplies are covered by State regulations, no comprehensive data on location, type, depth, and flow are available on private wells. Such information could be developed and a program of testing be instituted so that long term trends can be followed and threats identified.

The SAWC Watershed Plan draft will be submitted to the Town Boards for review in early 2008. It is intended that recommendations should be incorporated into Master Plans and be a guide for Planning and Zoning Boards.

Respectfully submitted, *Terry Dancy* New London representative to SAWC

# **COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE**

In 2007. Colby-Sawyer College celebrated milestones with some of its most important and influential community partnerships. These enduring relationships -- created and nurtured by members of the college and area communities -- provide inspiring examples of how people with shared interests, passions and resources can enhance the quality of life in the New London area.

Adventures in Learning: Adventures in Learning (AIL), the lifelong learning program sponsored by Colby-Sawyer, marks its 10th anniversary in the 2007-2008 academic year. For the last decade, AIL has provided educational enrichment courses for adults in the Kearsarge-Lake Sunapee Region, offering three terms with 12 different courses each year. Today AIL attracts more than 700 participants each year to its wide range of informal and intellectually stimulating courses, which are led by study group leaders from the community. Colby-Sawyer College provides administrative support for all aspects of the AIL program.

For New London resident Betsy Boege, AIL's current president, the program makes living here "even more enjoyable." She has taken courses in stem cell research and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, as well as other courses in economics, history and science. "I'm a firm believer in keeping your mind active," she said. "Mental fitness is as important as physical fitness for a good quality of life."

AIL has presented special events and courses to celebrate its anniversary this year, which will culminate with a community-wide reception and celebration at the college's Ware Campus Center on May 15, 2008. AIL Vice President Art Rosen says the events and activities honor the organization's association with Colby-Sawyer and commemorate its founding ten years ago "in a way that embraces and enriches the entire community."

The Chargers Club: This year the Chargers Club, a community-based organization founded to support athletics and student-athletes at the college, marked its 25th anniversary. The club began in January 1982, when a small group of local women gathered on campus to meet with Colby-Sawyer's athletic director to discuss how they could help to gain recognition and financial support for the college's athletic teams. The club's original members, which included Pat Kelsey, Gusta Teach, Emily Weathers Campbell and Janet Kidder, launched an organization that has raised more than \$340,000 for athletics in its 25-year history.

The club's first president, Gusta Teach, recalled that in the early- to mid-1980s, when Colby-Sawyer was a women's college, the teams received little attention. "In those days, women's athletics wasn't high on anyone's agenda," she said. "We thought it would be helpful to have someone behind them—not just financially, but also there cheering them on."

The Chargers Club asked community members and business leaders to donate items for auction, which they held on campus during Parents Weekends. Club members also initiated an annual awards ceremony and banquet, a tradition that continues today.

"The teams needed basic things such as uniforms and warm up suits, and large ticket items such as tennis courts," said Janet Kidder, then the club's treasurer. "We didn't have any trouble getting people interested in donating and supporting the club. It wasn't grand—just people in the community who wanted to help out." The club was another way for the community to get involved in and support the college, according to Kidder. "The college is important to the community, just as the community is important to the college. It's as true today as it was 25 years ago," she says.

Today the college fields 16 men's and women's intercollegiate varsity teams, and the Chargers Club, now led by alumna Jen Ellis, continues the tradition while changing with the times. Through its annual tennis tournament and other fund-raisers, the club "goes above and beyond the basics to make our athletic program stand out among others in our conference," according to Ellis.

The Carter Partnership Award: In November 2007, Colby-Sawyer College and the Kearsarge Regional School District were recognized with a Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award for Campus-Community Collaboration. The award honors a strong partnership that for four decades has directly benefitted students from kindergarten through high school, and provided college students with professional development experiences and community service opportunities.

Former First Lady Rosalynn Carter presented the partnership award to Colby-Sawyer President Tom Galligan and KRSD Superintendent Tom Brennan. The award was created by the Carter Foundation to recognize exemplary collaboration by colleges and universities, in partnership with community groups, to address critical public needs.



Former First Lady Rosalynn Carter presented the Carter College-Community Partnership Award to KRSD Superintendent Tom Brennan (left) and Colby-Sawyer College President Tom Galligan in November 2007 (photo courtesy of Colby-Sawyer College).

"The college's dynamic and enduring partnership with the Kearsarge Regional School District has been great for the college and our students," said President Galligan. "It has enriched the lives of many—from the first-grader who gets extra attention from a college student in the classroom to our future teachers and nurses, who gain real world professional skills by working alongside experienced mentors across the district. The partnership instills in everyone who participates a deep sense of what it means to contribute to and benefit from being part of a strong and caring community."

**Town-Gown Awards**: Finally, Colby-Sawyer's Town-Gown Awards, presented at Commencement in May 2007, honored a vital partnership between the college's Campus Safety Office and the New London Police Department. The awards, which each year recognize college-community collaborations, were given to Chief of Police David J. Seastrand and Campus Safety Director Peter L. Berthiaume. Chief Seastrand and Director Berthiaume have built an unusually strong and cooperative relationship between the town and the college, and each ably leads a dedicated staff of officers committed to ensuring our community's safety and well-being.

Chief Seastrand and his officers work closely with Campus Safety to facilitate the police department's understanding of the distinctive nature of the Colby-Sawyer campus and our students' needs. The chief attends training sessions with Campus Safety professional organizations to ensure that he and his staff serve the campus constituencies sensitively and effectively. "The attitude of the chief, and consequently of his officers on the front line, is that we are in this together to create a safer community for all," said Director Berthiaume. "It's this attitude that makes the relationship between the town of New London and Colby-Sawyer College a model for other college towns across the country."

Director Berthiaume has taken a leading role in developing all-hazards emergency plans to prepare the college and local communities for emergencies. He has served on the town's Emergency Management Committee since 2001 and was recently appointed as its director, leading the planning and coordination of medical, police, fire, public health and other services during major emergencies. "Given his strong working relationship and established level of trust with the town's public safety officials, Peter was a natural for the leadership role on the committee," said New London Town Administrator Jessie Levine.

In this last year, many of the people who participate in and benefit from these partnerships have had an opportunity to gain recognition, take pride in these efforts, and reflect on the value of collaboration for individuals and communities. For all these reasons, these partnerships and the many others that bring the college and community together are likely to flourish well into the future.

Respectfully submitted, Kimberly Swick Slover

Director of Communications Colby-Sawyer College

# NEW LONDON INFORMATION BOOTH & LAKE SUNAPEE REGION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Past Year's Events/Changes: The New London Information Booth operates as the primary office for the Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce. From the New London booth location, the Chamber serves 12 regional towns. The central New London location is critical in promoting and facilitating commerce, which enhances the quality of life of communities in the entire region. The Chamber collaborates with the Towns of Sunapee and Newbury in the operation of their respective seasonal information booths.

The Chamber was involved in sponsoring several special community events in New London during 2007:

- The Chocolate Fest at the New London Inn in March attracted more than 250 attendees to sample the delicious products of a dozen chocolate presenters, including four local ones;
- Chamber volunteers collaborated with local residents to sponsor a Red Cross Bloodmobile in June and assisted New London Hospital with a power location for the town-provided audio during Hospital Days;
- The Chamber works with numerous local organizations in advertising and promoting local events and activities. Such organizations include the New London Barn Playhouse, the New London Historical Society, Summer Music Associates, KAT Theatre, the Bandstand Committee, New London Hospital, COA, the Red Cross and many others. The Chamber distributed biking and hiking locations, including selling New London trail maps to benefit the Conservation Commission, and provided information or referrals of Town services and events.
- The Chamber's ever-improving web site -- www.lakesunapeenh.org -- lists all local Chamber members including retail, dining and lodging choices and local services as well as a community calendar. This was a new addition in 2007. More frequent newsletters for the benefit of members and other web site links also were added in 2007.
- Spring Ledge Farm donated the holiday tree to the Chamber which was set up in the Town bandstand. We worked with Chamber members to provide the Santa visit at the tree lighting and asked local banks and others to offer additional holiday events and photos. Chamber members provided carolers and worked with members and non-members alike in participating in New London's "Christmas Party," during which retailers welcomed visitors with later hours, refreshments and shopping enticements.
- The Chamber continued to raise funds toward replacing the existing Information Booth on town land in order to offer a handicapped-accessible restroom and heated year-round information center. While it was disappointing that this was not completed during 2007, local organizations such as the New London Rotary Club, businesses, non-profits and residents continued to contribute toward the goal. The traditional Tomie Di Paola Santa's Village was not put up in 2007 because of the booth replacement. Town officials were very helpful in providing advice and guidance as we proceed. Our thanks again to the New London Garden Club for offering and maintaining attractive plantings.

Staffing changes and training events: Several local residents volunteered or were paid to help the director in ensuring that the Information Booth was open to assist both residents and visitors. The Chamber will repeat the 2007 participation as an at-large board member of the NH Association of Chambers of Commerce. The Chamber took advantage of several economic development and visitor-oriented seminars in 2007 in order to advocate for our members and the overall stability of the region. A volunteer Board of Directors representing a cross-section of members and participating town govern the Chamber and meet monthly. Many of the directors as well as Chamber members are New London-based.

