
FRANCESTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS, DEPARTMENTS,
AND COMMITTEES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2017



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Animal Control

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Emergency: **DIAL 911**

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Highway Department

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Transfer Station

248 Todd Road, PO Box 5

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Building Inspector

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By Appointment

Library

52 Main Street, PO Box 69

Phone: 547-2730

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Hours: Sun & Mon—Closed

Tues 2—7:30pm

Wed 10—5pm

Thurs 2—7pm

Fri 12—5pm

Sat 9—12:30pm

Police Department

15 New Boston Road, PO Box 26

Emergency: **DIAL 911**

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Board of Selectmen

Brad Howell
Abigail Arnold
Henry Kunhardt

Town Administrator

Jamie A Pike

Population

1562
(US Census 2010)

Total area

30.7 square miles
(0.5 sq./mi. water)
(30.2 sq./mi. land)

On the Cover:

The Francestown Improvement and Historical Society held its 100th Labor Day celebration on Monday, September 4, 2017. Pictured is Sonny Hardwick honoring Hob & Nob Farm and the past 100 years of farming and agriculture in Francestown.

Photo by Elly Miles

Town of Francestown

New Hampshire



The Transfer Station crew, George Cilley, Heather Ayers and George Morgan Sr. (not pictured), thank everyone for their support of the new office that is now rodent free. Always smiling and ready with a helping hand, we thank our crew for their hard work and dedication.

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TOWN ELECTED OFFICERS

TERM EXPIRES

MODERATOR

Paul H Lawrence 2019

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Brad Howell 2018

Henry Kunhardt 2019

Abigail Arnold 2020

TREASURER

Molly Cook 2019

Charles Pyle, Deputy

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Pamela Finnell 2019

Cathy Heinzman, Deputy

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Janet Hicks 2018

Deborah Rogers 2018

Paul Lawrence 2019

Elizabeth H Lavalley 2019

Robin Haubrich 2020

Mindy Pobst, Alt 2018

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Silas Little 2018

Kevin Pobst 2019

Jo-Ann Miller 2020

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMIN.

Thomas P Anderson, Jr. 2018

TERM EXPIRES

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Thomas P Anderson Jr. 2018

Catherine Gombas 2020

Barbara J Carbee 2022

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Polly Freese 2018

Ethel B MacStubbs 2019

Ruth Behrsing 2020

FIREWARDS

Lawrence Kullgren 2018

David Kullgren 2018

Brian Delahanty 2018

Celeste Lunetta 2018

David Hanlon 2018

PLANNING BOARD

Linda Kunhardt 2018

Lawrence Ames 2018

Robert Lindgren 2019

Lisa Stewart 2019

Betsy Hardwick 2020

Sarah Hibbard Pyle 2020

Abigail Arnold, Ex-Officio 2020

Ruth Behrsing, Alt 2019

Karen Fitzgerald, Alt 2020

STATE SENATOR

Ruth Ward

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Carol R Roberts

Kermit R Williams

Richard D McNamara

John J Valera

TOWN APPOINTED OFFICIALS

TERM EXPIRES

BUDGET & ADVISORY COMMITTEE

John Thalhauser	2018
Thomas Anderson	2018
Charlie Pyle	2019
Judith Miller	2019
Stewart Brock	2020

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Don Crooker	2018
Karen Fitzgerald	2018
Karin Holmes	2019
Betsy Hardwick	2019
Scot Heath	2020
Don Shuffleton	2020
Kelly Marshall	2020
Polly Freese, Alt	2018
James St. Jean, Alt	2019
George Sanderson, Alt	2020

HERITAGE COMMISSION

Lisa Stewart	2018
Brad Howell, Ex-Officio	2018
Michele Ferencsik	2019
Ruth Behrsing	2019
Barbara Caskie	2020
Barbara J Carbee, Alt	2018
Elsbeth Miles, Alt	2019

KEEPERS OF THE CLOCK

Benjamin Cook
Daniel Grady
Warren Kiblin
Silas Little

TERM EXPIRES

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Richard Roberts	2018
Polly Freese	2019
Scott Carbee	2020