Benefit/value to the Town of New London: The Chamber is open year-round. The New London Information Booth at 328 Main Street was open from May through November in 2007. It could not have been possible without the continued support of the budgeted \$10,000 as evidence of the support from the Town and its citizens. The Newbury and Sunapee seasonal information booth operating and personnel expenses are supported entirely by those respective towns. In November, we moved to temporary offices provided through the generosity of the Angeli Real Estate offices until we can establish year-around occupancy in the planned new building. During the course of 2007:

- The Chamber responded to more than 3700 requests for local and regional information this year from visitors to the booth and in response to requests via phone, email or mail-in requests.
- The Chamber continues to provide Transfer Station hours and requirements, recycling and outing club information, brochures on places to go or things to do, and calendars of events, and gives out information on shopping, lodging and

dining options. We respond to inquiries to new and potential residents on a number of topics and advocate for New London and the surrounding area.

• The value of buying locally continues to be of primary value. The concept of "Think Local First" and the Chamber's existing Community Investment Program are ways to support the local economy. Many New London businesses participate in the Chamber and community activities and continue to contribute to the quality and diversity of the Town. For more information, contact the Chamber office at 526-6575 (1-877-526-6575).

Effect of local and regional growth: Residents and tourism both greatly benefit New London. Research continues to demonstrate that travel and tourism is one of this area's leading industries in terms of jobs and attracting dollars from outof state and in-state visitors. Our regional chamber applied for Joint Promotional Program (JPP) matching reimbursement from the New Hampshire Department of Travel & Tourism for the production and development of our annual Map & Guide and Information Guide publications. The Chamber received more than \$13,000 FY 2006-07, will apply for approximately \$7000 of similar reimbursement for 2007 and a greater amount in 2008.

JPP funds supplement the Town support, member dues and modest fundraising efforts to meet our budget requirements for marketing and operating expenses. The above publications are distributed at corporate locations in Boston Metro and Connecticut and a portion of the New York area, the Manchester Airport, at state Welcome & Information Centers in both NH and VT and at member businesses and organizations throughout the region. We provide the publications to visitors' at all three town information booths and include them in informational packets distributed. The Chamber participated as a potential resource for economic and housing concerns during the recent Town Master Planning process.

New programs/Vision for 2008: The Chamber will be setting strategic goals for this year in late January 2008. The replacement building, continual growth in our web site access and listings, and further support of our overall goal of improved organization and increasing services and communications to members and residents will again be included. We are trying to improve on what we already provide rather than introducing any substantial new programs or events in 2008. A more extensive community calendar remains as a goal as well so that members and others may make informed decisions as they establish schedules.

All organizations and residents are encouraged to call on us at 526-6575 or email at chamberinfo@nhvt.net with their planned events or to receive information available.

Respectfully submitted, **Rob Bryant** Executive Director

New London saw a parade of presidential candidates pass through town leading up to the Presidential Primary in January 2008, with many stopping at Jack's of New London, including Barack Obama and Mitt Romney. Below, John McCain speaks to a full house at Whipple Memorial Town Hall (photos courtesy of Marty McAuliff, Argus Champion).





# **NEW LONDON HOSPITAL**

We are pleased to share these notable achievements of our recent fiscal year, which ended on September 30, 2007. With over 450 employees and an operating budget of \$43.5 million, New London Hospital is one of the Town's largest employers and economic cornerstones.

- The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IIII) recognized our patient care quality in the areas of Community Acquired Pneumonia and Surgical Care. New London Hospital was the only hospital in New Hampshire visited on a recent tour of a team from IHI and one of the few Critical Access Hospitals nationally to be included.
- New London Hospital has been named to the Harvard Pilgrim Honor Roll for 2007 in recognition of our standing in the top 25% of hospitals nationally for the results of our quality measures as reported by the Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Services. We are one of only 35 hospitals in the northeast to receive this honor.
- The volume of our clinical services grew over 8% in FY 2007, with increases in patient visits to lab and radiology and patients per provider. The number of inpatient and same day surgery cases performed in our operating rooms increased, as well as visits to the Emergency Room. The Clough Extended Care Center also cared for an increased number of residents this year.
- We continue to ensure that we have quality providers to meet the primary care needs of our patients and we strive to provide the specialty services appropriate for our hospital:
  - Our primary care providers were joined by four new colleagues: Denise Weber, M.D., Internal Medicine in New London; Carrie Webber, M.D., Family Medicine at Newport Health Center; Maud Abess, PA-C in New London and the New London Family Care Center at Grantham; and Laura Kaitz, PA-C at Newport Health Center.
  - o Jack Kirk, M.D., Internal Medicine, returned to practice primary care full-time in New London.
  - Daniel McGinley-Smith, M.D., Dermatology, joined New London Hospital Practices and sees patients in New London.
  - o Alyssa Pearl, PA-C joined New London Surgical Services.
  - Joseph Phillips, M.D., Neurosurgeon with Upper Valley Neurology Neurosurgery, sees patients and performs procedures in New London.
  - Women's Health Services began offering pre- and postnatal care in our community through a collaboration with Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center.
- The Clough Center initiated a Hospitalist program, providing increased physician access for residents and their families.
- We celebrated our second year as a member of the Dartmouth Hitchcock Alliance.
- Our 24/7 ambulance service continues to serve the community with generous support from the Town and on November 30, 2007 we celebrated the arrival of a new state-of-the-art ambulance to meet the emergency needs of our residents.
- We held our 5th annual Emergency Services Conference at Mount Sunapee Resort, attracting over 400 participants. Our Emergency Medical Services staff provided over 500 hours of classes for the community ranging from CPR to specialized paramedic training. In addition, our Emergency Department is a partner with the Town on all emergency preparedness trainings and drills.
- The Hospital and Clough Center implemented a new Healthcare Information System in November 2006 and will soon deploy a new electronic medical records system throughout our physician practices, funded by a \$2.9 million loan/grant from the USDA Rural Utilities Services Program.
- New London Hospital embarked upon a \$21 million expansion and renovation project in July after successfully obtaining a Certificate of Need from the state. The Building Towards the Future project has been granted all required permits from the Town of New London the Hospital held a groundbreaking ceremony on August 30 attended by Governor John Lynch and Dr. Susan Lynch, as well as over 200 community members.



New London Hospital Groundbreaking Ceremony, August 30, 2007 From left to right: Bob Odell, State Senator and New London Hospital Trustee; Governor John Lynch and Dr. Susan Lynch; William Helm, Chair of the Board of Trustees; Bruce King, President & CEO; and Thomas Lucas, MD, President, Medical Staff

- We announced a capital campaign goal of \$7.2 million in support of the Building Towards the Future project.
- The Hospital is very appreciative of the Town's support for the building project and its assistance in providing solutions to our off-site parking needs.
- Community support for New London Hospital exceeded our projections with a very successful Annual Fund, our second Grand Gala, record attendance and proceeds from our fourth annual golf tournament and our 83rd Hospital Days.
- The New London Hospital Art Program continues to showcase the works of local artists over the year with quarterly exhibits, bringing the art of healing to our walls for patients, visitors and staff. We are very grateful that the artists donate a percentage of all their sales to New London Hospital.
- Volunteer service to the hospital totaled more than 14,000 hours, with a value of over \$253,000. The Friends of New London Hospital also contributed countless hours supporting a variety of community-based programs.

2008 will bring many changes to the Hospital campus as we move towards completion of the building project in spring 2009. The Hospital will continue to offer uninterrupted primary and secondary healthcare services while also planning and building for the future needs of the community. We will continue very thoughtful deliberation of the opportunity to create a Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC) on Hospital land. We are researching a variety of options and speaking with several experts in the field. We plan to make important decisions about a CCRC project in late 2008.

New London Hospital expresses its deep appreciation to the community for its support and interest in the Hospital's future.

G. William Helm, Jr.

Chairman, New London Hospital Board of Trustees

Bruce P. King President & CEO, New London Hospital

# LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VNA & HOSPICE

Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice is grateful for the opportunity to provide home health, hospice and community services for residents of New London. Each year our focus is to provide the kinds of services that people in the community need in order to recover from an illness or injury, cope with chronic illnesses or deal with life events including births and deaths.

We invest in technology and training for staff to ensure the highest level of competence; and hire staff who go about their work with a high degree of caring and compassion. We continually seek feedback from patients, families, other health care providers and the community to help us improve our services.

During the past year, Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice increased our volume of services in all programs by more than 10%. In addition, the following accomplishments will help the organization remain a provider of choice in this region:

- Achieved a patient satisfaction rate at the 94th percentile.
- Eliminated all long-term debt except the building mortgage.
- Improved nursing productivity by .5 visits per day.
- Implemented an electronic newsletter for Friends of the VNA.
- Hired a Hospice Facilities Coordinator to improve communication, satisfaction and consistency in our work with nursing homes and assisted living facilities.
- Exceeded our annual fundraising goal by 16%.
- Launched the "Good to Go" emergency planning initiative with staff, volunteers and trustees to encourage personal readiness in the event of an emergency of any kind. Without personal readiness, we will not be able to assist the community.
- Initiated discussions with New London Hospital to contract for increased Hospice Medical Director time to improve staff support, communication with primary physicians and improve patient care
- Implemented specific care plans for certain chronic illnesses with associated patient education to improve communication and consistency with patients and help achieve positive patient goals

These actions and many more were undertaken so that Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice will be in the best position to provide the kind of care you expect and deserve.

More than 1100 residents of New London received care and services through one or more programs of Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice. More than 786 residents participated in our community clinics including influenza, pneumonia, foot care and blood pressure. Fifty-seven adults and 29 children attended support groups during the year, including caregiver, bereavement and parent-child support. In addition, 334 residents received 2807 home care visits and 2612 hospice visits. Families of hospice patients will receive bereavement support over the next year and beyond. Finally, over 8,000 hours of personal support services were provided for those needing long-term care at home.

The more than 120 staff and 100 active volunteers at LSRVNA are proud to provide care and services to promote a healthy community. Thank you to each and every one of you for the many ways in which you support Lake Sunapee Region VNA and HOSPICE.

Sincerely, Andrea Steel President and CEO

# **CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER KEARSARGE AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.**

Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc. (COA) is a service organization for senior citizens that serves the nine towns of Andover, Danbury, Grantham, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Sunapee and Wilmot. In 2007 COA celebrated its 15th anniversary! We continue to grow and services below show the increase in our participation levels and transportation provided to area seniors:

- 628 members in 1996
   ⇒ 2,452 members in 2006
   4,900 people participated in programs in 1996
   ⇒ 10,000 people participated in programs in 2006
   ⇒ 11,600 volunteer hours contributed in 2006
- 16,000 miles of transportation were given in 1996  $\Rightarrow$  60,000 miles of transportation were given in 2006

Our mobility lending program of walkers, canes, wheelchairs and other equipment is used almost daily. Programs of education, exercise, culture and sociability are available through the Chapin Senior Center every day. All these services continue to be free of charge to our members and we hope to keep it that way. It is through the generosity of the towns serviced, the business sponsors and individual contributions that we are able to do this. Our annual budget of \$100,000 is possible only because of the excellent volunteer support that COA receives from hundreds of people in all towns.

COA has a paid staff of one Executive Director and one part time Administrative Assistant. Volunteers do the rest, sharing their talents and time to COA.

COA is most grateful for all donations. Without them, we would not have the vibrant organization that we have. We look forward to seeing you at the Center.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely, Kay Butler, Chair 2007



KCOA volunteers provide rides to seniors in nine towns.

Kayaking with KCOA

# **COMMUNITY FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT**

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department [note: in New London, contact Police Dispatch at 526-2626] to determine if a permit is required before doing <u>ANY</u> outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L: 17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local Fire Department or DES at 800-498-6868 or <u>www.des.state.nh.us</u> for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2217, or online at <u>www.nhdfl.org</u>.

Fire activity was very busy during the spring of 2007, particularly late April into early May. As the forests and fields greened up in later May the fire danger decreased. However, a very dry late summer created very high fire danger again from August into September with fire danger reaching very high on Labor Day weekend. Even with the dry conditions, the acreage burned was less than half that of 2006. The largest forest fire during the 2007 season burned approximately 26 acres on the side of Wantastiquet Mountain in Chesterfield during the month of May.

Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2007 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials.

Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at <u>www.firewise.org</u>. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

TOTALS	BY COUNT	Y	CAUSES OF FIRE	CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED							
	<u># of Fires</u>	Acres	Arson	5							
Belknap	30	95	Campfire	38							
Carroll	11	53	Children	22							
Cheshire	44	36	Smoking	41							
Coos	6	15	Debris	197							
Grafton	4	30	Railroad	5							
Hillsborough	61	71	Lightning	7							
Merrimack	16	73	Equipment	3							
Rockingham	16	22	Misc*	119							
Strafford	19	32	*Misc: power lines, fireworks, e	lectric fences, etc.							
Sullivan	5	10									

### 2007 FIRE STATISTICS (All fires reported through November 8, 2007)

	Total Fires	Total Acres
2007	437	212
2006	500	473
2005	546	174
2004	482	147
2003	374	100

# **UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION - MERRIMACK COUNTY**

For 93 years, UNH Cooperative Extension, the public outreach arm of the University of New Hampshire, has engaged New Hampshire residents with a broad variety of non-formal educational offerings. One in four Merrimack County residents took advantage of at least one Extension program last year.

We offer programs in parenting, family finances, food safety, home gardening, 4-H (including clubs, camps, special interest programs and after school programs) for children and teens, nutrition education for low-income families, and acculturation for refugee families. We respond to the needs of forest landowners, commercial farmers, niche growers, farmers' markets, and many other groups.

Merrimack County Extension educators also work extensively with towns and school districts, organizing and advising after-school programs, helping school and town groundskeepers maintain athletic fields, landscaped areas, and town forests. We provide guidance to community boards on current use, timber tax law, and other land use issues. We also help social service agencies plan programs and stay current with the latest research and best practices.

Our county staff participate—and sometimes take leadership roles—in many state and local coalitions, among them the Franklin Asset Building Coalition, Concord Asset Building Coalition, the Concord Substance Abuse Coalition, the Timberland Owners Association, N.H. Farm and Forest Exposition board, Ausbon Sargent Land Trust outreach committee, N.H. Association for Infant Mental Health, the state Marriage and Family Advisory Board, and the N.H. Volunteer Administrators Association.

Merrimack County Extension provides fact-sheet notebooks to all town libraries and our educators are often a guest of WPTL Radio (107.7 FM), which offers information to residents throughout the station's listening area.

UNH Cooperative Extension operates a statewide toll-free Info Line at our Family, Home & Garden Education Center, staffed Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. The number for the Info Line is 1-877-398-4769. Last year, the Info Line handled more than 684 requests from Merrimack County residents.

Finally, UNH Extension trains and supports over 4,300 volunteers: 4-H leaders, master gardeners, wildlife coverts, community tree stewards, water quality monitors and others, who extend the reach of Extension programs into many domains of New Hampshire life. If volunteer opportunities interest you, please call Merrimack County Extension Office at 225-5505 or 796-2151, or stop by the office at 315 Daniel Webster Highway in Boscawen next to the County Nursing Home on Route 3. Extension also distributes a wide range of information from our Web site: <u>www.extension.unh.edu</u>.



The hay ride is part of Family Fun Night, an annual tradition during Hospital Days where children enjoy face-painting, bean bag toss, pieeating contest and other games. New London residents Ellie and Dan Snyder run Family Fun Night and Selectman Larry Ballin has volunteered as hay truck driver for many years (photo courtesy of New London Hospital).

# **UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

Through UVLSRPC membership, the 27 cities and towns of the Upper Valley, Sullivan County and Lake Sunapee area strive to ensure that the growth of the Region does not lower our quality of life, and that it enhances rather than threatens our healthy economy. Regional planning provides a mechanism for communities that live and work together to collaborate on issues of common concern, such as transportation, emergency preparedness, economic development, housing and resource protection. Your community's active participation in UVLSRPC provides you with a voice in regional activities, as well as in decision-making at the state level that affects the future of your community.

Here is a summary of our work during the past year:

- Completed Phase I of the Route 120 Corridor Management Plan in Hanover and Lebanon, and began transit plans with Community Transportation Services in Sullivan County and Advance Transit in Grafton County.
- Continued to participate and facilitate the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) developed for Sullivan County to increase eligibility for federal funding for economic development and infrastructure improvements.
- Continued to collaborate with economic development partners in Grafton County through the North Country CEDS Committee.
- Partnered with Lake Sunapee Protective Association and Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition to help communities collaborate on watershed management planning.
- Completed the Route 4 Corridor Management Plan to balance growth of Canaan and Enfield village centers with needs of commuters.
- Obtained funding for Source Water Protection inventories, planning and outreach for Claremont and Croydon.
- Promoted our Region's priorities for federal and state transportation funding including Transportation Enhancement (TE) Grants. Served on NH Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Advisory Committee (CMAQ).
- Participated in work group studying sprawl in NH and effectiveness of state smart growth policies with NH Association of Regional Planning Commission's Legislative Policy Committee, NH GIS Advisory Committee, and Mount Sunapee Ski Area Advisory Committee.
- Co-wrote innovative zoning guidebook with NHDES and NHARPC.
- Began updating the Land Use Chapter of the Regional Plan.
- Participated in the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning's fall conference.
- Assisted Connecticut River Joint Commissions with update of corridor management plan.
- Participated in Sullivan County Community Mobility Project to begin identifying and addressing unmet transportation needs.
- Performed over 100 traffic counts in 13 communities throughout the Region to provide data for state and regional transportation plans.
- Continued to participate with Advance Transit, Community Transportation Services, Upper Valley Transportation Management Association, Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Connecticut River
- Byway Council, Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste Committee, Upper Valley Housing Coalition, North Country Resource Conservation & Development, and Lake Sunapee Protective Association.
- Organized 4 hazardous waste collections in which over 1,100 households participated to keep approximately 11,000 gallons of hazardous chemicals out of the Region's groundwater.
- Organized, facilitated and participated in a panel discussion for local officials regarding solid waste disposal issues in Sullivan County.