RECREATION COMMISSION

Donna Noonan (Resigned)	
Robert Rokes	2019
Benjamin Cook	2019
Mike Beisang	2019
Thomas Kirlin	2020
Dawn Kirlin	2020

SOUTHERN NH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Scot Heath	2019
Prescott G Tolman	2021
Jennifer Vadney, Alternate	2019
Rebecca Harris, Alternate	2021

WASTE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Edward Graham	2018
Becky Moul	2019
Lee Davis	2020
Michael Tartalis	2020

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Silas Little	2018
Sue Jonas	2018
Scot Heath	2019
Cindy St. Jean	2020
Ralph Lavallee	2020
Kevin Pobst, Alt	2018
Marcia Tripp, Alt	2019
Janet Hicks, Alt	2020

2018 TOWN MEETING

WARRANT

TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Francestown in the County of Hillsborough in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, 2 New Boston Road, in the Town of Francestown on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. to act upon the following subject. The voting on Article 1 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 a.m. and shall not close before 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By Official Ballot)

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified that the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Francestown Town Hall, Saturday, March 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., at which time the Town will act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE 2:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS (\$1,793,460) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate SIX HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$602,800) to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds in the following manner:

\$25,000	Future Repair and Replacement of Bridges
\$7,500	Future Replacement of Fire Equipment
\$150,000	Future Replacement of Fire Trucks
\$150,000	Future Replacement and Purchase of Highway Equipment
\$15,000	Future Replacement of Police Vehicles

\$15,000	Future Revaluation of Real Estate
\$70,000	Future Town Facilities Improvements
\$300	Future Cemetery Improvements
\$170,000	Future Town Road Improvements

And authorize the withdrawal of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200,300) from the unassigned fund balance and the balance of FOUR HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$402,500) to be raised by general taxation. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate TWELVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$12,300) to be added to the Expendable Trust Funds in the following manner:

\$10,000	Legal & Public Assistance Trust Fund
\$2,000	Master Plan Trust Fund
\$300	General Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund

Said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate TWO HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$215,000) to complete Town Facility projects generally outlined as:

\$170,000	Police Station Improvements
\$45,000	Town Hall Exterior Painting and Other Improvements

Said funds to come from the Future Town Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 3-1.

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000) to purchase replacement Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units and components. Such sum to be raised by the acceptance of a donation of up to TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) from the Mt. Crotchet Firefighters' Association and the balance of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000) to be withdrawn from the Future Replacement of Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to change the terms of Fire Wards and the Public Assistance Administrator from one year to three years beginning with the 2019 election. The initial terms of Fire Wards shall be staggered so that no more than 2 elections occur annually. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0.

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate FIFTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$52,000) to purchase and outfit a police cruiser, said funds to come from the Future Replacement of Police Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000) to purchase a dump/plow truck, said funds to come from the Future Replacement of Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) to purchase replacement emergency communication radio units and components. Such sum to be raised by the acceptance of a donation of up to FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000) from the Mt. Crotchet Firefighters' Association and the balance of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) to be withdrawn from the Future Replacement of Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to purchase a backhoe, said funds to come from the Future Replacement of Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND (\$170,000) to perform necessary engineering and reconstruction activities for that portion of Bible Hill Road northerly from its intersection with the New Boston Road, said funds to come from the Future Town Road improvements Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$5,600) to purchase, outfit and operate an electronic ballot counter, said funds to come from general taxation. Future expenses related to the operation of the ballot counter will be included in the general operating budget. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$3,750) to contribute up to 50% of the cost of the new basement floor at the Heritage Museum. Such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$3,750) from the Future Town Facilities Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000) to rehabilitate recreational fields, said funds to come from general taxation. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0 and the Budget & Advisory Committee recommends this article 4-0.

ARTICLE 16:

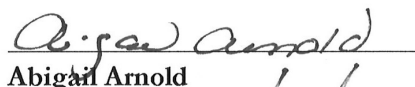
To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

Given under our hands and seal this Twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eighteen.