- Assisted 7 communities with updates of local master plans, 2 with zoning amendments, 1 with a Natural Resource Inventory, 1 with starting a capital improvement program and 3 with other regulations.
- Completed road inventories in 5 member communities and processed inventories in an additional 3 communities, ensuring that full state aid for maintenance is received.
- Conducted hazard mitigation planning in 6 communities to enable them to be eligible for federal disaster assistance and hazard mitigation funds. Assisted 2 communities with review of National Flood Insurance Program compliance. Assisted Sullivan County communities with process to adopt new floodplain maps to ensure residents' continued eligibility for flood insurance.
- Assisted communities with review of proposed developments.
- Published <u>Elevate the Creative Economy</u>: a planning guide for communities interested in enhancing their "creative economy" as an economic development tool.
- Continued emphasis on informational programs and training for local officials including Law Lecture Series and programs including: People Power: How to get Citizens to Turn Out, Tune in, and Stay Tuned, How to Combat Sprawl with Simple Zoning Techniques, and Context Sensitive Solutions: What This New Approach to Transportation Planning Means For Your Community.
- Began the CSS (Context Sensitive Solutions) Process with Charlestown and Walpole for Route 12.
- Responded to numerous day-to-day requests from local board members and staff for guidance, data and GIS maps.
- Continued to update our website www.uvlsrpc.org with information on planning issues and events, and kept library current with the latest technical guidance, planning literature, and sample regulations. Provided information to businesses, residents, libraries, school districts and other area organizations.
- Participated in professional development activities to ensure planning staff stays up-to-date on best practices, emerging topics, GIS, and changes in NH land use law and federal funding programs of benefit to communities.
- Each year we try to address the highest priority needs of the Region, while balancing the varied concerns of both the larger and smaller communities within our area.

We appreciate the high level of participation and support we receive from our communities, and look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the Region in addressing the issues above and others that arise in the future. We count on feedback from the Commissioners appointed by each community, as well as local officials and residents, to ensure that our work program continues to focus on those regional issues that are of the highest priority to you.

Please feel free to contact us at (603) 448-1680 or email me at cwalker@uvlsrpc.org to share your thoughts.

Respectfully submitted, *Christine Walker* Executive Director

# **2007 RESIDENT MARRIAGES**

Date	Groom's Name/Residence	Bride's Name/Residence
June 23, 2007	Troy D. Densmore New London, NH	Nicole L. Fenton New London, NH
June 23, 2007	Daniel W. Noyes New London, NH	Erin L. Donabedian New London, NH
August 19, 2007	Michael J. Loomis New London, NH	Megan A. Orton New London, NH
August 31, 2007	Richard S. Proulx New London, NH	Jill S. Freethey New London, NH
September 2, 2007	Aristotle J. Souliotis New London, NH	Emily F. Lehan New London, NH
September 15, 2007	Robert K. Morrissette New London, NH	Marian A. Grover Bethlehem, NH
September 15, 2007	Dylan E. Wilks New London, NH	Stephanie M. McArdle Gilmanton, NH
October 15, 2007	Kenneth E. Preston New London, NH	Frances A. Kallgren New London, NH
October 20, 2007	George A. Dick New London, NH	Wally D. Borgen New London, NH
November 1, 2007	James L. Snyder Wilmot, NH	Marianna C. Wolny New London, NH

## **2007 RESIDENT DEATHS**

### **Date of Death** January 5, 2007 January 8, 2007 February 5, 2007 February 11, 2007 February 19, 2007 February 25, 2007 March 5, 2007 March 15, 2007 March 18, 2007 March 29, 2007 April 2, 2007 April 4, 2007 April 14, 2007 May 4, 2007 May 4, 2007 May 4, 2007 May 10, 2007 May 15, 2007 May 16, 2007 May 19, 2007 May 28, 2007 June 1, 2007 June 10, 2007 June 11, 2007 July 6, 2007 July 8, 2007 July 11, 2007 July 24, 2007 July 26, 2007 July 29, 2007 July 29, 2007 July 31, 2007 August 10, 2007 August 17, 2007 August 21, 2007 August 31, 2007 September 8, 2007 September 26, 2007 September 27, 2007 September 30, 2007 October 8, 2007 October 15, 2007 October 26, 2007 October 30, 2007 November 7, 2007 November 17, 2007 November 23, 2007 December 11, 2007 December 11, 2007 December 17, 2007 December 19, 2007 December 19, 2007 December 21, 2007 December 21, 2007

Name of Deceased Virginia McCann James Messer George Beck Walter Gregory Anne Murchie Audrey Weathers Robert Vernon Mary Longnecker Mary Finamore Barbara Merritt John Williamson Janet Thiesmeyer **Eleanor** Ewing Josephine Morse Donald Radasch **Richard Baldwin** David Davidson Martin Johnson Ruth Anderson Robert Carter Andrew Jarrell Pamela Low Mary Flynn Anna Parks Ernest Welch, Jr. Sally Haering Priscilla Moore Joyce McCormick **Robert** Wallace Janet Prohl Leo Stanley Everett Woodman Barbara Gibbs **Dorothy Riley Robert Healy** Ann Caemmerer George Tracy Allan Trevaskis Margaret Damon Harriet Avery David Nuttelman James Abbott Helen Enman Mariorie Sherman Louise Danforth Natalie Stanley Irene Osgood Thais Dechant Harriet Buker Sydney Ward Fogeline Veenema Althea Johnson Lorellie Durocher Cynthia Lamy

### Father's Name

Charles Pecan Elmer Messer George Beck **Charles Gregory** Malcolm Wilkins John Strasenburgh Percival Vernon **Charles** Laymon Unknown Miller Thomas Kielty Robert Williamson Alfred Stratton Peleg Chandler Harry Pfaltz Edmund Radasch Frank Baldwin Earl Davidson Laurence Johnson **Charles Neeld** Herbert Carter John Jarrell Kneeland Low Albert Simmons **Charles Feeley** Ernest Welch, Sr. Verton Staub Arthur Marple William Hambley Lindsay Wallace Ralph Benson Thomas Stanley James Woodman George Beals Joseph Riley James Healy **Charles Slater** Albert Tracy **Richard Trevaskis** Edward Neilson Orrin Amsden Arthur Nuttelman Edward Abbott Albert Merrill **Ray Mering** Simeon Sprague William Ferrin Frank Laro Paul Traver Louis Chapin Sydney Ward John Kole Joseph Wilber Alan Stubbs William Jordan

### **Mother's Name** Mary Hoffman Gustie Todd Margaret Igo Stella Xuerb Eunice McGillivray Margaret Beaver Ethel Thomas Sarah Hinkle Unknown Unknown Mary Waldron Sarah Streeter Gertrude Curtiss Eleanor Williams **Phyllis Perrine** Mary Hitchcock Elizabeth Wood Flora Hammett Blanche Martin Alice McNeilly Marrian Hoar Lois Stephens Pauline Smith Frances Banks Sarah O'Day Phebe McClure Esther Hungerford Agnes Jurentkuff Blanche Dillon **Catherine** Tracy Ethel Bonus Margaret Reagan Ethel Everett **Barbara** Beals Alma Shoaff Catherine Denehy Grace Tate Ida Spruin Grace Curnow Mildred Buck Elsie Clark Edith Hodge Dorothy Delano Gertrude Pillsbury Clara Vollmer **Eva Emons** Elizabeth Nash Eva Sylvester **Doris** Gates Emma Brightman Mary Finnie Jennie Meenen Edna Hanscom Shirley Copeland Clara Osgood

# **2007 RESIDENT BIRTHS**

Date	Child's Name
March 5, 2007	Isabelle Daisy Radkewich
March 31, 2007	Abigail Marie Griswold
April 19, 2007	Andrew James Brahan
May 23, 2007	Margaret Phyllis Laska
July 5, 2007	Arthur Finnegan Kennedy
July 16, 2007	Giacobbi Gabriel Lambert
August 4, 2007	Bragen Lloyd Kinzer
August 16, 2007	Owen James Dulac
August 29, 2007	Leia Ione Branham

### Parents' Names

Nicholas Radkewich & Susan Fitzgerald Scott & Jenna Griswold Peter & Amy Brahan Michael & Barbara Laska Arthur & Sonya Kennedy Nathaniel & Mary Lambert Edward & Tamra Kinzer Benjamin & Kate Dulac Christopher & Kate Branham

# KEARSARGE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2007 New London Graduates

Jeffrey Andrews Maureen Barry Tyler Bascom Thomas Bloch Grant Broom Sam Cahan John Carroll Josiah Cooper Zach Cutts John Donaghy Jeremiah Dubie Nathan Eberly Jonathan Edmunds Marilyn Ferreira Lauren Heffron Nyle Howell Evan Lakeman Douglas Lantz Zachary Lindamood Derek Lohmann Nicholas Lohmann Elizabeth Morono Mamie Nixon Drew Parsons Eian Prohl Brittany Ross Tania Ross Ashley Shute Alexandra Steverson Chantille Turmelle Abigail West Annaliese Westerberg

# NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

**ANNUAL REPORT** FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007



Sunset at Colby Point

# FOUNDED 1925

Providing water service to customers in the Towns of New London and Springfield

### **Report to the Voters – 2007**

The Annual meeting of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct in March of 2007 saw the election of Kenneth R. Jacques as water commissioner for a three-year term and John H. MacKenna was elected to a two year term. Also elected on the same ballot were Marion Hafner as Treasurer/ Clerk and Cotton Cleveland as Moderator, both for one-year terms. All articles set forth on the warrant were passed, including the proposed budget, funding for system improvements, building improvements and water main replacement on County Road and across Newport Road. This to be done in conjunction with the Town of New London and the round-about project.

In 2007 there was an application for commercial service for New London Hospital and an application for a change of use by a private individual.

As with all things, after a period of time, maintenance must be performed. This applies to water systems as well. In 2007 one of the vertical turbines at the Colby Point pump station was rebuilt. These turbine pumps are what transports the water from the clear well at the pump station to the one million gallon tank that ultimately supplies the Precinct. Also, one of the pumps in the Colby Point well field failed and needed to be replaced.

Also in 2007 the clear well at the Colby Point Pump station and the one million gallon storage tank were cleaned and inspected.

A new meter was installed at the Colby Point pump station that will work with the SCADA system that communicates with the two pump stations and the reservoirs. This will give us more accurate historical information for billing and tracing unaccounted for water loss.

The water main replacement project on County Road in conjunction with the Newport Road round-a-bout has been designed and construction will hopefully start in the spring of 2008. The upsizing of the main from 6" to 12" will increase the flow and benefit the entire Precinct. This will conclude the last of the engineer recommended major projects for system improvements recommended in the Dufrense-Henry report of July 1991. We are looking forward to the start and completion of the project.

The Board of Commissioners would again like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that summer irrigation adds stress to the system and to please conserve. The Precinct has information on hand at our office for those who wish it.

The Board of Commissioners extends their appreciation to the voters for the opportunity to serve the Precinct, and look forward to continuing service in 2008.

Thank You. Commissioners: James A. Cricenti, Chairman John H. MacKenna Kenneth R. Jacques

### WATER CONSERVATION

The New-London Water System Precinct has not experienced a water shortage, but overuse of water during a dry spell can result in a lower water flow to fire hydrants causing problems in fighting fires. The Precinct offers the following "10 steps to conserve water." Using these steps as guidelines to lower water usage helps both the Precinct and you, the consumer, by keeping the system at full flow and in lower water bills.

Draw only the water you need when you turn the faucet on: Keep water in the refrigerator for cold water, do not let faucet run to get water cold. Rinse vegetables in short sprays and defrost foods in refrigerator instead of under running water.

Take quicker showers and invest in a low flow shower head available at the local hardware store. It takes about 50 gallons of water to fill a standard bathtub, try bathing in just 10 gallons.

Check for leaks, a silent leak in the toilet can use several gallons of water a day. Be sure all faucets are turned off tight. Once a year inspect all inside and outside faucets for leaks.

Instead of dumping that unwanted or used water down the drain use it to water indoor flowers or outside plants.

When doing laundry look at your washer's settings, waiting for full loads saves water but if it is necessary to do smaller loads check the water level setting.

Water lawn and plants only as they require, when the grass is dull green and you can see your footprint as you walk on it. Water only the dry areas and consider changing your landscape to include less grass, more mulch and native plants. Watering by hand allows you to place the water where needed, but if you need to water a large area use soaker hoses and timers. Water early mornings for best results.

Wash vehicles with a sponge and bucket using the hose for rinsing only.

Cover swimming pools when not in use to prevent evaporation loss and lower the water level to avoid loss due to splashing overflow.

Sweep driveways, walks and decks with a broom instead of hosing them off.

Check appliance's connecting hoses and faucets for leaks. Even a pinhole leak wastes up to 170 gallons a day.

### NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT PRECINCT WARRANT Towns of New London and Springfield, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct in the counties of Merrimack and Sullivan, respectively, qualified to vote in Precinct affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Whipple Hall in New London, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. to act on the following subjects: (Note: By law the meeting must open before voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 4:00 p.m. At 4:15 p.m. the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open until 7:30 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. to act on Articles 2 through 10.)

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose all necessary officers for the coming year.

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of officers for the coming year.

ARTICLE 3: To set the salaries of all officers for the coming year. Commissioner-\$1,000.00/Moderator-\$50.00/Treasurer-\$250.00/Clerk-\$100.00

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to defray Precinct charges for the coming year:

	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
	2007	2008
Salaries, Benefits, Taxes	263,165	280,200
Maintenance	32,000	32,000
Pump and tank maintenance	12,000	15,000
Utilities	53,000	53,000
Supplies	22,500	22,500
Insurance	8,000	9,700
Administration	8,000	8,000
Accounting Expense	4,500	5,000
Legal Expense	2,000	2,000
Election/Annual Meeting	1,800	1,800
Engineering Review	2,500	1,500
Equipment (Capitalized)	3,000	3,000
Contingency	1,000	1,000
Property Tax		2,300
Interest (Short Term)	1,000	1,000
Interest (Long Term)	77,508	77,300
Principal (Long Term)	99,059	129,830
Lease Expense	14,500	14,500
	\$605,532	\$659,630

ARTICLE 5: To see if the voters of the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty three thousand eight hundred fifty dollars (\$33,850.00) for the purchase of a new pick-up truck with utility body. This amount will be funded from the General Fund Balance. The Commissioners recommend this article.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the voters of the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars, (\$6,000.00) for improvements to the distribution system. This Article to be funded from the General Fund Balance. This Article to be non-lapsing until Dec 31, 2010. The Commissioners recommend this article.

> New London-Springfield Water System Precinct Board of Commissioners

James A. Cricenti, Chairman John H. MacKenna Kenneth R. Jacques

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### NEW LONDON - SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

DECEMBER 31, 2007

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# PHILIP E. GLEASON

To the Commissioners New London-Springfield Water System Precinct New London, New Hampshire

I have reviewed the accompanying financial statements governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of New London-Springfield Water System Precinct as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, which collectively comprise the Precinct basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct.

A review consists principally of inquiries of Precinct personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, with the exception of the matter described in the following paragraph, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Precinct carries its facilities and equipment at cost and does not provide for depreciation. Generally accepted accounting principles require that facility and equipment be stated at an amount not in excess of cost, reduced by depreciation over the expected useful life of the asset. Since the facility and equipment have not been depreciated resulting in these assets remaining at their original cost and not the depreciated value, the net assets are increased and total expenses have been decreased.

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January 15, 2008

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CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$155,913		\$ 109,295	\$ 265,208	\$ 308,800
Receivables	7,963			7,963	848
Due from other Funds		\$ 12,540		12,540	12,540
Inventory	24,313			24,313	22,429
Total Current Assets	188,189	12,540	109,295	310,024	344,617
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT					
Facilities		4.048.604		4.048.604	4.048.604
Equipment		197,987		197.987	194.612
Pump Station and Storage Tank			1,765,705	1,765,705	1,739,724
Total Plant and Equipment		4,246,591	1,765,705	6,012,296	5,982,940
TOTAL ASSETS	\$188,189	\$4,259,131	\$1,875,000	\$6.322.320	\$6.327.557
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts Pavable					\$ 21.825
Due to other Funds	\$ 12,540			\$ 12,540	
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt Total Current Liabilities	12.540		\$ <u>36,695</u> 36,695	<u>36, 695</u> 49.235	31,802 66.167
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Total Liabilities	12,540		1,464,435	1,476,975	1,605,315
FUND EQUITY					
Appropriated	11,651		410,565	422,216	304,050
Unappropriated	<u>163,998</u>	\$4,259,131		4,423,129	4,418,192
Total Fund Equity	175,649	4,259,131	410,565	4,845,345	4,722,242
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$188,189	\$4,259,131	\$1,875,000	\$ <u>6,322,320</u>	\$ <u>6,327,557</u>

See Accountant's Review Report and Notes to Financial Statement

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NEW LONDON STATEMENT OF REVENUE FOR TH	4 4 4	OP1	2007	BUDGET	\$240,000	4.500		244,500		156,094	107,071	32,000	53,000	22,500	8 , 000	9,000	4,500	2,000	1,800	2,500	3,000	77.508	14,500	99,059	12,000		605,532	\$( <u>361,032</u> )				
STAT					Water Charges and Fees	Interest Other	Insurance Refund	Total Revenue	Operating Expenditures	Salaries and wages	Payroll taxes and benefits	Maintenance	Utilities	Precinct supplies	Insurance	Administration and contingency	Accounting	Legal	Election/Annual meetings	Engineering review	Equipment	Interest (long-term)	Lease	Note principal payments	Pump and tank maintenance	Payment in lieu of taxes	Total Expenditures	Operating (Loss)	Other Income	Precinct taxes		

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тота.	2007	(memorandum	12110	\$ 12,287	5,849							25,982	44,118	(12,769)	4,722,242	3,375 106,515 25,982	\$ <mark>4,845,345</mark>
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND PUMP STATION AND STORAGE TANK	2007											\$ <u>25,982</u>	25,982	(25,982)	304,050	106,515 <u>25,982</u>	\$410,565
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUND	2007														\$4,255,756	3,375	\$4,259,131
	2006	ACTUAL					\$ 4,942	20,000	1,981	25,039	19,932		71,894	(40,917)	203,353		\$ <u>162,436</u>
OPERATING FUND	2007	ACTUAL		\$ 12,287	5,849								18,136	13,213	162,436		\$ <u>175,649</u>
Ŭ	2	BUDGET		\$337,300	\$10,000	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$2,900	\$30,000	\$20,000	\$1,675,000					
			Expenditures, Current Year	special Articles 2007 Art. 2 - General Fund	2007 Art. 6 - General Fund	2007 Art. 7 - General Fund	2006 Art. 5 - General Fund	2006 Art. 6 - General Fund	2006 Art. 7 - General Fund	2006 Art. 8 - General Fund	2006 Art. 9 - General Fund	2005 Art. 2 - General Fund	Total Expenditures	Net (Loss)	Fund Balance, January 1, 2007	Transfer of Equipment Funding Transfer of Note Payment Funding Transfer of Capital Project Fund	Fund Balance, December 31, 2007