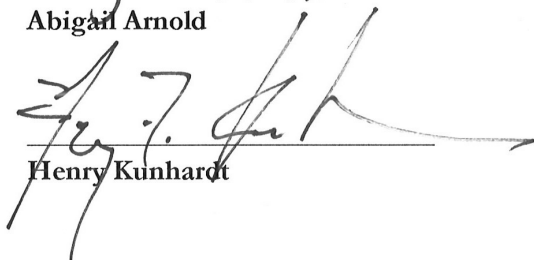
Franeestown Board of Selectmen



Brad Howell, Chairman



Abigail Arnold



Henry Kunhardt

2018 BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-636)

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
General Government						
4130-4139	Executive	02	\$98,066	\$89,469	\$97,176	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	02	\$3,048	\$2,492	\$6,346	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	02	\$77,935	\$76,367	\$78,895	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	02	\$11,500	\$7,955	\$11,700	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	02	\$22,000	\$12,784	\$17,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	02	\$188,598	\$159,232	\$163,416	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	02	\$6,250	\$2,663	\$6,175	\$0
4194	General Government	02	\$69,476	\$55,399	\$85,806	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	02	\$13,115	\$12,405	\$13,115	\$0
4196	Insurance	02	\$30,329	\$30,329	\$25,385	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	02	\$2,665	\$2,520	\$2,666	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$522,982	\$451,615	\$507,680	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	02	\$195,889	\$190,393	\$195,536	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	02	\$45,300	\$45,299	\$55,110	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	02	\$64,735	\$63,296	\$71,555	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	02	\$8,260	\$8,293	\$9,355	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	02	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$314,684	\$307,281	\$332,056	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4312	Highways and Streets	02	\$416,370	\$403,547	\$422,875	\$0
4313	Bridges	02	\$5,000	\$1,853	\$5,000	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	02	\$3,600	\$3,917	\$3,600	\$0
4319	Other	02	\$78,500	\$69,726	\$78,500	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$503,470	\$479,043	\$509,975	\$0
Sanitation						
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	02	\$124,925	\$125,478	\$129,790	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	02	\$3,500	\$4,256	\$4,500	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$128,425	\$129,734	\$134,290	\$0
Health						
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	02	\$9,455	\$9,470	\$9,755	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$9,455	\$9,470	\$9,755	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	02	\$26,190	\$36,144	\$36,190	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$26,190	\$36,144	\$36,190	\$0

2017 BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-636)

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Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	02	\$34,305	\$31,417	\$34,480	\$0
4550-4559	Library	02	\$75,574	\$73,687	\$80,669	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	02	\$1,200	\$1,206	\$1,200	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$111,079	\$106,310	\$116,349	\$0
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	02	\$1,456	\$643	\$1,456	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	02	\$27,611	\$19,787	\$35,380	\$0
Conservation and Development			\$29,067	\$20,430	\$36,836	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	02	\$67,500	\$50,000	\$85,000	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	02	\$31,828	\$24,570	\$25,328	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes -	02	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$99,329	\$74,570	\$110,329	\$0
Total Operating Budget			\$1,744,681	\$1,614,597	\$1,793,460	\$0

Special Warrant Articles

4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	06	\$10,000	\$9,155	\$10,000	\$0
Purpose: Fire Dept SCBA Replacement						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	08	\$3,200	\$3,185	\$52,000	\$0
Purpose: Police Radar/Cruiser						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	09	\$175,000	\$162,055	\$75,000	\$0
Purpose: Highway Trucks						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	10	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
Purpose: Fire Dept. Radios						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	11	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Purpose: Highway Backhoe						
4903	Buildings	05	\$125,000	\$0	\$215,000	\$0
Purpose: Town Facilities Improvements						
4903	Buildings	14	\$0	\$0	\$3,750	\$0
Purpose: Museum Basement Floor						
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	12	\$170,000	\$67,217	\$170,000	\$0
Purpose: Town Roads and Bridges						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	03	\$629,900	\$629,900	\$602,800	\$0
Purpose: Transfer to Capital Reserve Funds						
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	04	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$12,300	\$0
Purpose: Transfer to Legal & Public Assistance Fund						
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$1,138,100	\$896,512	\$1,215,850	\$0