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### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	OPERATIN <mark>G</mark> FUND	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUND	CAPITAL PROJECT FUND PUMP STATION AND STORAGE TANK	<u>TOTAL</u> (memorandum only)
Cash Flows from Operating Activities				
Net (Loss)	\$ 13,213		\$(25,982)	\$(12,769)
(Increase) in accounts receivable	(7,115)			(7,115)
(Increase) in inventory	(1,884)			(1,884)
(Decrease) in accounts payable				
and accrued expense	<u>(7,120</u> )		<u>(14,704</u> )	(21,824)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(2,906)		(40,686)	(43,592)
Cash, January 1, 2007	158,819		<u>149,981</u>	<u>308,800</u>
Cash, December 31, 2007	\$ <u>155,913</u>		\$ <u>109,295</u>	\$ <u>265,208</u>

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### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct (Precinct) have been prepared on the accrual basis. The significant accounting policies followed are described below:

<u>Fund Accounting</u> - To ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the Precinct, the accounts of the Precinct are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. This is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds established according to their nature and purposes. Separate accounts are maintained for each fund; however, in the accompanying financial statements, funds that have similar characteristics have been combined into fund groups. Accordingly, all financial transactions have been recorded and reported by each fund group.

The assets, liabilities and fund balances of the Precinct are reported in selfbalancing fund groups as follows:

- o Operating Fund This fund serves as the general operating fund of the Precinct. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- Plant Fund This group of accounts is used to account for all fixed assets of the Precinct other than those being accounted for in the Capital Project Funds. These items are purchased through transfer from the Operating Fund.
- Capital Project Fund The fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the construction and equipping of a new pump station and storage tank.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> - The Precinct considers all short-term, highly liquid investments with remaining maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Depreciation</u> - Plant and equipment is stated at cost. Assets acquired by gift or bequest are recorded at the fair market value at the date of transfer. Depreciation is not provided for on the assets which is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles. Assets sold or otherwise disposed of are removed from the accounts at their original cost.

Inventory - The inventory of supplies are valued at cost.

<u>Total Columns</u> - The combined Financial Statements include a total column that is described as memorandum only. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Interfund transactions have not been eliminated from the total column of each financial statement.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

### NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Budgetary Data</u> - The Precinct budgets revenue, expenditures, and other sources and uses of the Operating Fund. Appropriations in the Operating Fund are charged for encumbrances when commitments are made. Fund balances are reserved for outstanding encumbrances, which serve as authorizations for expenditures in the subsequent year. Budgetary comparisons in the financial statements are presented on a modified accrual basis of accounting. All unencumbered budget appropriation lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

### NOTE 2 - CREDIT RISK

The Precinct cash was deposited in one institution during the year. At various times the amount on deposit in this institution exceeded the \$100,000 federally insured limit. As of December 31, 2007 and 2006 the deposits on hand were in excess of the insured limit by \$165,208 and \$237,694.

### NOTE 3 - Receivables

Receivables at December 31, 2007 and 2006 were comprised of the following:

	2007	<u>2006</u>
Customers Vendor	\$7,963 	\$835 <u>13</u>
	\$ <u>7,963</u>	\$ <u>848</u>

### NOTE 4 - PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Activity for the fixed assets which are capitalized by the Precinct are summarized below:

	BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2007	ADDITIONS	DISPOSAL	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2007
Facility	\$4,048,604			\$4,048,604
Equipment	194,612	\$ 3,375		197,987
Pump Station and Storage				
Tank Project Cost	1,739,724	<u>25,981</u>		<u>1,765,705</u>
	\$ <u>5,982,940</u>	\$ <u>29,356</u>		\$ <u>6,012,296</u>

Cost incurred for the Pump Station and Storage Tank Project by the Capital Project Fund are capitalized. Upon completion of the Project, the total cost will be transferred to the Plant and Equipment Fund.

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### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

### NOTE 5 - NOTE PAYABLE TO BANK

On April 4, 2005 the Precinct secured a 4.5% note payable from Lake Sunapee Bank for \$1,675,000. The loan was used to pay for construction cost associated with the new pump station and storage tank. The note agreement called for an interest only payment on the outstanding balance from May 2005 through November 2005. On December 4, 2005, the Precinct made a monthly principal and interest payment of \$8,486 that will continue through March 2031. The Precinct made an additional principal payment of \$74,713 on December 31, 2007. The outstanding loan balance at December 31, 2007 was \$1,464,435 and at December 31, 2006 was \$1,570,950.

Annual maturities of the note payable to bank are as follows:

Year	Amount
2008	\$ 36,695
2009	38,381
2010	40,144
2011	41,988
2012	43,917
Thereafter	1,263,310
	\$1,464,435

### NOTE 6 - COMMITMENT

In April, 1995, the Precinct reached a settlement with the Cleveland Company, Inc. over an eminent domain action for easements to Colby Point. The Precinct agreed to pay as just compensation \$25,000 upon delivery of the proper easement and ten annual payments of \$12,500. At the commencement of the eleventh year and each five years thereafter the annual payment will be adjusted based on the average of two factors; the Consumer Price Index and the percentage increase in gallonage pumped. In no event shall the annual payment be less than \$12,500 nor greater than 30% of \$12,500 for year 11 through 15 and 30% greater of the amount calculated in year 11 for years 16 through 20. At the expiration of 20 years, the Precinct shall have the option to renew the Agreement every five years up to ninety-nine years, upon the same terms and conditions except annual payments which shall be renegotiated. The lease payment for 2007 and 2006 were \$14,500 respectively.

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### **WP16**

# **CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT**

# 2007

FOR NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT 72 OLD DUMP ROAD NEW LONDON NH 03257

# Water Quality Report - 2007 New London/Springfield Water System Precinct

What is the water quality of my drinking water?

We strive to have our water meet federal and state requirements however in September 2007 we had I sample in 4 test positive for total coliform. We are unable to say why this sample was positive but have not had any positive samples since.

We will continue to work in your behalf in order to provide you with drinking water of the finest quality.

### What is the source of my water?

The water is provided from six (6) gravel-packed wells, drawing from an aquifer beneath Colby Point in the middle of Lake Sunapee. Why are contaminants in my water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the US Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-479]). How can I get involved?

The New London/Springfield Water System Precinct is served by an elected Board of Commissioners which meet the Monday of the first full week of each month at 7:00 p.m. These meetings, which the public is welcome to attend, are held at the Precinct office on Old Dump Rd. in New London. The Commissioners can be reached by calling 526-4441

Other information:

The New London/Springfield Water System Precinct was formed in 1925 to provide domestic water and fire protection for the towns of New London and some sections of Springfield. Originally the Precinct was served by Morgan Pond(a surface water source in Springfield) via Kidder Brook to two (2) man made reservoirs until May 1996. Since then, our water has been provided via the Colby Point wells and a one million -gallon storage tank located in Springfield. 2006 saw the completion of a second pump station and storage tank located on the Colby Sawyer campus. The Precinct's 30 miles of water mains currently service approximately 875 domestic and 150 commercial customers.

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. immune compromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ trans-plants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EP AICDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by

Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-479]).

**Definitions:** 

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. They are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

AL: Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

IT: Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level or the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Abbreviation

ppm: parts p ppb: parts pe ppt: parts pe

ns:	
er million	MFL: million fibers per liter
er billion	N/A: Not Applicable
r trillion	nd: not detectable at testing limits
er quadrillion	NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit

ppq: parts pe Sample Dates: The results for detected contaminants listed below are from the most recent monitoring done in compliance with regulations ending with the year 2007 Results prior to 2005 will include the date the sample was taken.

Radon: Radon is a radioactive gas that you can't see, taste or smell. It can move up through the ground and into a home through cracks and holes in the foundation. Radon can also get into indoor air when released from tap water from showering, washing dishes, and other household activities. It is a known human carcinogen. Breathing radon can lead to lung cancer. Drinking water containing radon may cause an increased risk of stomach cancer. Presently EP A is reviewing a standard for radon in water.

pCilL: pico curies per liter

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. It is monitored by surface water systems because it is a good indicator of water quality and thus helps measure the effectiveness of the treatment process. High turbidity can hinder the effectiveness of disinfectants.

Contaminant (Units)	Level Detected Violation	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination	Health Effects
	Yes or No				
Microbiological	Contaminants	3			
Total Coliform Bacteria	y I Somple Positive Sept of Retuitowere Negitive	<ul> <li>&gt; 40</li> <li>samples</li> <li>5% are</li> <li>positive,</li> <li>&lt; 40</li> <li>samples</li> <li>one is</li> <li>positive</li> </ul>	0	Naturally present in the environment	Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	NA	TT	N/A	Naturally present in the Environment	Total organic carbon (TOC) has no health effects. However, total organic carbon provides a medium for the formation of disinfection byproducts. These byproducts include trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAAs). Drinking water containing these byproducts in excess of the MCL may lead to adverse health effects, liver, or kidney problems, or nervous system effects, and may lead to an increased risk of getting cancer.
Turbidity (NTU)	NA	TT	N/A	Soil runoff	Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches.
Fecal Coliform And E. Coli Bacteria	NA	0	0	Human and animal fecal waste	Fecal coliforms and E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely- compromised immune systems.
Radioactive Cont	taminants				
Radon (pCi/L)	NNND	None	0	Erosion of natural deposits	Presently the US Environmental Protection Agency is reviewing the setting of a standard for radon in drinking water. See radon note above on page one of this report.
Compliance Gross Alpha pCi/L)	N I	15	0	Erosion of natural deposits	Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation know as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Uranium (ug/L)	N I	30	0	Erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer and kidney toxicity.

Combined Radium	N	5	0	Erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over	
(pCi/L)	< 1.0				many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.	
Inorganic Con	ntaminants					
Antimony (ppb)	ND	6	6	Discharge from petroleum; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder	Some people who drink water containing antimony well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience increases in blood cholesterol and decreases in blood sugar	
Arsenic (ppb)	ΝD	10	0	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes	(5 ppb through 10 ppb) While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems. (above 10 ppm) Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.	
Asbestos (MFL)	D	7	7	Decay of asbestos cement water mains; erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing asbestos in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of developing benign intestinal polyps.	
Barium (ppm)	.5	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.	
Beryllium (ppb)	ND	4	4	Discharge from metal refineries and coal- burning factories; discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries	Some people who drink water containing beryllium well in excess of the MCL over many years could develop intestinal lesions.	
Cadmium (ppb)	ΝD	5	5	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints	Some people who drink water containing cadmium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience kidney damage.	
Chromium (ppb)	ND	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits	Some people who use water containing chromium well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience allergic dermatitis.	
Copper (ppm)	• 419 AL= 0	AL=1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.	
Cyanide (ppb)	ND	200	200	Discharge from steel/metal factories;	Some people who drink water containing cyanide well in excess of the MCL over many	

		1	1	discharge from plastic	vers could experience nerve 1
				discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories	years could experience nerve damage or problems with their thyroid.
Fluoride (ppm)	ΝD	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Fluoride in drinking water at half the MCL or more may cause mottling of children's teeth, usually in children less than nine years old. Mottling also known as dental fluorosis, may include brown staining and/or pitting of the teeth., and occurs only in developing teeth before they erupt from the gums.
Lead (ppb)	З Number of Samples Above AL Was Ø	AL=15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits	(15 ppb in more than 5%) Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). (above 15 ppb) Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or
Mercury (inorganic) (ppb)	MD	2	2	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills; runoff from cropland	high blood pressure. Some people who drink water containing inorganic mercury well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience kidney damage.
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	. 8	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	(5 ppm through 10ppm) Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask for advice from your health care provider. (Above 10 ppm) Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.
Nitrite (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	ND	1	1	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrite in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill, and if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.
Selenium (ppm)	DU	50	50	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits;	Selenium is an essential nutrient. However, some people who drink water containing selenium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience hair or fingernail

~				discharge from mines	losses, numbness in fingers or toes, or problems with their circulation.
Thallium (ppb) Synthetic Organ	N D ic Contamin	2 ants includ	0.5 ling Pesticido	Leaching from ore- processing sites; discharge from electronics, glass and drug factories es and Herbicides	Some people who drink water containing thallium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience hair loss, changes in their blood, or problems with their kidneys, intestines or liver.
	1			Runoff from herbicides	
2,4-D (ppb)	ND	70	70	used on row crops	Some people who drink water containing the weed killer 2,4-D well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their kidneys, liver, or adrenal glands.
2,4,5-TP (Silvex) (ppb)	ND	50	50	Residue of banned herbicide	Some people who drink water containing silvex in excess of the MCL over many years could experience liver problems.
Acrylamide	ND	TT	0	Added in water during sewage/wastewater treatment	Some people who drink water containing high levels of acrylamide over a long period of time could have problems with their nervous system or blood, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Alachlor (ppb)	ND	2	0	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops	Some people who drink water containing alachlor in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their eyes, liver, kidneys, or spleen, or experience anemia, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Atrazine (ppb)	ND	3	3	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops	Some people who drink water containing atrazine well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their cardiovascular system or reproductive difficulties.
Benzo(a)pyrene (PAH) (ppt)	ŊD	200	0	Leaching from linings of water storage tanks and distribution lines	Some people who drink water containing benzo(a)pyrene in excess of the MCL over many years may experience reproductive difficulties and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Carborfuran (ppb)	DU	40	40	Leaching of soil fumigant used on rice and alfalfa	Some people who drink water containing carbofuran in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their blood, or nervous or productive systems.
Chlordane (ppb)	DN	2	0	Residue of banned termiticide	Some people who drink water containing chlordane in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Dalapon (ppb)	ND	200	200	Runoff from herbicide used on rights of way	Some people who drink water containing dalapon well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience minor kidney changes.
Di(2-ethylhexyl) adipate (ppb)	ND	400	400	Discharge from chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing (Di 2-ethylhexyl) adipate well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience toxic effects such as weight loss, liver enlargement or possible reproductive difficulties.
Di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (ppb)	ND	6	0	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate in excess of the MCL over many years may have problems with their liver, or experience reproductive difficulties, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Dibromo-		200	0	Runoff/leaching from soil	Some people who drink water containing
chloropropane				fumigant used on soybeans, cotton,	DBCP in excess of the MCL over many years
(ppt)	ND			pineapples, and orchards	could experience reproductive problems and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Dinoseb		7	7	Runoff from herbicide	Some people who drink water containing
(ppb)				used on soybeans and	dinoseb well in excess of the MCL over many
	ND			vegetables	years could experience reproductive difficulties.
Diquat		20	20	Runoff from herbicide	Some people who drink water containing
(ppb)	ND			use	diquat in excess of the MCL over many years
Dioxin		30	0	Emissions from waste	could get cataracts. Some people who drink water containing
[2,3,7,8-TCDD]	10	50	0	incineration and other	dioxin in excess of the MCL over many years
(ppq)	ND			combustion; discharge	could experience reproductive difficulties and
				from chemical factories	may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Endrin		2	2	Residue of banned	Some people who drink water containing
(ppb)	ND			insecticide	endrin in excess of the MCL over many years
					could experience liver problems.
Ethylene dilumida (EDD)		50	0	Discharge from	Some people who drink water containing
dibromide(EDB)				petroleum refineries	ethylele dibromide in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with
(ppt)	ND				their liver, stomach, reproductive system, or
					kidneys, and may have an increased risk of
					getting cancer.
Glyphosate		700	700	Runoff from herbicide	Some people who drink water containing
(ppb)	ND			use	glyphosate in excess of the MCL over many
					years could experience problems with their
YY 4 1.3		100	0	Residue of banned	kidneys or reproductive difficulties.
Heptachlor		400	0	termiticide	Some people who drink water containing heptachlor in excess of the MCL over many
(ppt)	ND				years could experience liver damage and may
					have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Heptachlor-		200	0	Breakdown of heptachlor	Some people who drink water containing
epoxide					heptachlor epoxide in excess of the MCL over
(ppt)	ND				many years could experience liver damage,
-					and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Hexachloro-		1	0	Discharge from metal	Some people who drink water containing
benzene				refineries and agricultural	hexachlorobenzene in excess of the MCL over
(ppb)	ND			chemical factories	many years could experience problems with
					their kidneys, or adverse reproductive effects, and may have an increased risk of getting
					cancer.
Lindane		200	200	Runoff/leaching from	Some people who drink water containing
(ppt)	ND			insecticide used on cattle,	lindane in excess of the MCL over many years
	ND ND			lumber, gardens	could experience problems with their kidneys
		10	10	D 000 11 0	or liver.
Methoxychlor		40	40	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on fruits,	Some people who drink water containing methoxychlor in excess of the MCL over
(ppb)	ND			vegetables, alfalfa,	many years could experience reproductive
	10.0			livestock	difficulties.
Oxamyl		200	200	Runoff/leaching from	Some people who drink water containing
(Vydate)	10			insecticide used on	oxamyl in excess of the MCL over many years
(ppb)	ND			apples, potatoes, and	could experience slight nervous system effects.
		600	0	tomatoes	Come recente subscituinte subscituinte
PCBs		500	0	Runoff from landfills;	Some people who drink water containing PCBs in excess of the MCL over many years
(Polychlorinated biphenyls)	ND			discharge of waste chemicals	could experience changes in their skin,
(ppt)				University and a second	problems with their thymus gland, immune
					deficiencies, or reproductive or nervous
					system difficulties, and may have an increased
					risk of getting cancer.

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Penta- chlorophenol (ppb)	ND		0	Discharge from wood preserving factories	Some people who drink water containing pentachlorophenol in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or kidneys, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Picloram (ppb)	ND	500	500	Herbicide runoff	Some people who drink water containing picloram in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
Simazine (ppb)	ND	4	4	Herbicide runoff	Some people who drink water containing simazine in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their blood.
Toxaphene (ppb)	ND	3	0	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cotton and cattle	Some people who drink water containing toxaphene in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their kidneys, liver, or thyroid, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Volatile Organic	Contamina	nts			
Benzene (ppb)	ND	5	0	Discharge from factories; leaching from gas storage tanks and landfills	Some people who drink water containing benzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience anemia or a decrease in blood platelets, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Bromate (ppb)	ND	10	0	By-product of drinking- water chlorination	Some people who drink water containing bromate in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Carbon tetrachlorude (ppb)	DU	5	0	Discharge from chemical plants and other industrial activities	Some people who drink water containing carbon tetrachloride in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Chloro- benzene (ppb)	ND	100	100	Discharge from chemical and agricultural chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing chlorobenzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or kidneys.
Chloramines (ppm)	DU	MRDL = 4	MRDL G =4	Water additive used to control microbes	Some people who use water containing chloramines well in excess of the MRDL could experience irritating effects to their eyes and nose. Some people who drink water containing chloramines well in excess of the MRDL could experience stomach discomfort or anemia.
Chlorine (ppm)	an	MRDL = 4	MRDL G = 4	Water additive used to control microbes	Some people who use water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience irritating effects to their eyes and nose. Some people who drink water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience stomach discomfort.
Chlorite (ppm)	ND	1	.8	By-product of drinking water chlorination	Some infants and young children who drink water containing chlorite in excess of the MCL could experience nervous systems effects. Similar effects may occur in fetuses of pregnant women who drink water containing chlorite in excess of the MCL. Some people may experience anemia.
Chlorine dioxide (ppb)	ND	MRDL = 800	MRDL G=800	Water additive used to control microbes	Some infants and young children who drink water containing chlorine dioxide in excess of the MRDL could experience nervous system effects. Similar effects may occur in fetuses of

					pregnant women who drink water containing chlorine dioxide in excess of the MRDL. Some people may experience anemia.
o-Dichloro- benzene (ppb)	ND	600	600	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing o- dichlorobenzene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or circulatory systems.
p-Dichloro- benzene (ppb)	ND	75	75	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing p- dichlorobenzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience anemia, damage to their liver, kidneys, or spleen, or changes in their blood.
1,2-Dichloro- ethane (ppb)	ND	5	0	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,2- dichloroethane in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
1,1- Dichloro- ethylene (ppb)	GN	7	7	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,1- dichloroethylele in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
cis-1,2- Dichloro- ethylene (ppb)	ND	70	70	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing cis- 1,2-dichloroethylele in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
Trans-1,2- Dichloro- ethylene (ppb)	ND	100	100	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing trans-1,2-dichloroethylene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
Dichloro- methane (ppb)	ND	5	0	Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing dichloromethane in excess of the MCL over many years could have liver problems and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
1,2- Dichloropropane (ppb)	ND	5	0	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,2- dichloropropane in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Ethylbenzene (ppb)	DU	700	700	Discharge from petroleum factories	Some people who drink water containing ethylbenzene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or kidneys.
Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	ND	60	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection	Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Methyl tertiary- butyl ether (MTBE) (ppb)	ND	13	13	A gasoline additive	The New Hampshire Bureau of Health Risk Assessment considers MTBE a possible human carcinogen.
Styrene (ppb)	ND	100	100	Discharge from rubber and plastic factories; leaching from landfills	Some people who drink water containing styrene well in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their liver, kidneys, or circulatory system.
Tetrachloroethyl ene (ppb)	טע	5	0	Leaching from PVC pipes; discharge from factories and dry cleaners	Some people who drink water containing tetrachloroethylelen in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their liver, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
1,2,4- Trichlorobenzene (ppb)	ND	70	70	Discharge from textile- finishing factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience changes in their adrenal glands.

1,1,1- Trichloroethane (ppb)	ND	200	200	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,1,1-trichloroethane in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver, nervous system, or circulatory system.
1,1,2- Trichloroethane (ppb)	ND	5	3	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,1,2- trichloroethane well in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their liver and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
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TTHM (Take total of contaminants below) Bromodichlorom ethane Bromoform Dibromomethane Chloroform (ppb)	ND	80	N/A	By-product of drinking water chlorination	Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Toluene (ppm)	D	1	1	Discharge from petroleum factories	Some people who drink water containing toluene well in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their nervous system, kidneys, or liver.
Vinyl Chloride (ppb)	DU	2	0	Leaching from PVC piping; discharge from plastic factories	Some people who drink water containing vinyl chloride in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Xylenes (total contaminants listed below) M/P-Xylenes O-Xlyene (ppm)	ND	10	10	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing xylenes in excess of the MCL over many years could experience damage to their nervous system.

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### **Source Water Assessment Summary:**

The NH Department of Environmental Services has prepared a Source Water Assessment Report for the source serving this community water system, assessing the sources' vulnerability to contamination. The results of the assessment, prepared on (2001), are as follows:

(GPW1 Lower Northeast), received (0) high susceptibility ratings, (0) medium susceptibility ratings, and (12) low susceptibility ratings.

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(GPW Upper Northwest), received (0) high susceptibility ratings, (0) medium susceptibility ratings, and (12) low susceptibility ratings.

The complete Assessment Report is available for review at (NLSWSP@72 Old Dump Rd). For more information call (Pam@ 526-4441) or visit NH Department of Environmental Services Drinking Water Source Water Assessment Program web site at <a href="http://www.des.state.nh.us/dwspp">www.des.state.nh.us/dwspp</a>

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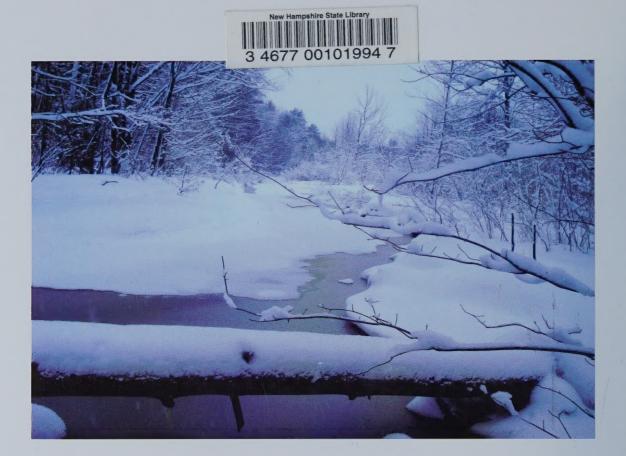
Assessment of Property	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 20	landuse@nl-nh.com
Beach Parking Permits	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Beach Programs and Activities	Recreation Department	526-6401	recreation@nl-nh.com
Birth Certificates	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Boat Registration	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Building Permits	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	zoning@nl-nh.com
Burn Permits	Dispatch/Communications	526-2626	
Death Certificates	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Election and Voter Information	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
False Alarm Reporting	Dispatch/Communications	526-2626	<u> </u>
Footpath/Hiking Maps	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 10	office@nl-nh.com
Hazardous Waste	Public Works Department	526-6337	nlhd@tds.net
Health Concerns/Violations	Donald Bent, Health Officer	526-4761	dfbent@tds.net
Home Business Permits	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	zoning@nl-nh.com
Maps of Town/Tax Maps	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 10	office@nl-nh.com
Motor Vehicle Registration	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Passports	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Planning/Zoning Concerns	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	zoning@nl-nh.com
Property Tax Payments	Tax Collector's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Recycling Information	Transfer Station	526-9499	nlhd@tds.net
Roads, Streets and Sidewalks	Public Works Department	526-6337	nlhd@tds.net
Sewer/Wastewater Questions	Public Works Department	526-6337	nlhd@tds.net
Sign Permits	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	zoning@nl-nh.com
Temporary Beach/Dump Permits	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 10	office@nl-nh.com
Town Hall/Conference Room Use	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 10	office@nl-nh.com
Transfer Station Permits	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Transfer Station Questions	Transfer Station	526-9499	nlhd@tds.net
Voter Registration	Town Clerk's Office	526-4821 ext. 11	tctc@nl-nh.com
Welfare Assistance	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 10	office@nl-nh.com
Zoning Ordinances	Selectmen's Office	526-4821 ext. 10	office@nl-nh.com

### The Selectmen's Office and Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office will be closed on the following holidays:

Tuesday, January 1, 2008	N
Monday, January 21, 2008	$\mathbf{N}$
Monday, February 18, 2008	P
Monday, May 26, 2008	$\mathbb{N}$
Friday, July 4, 2008	Ir
Monday, September 1, 2008	L
Monday, October 13, 2008	С
Thursday, November 27 & Friday, November 28, 2008	Т
Thursday, December 25, 2008 & Friday, December 26, 2008	С

New Years Day Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Presidents Day Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Day Columbus Day Thanksgiving Christmas

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# **TOWN OF NEW LONDON**

TOWN ELECTION Tuesday, March 11, 2008 Whipple Memorial Town Hall Polls open 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, March 12, 2008 Kearsarge Regional Middle School 7:00 PM

# **NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**

ANNUAL MEETING Tuesday, March 18, 2008 Polls open 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM Meeting opens 4:00 PM; recesses at 4:15 PM Meeting reconvenes at 7:00 PM