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Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	13	\$0	\$0	\$5,600	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Ballot Counter</i>					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	15	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Baseball Field</i>					
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$0	\$0	\$10,600	\$0

Budget Summary

Item	Prior Year	Ensuing FY (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$1,744,681	\$1,793,460
Special Warrant Articles	\$1,139,300	\$1,215,850
Individual Warrant Articles	\$753,200	\$10,600
Total Appropriations	\$3,637,181	\$3,019,910
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,985,199	\$1,353,445
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,651,982	\$1,666,465

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Revenues					
Account	Source	Article	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$16,471	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	02	\$5,000	\$15,449	\$5,000
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$54	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	02	\$40,000	\$71,652	\$40,000
Taxes Subtotal			\$45,000	\$103,626	\$45,000
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		\$0	\$25	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	02	\$250,000	\$322,397	\$265,000
3230	Building Permits	02	\$8,000	\$11,539	\$9,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and	02	\$15,000	\$16,243	\$14,500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$273,000	\$350,204	\$288,500
State Sources					
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax	02	\$80,517	\$80,517	\$80,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	02	\$95,373	\$95,371	\$95,000
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	02	\$207,383	\$205,037	\$8,095
State Sources Subtotal			\$383,273	\$380,925	\$183,095
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	02	\$19,000	\$18,451	\$18,000
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$19,000	\$18,451	\$18,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$0	\$600	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	02	\$600	\$1,573	\$600
3503-3509	Other	02, 06, 10	\$431,400	\$306,875	\$11,400
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$432,000	\$309,048	\$12,000
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	06, 09, 08, 14, 10, 05, 12, 11	\$478,000	\$237,772	\$593,750
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	02	\$500	\$0	\$500
Interfund Operating Transfers In			\$478,500	\$237,772	\$594,250
Other Financing Sources					
9998	Amount Voted from Fund	04, 03	\$335,600	\$335,600	\$212,600
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$14,426	\$14,426	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$350,026	\$350,026	\$212,600
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$1,980,799	\$1,750,052	\$1,353,445

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Brad Howell, Chairman

The 100th Anniversary Labor Day Celebration highlighted a successful year in Francestown. The best-ever parade, a fantastic fireworks show, the juried art fair, and the other crowd-drawing festivities wonderfully showcased our historic village. The newly restored “Beehive” with its exquisite historical collection that was finished just in time for the celebration reminded us that much of the best work in Town is done by volunteers. The Select Board wishes to thank the Francestown Improvement and Historical Society (FIHS) and the many volunteers, financial contributors and participants for making this a memorable event and for having the vision and for raising the funds to restore the Beehive.

On November 3rd we raised a toast to the newly renovated Town Hall at the dedication and reception hosted by the Heritage Commission. A week later the Town Hall’s first floor hall was filled with residents paying tribute to those who have served our country at the Veterans Day Luncheon put on by the Patriotic Purposes Committee. The Select Board would like to thank the many organizations, foundation and individuals for their generous contributions, and the taxpayers for voting to appropriate town funds for the project, and the many residents and friends who provided support for the revitalization of our Town’s flagship building.

Ultimately, the Town Hall project will only be judged a success if the building is fully utilized. This year, for the first time in many years, the elections and the Annual Town Meeting will be held at the Town Hall. In addition to the Veterans Day luncheon the building has been used for the Cub Scout graduation, two Library presentations, and the PLC annual meeting. FIHS has scheduled the Town Hall for a series of fund raising events for the store. A Town Hall events calendar and new policies for use of the Town Hall are posted on the Town’s website.

In 2018 we hope to have the exterior of the Town Hall painted and to have an auxiliary heater installed in the basement to make sure a safe temperature is maintained during brutally cold winter periods. Plans also call for adding a transfer switch to allow a generator to be used to run the electrical system during power outages. The Select Board recommends voter approval of Warrant Article 5 which includes a \$45,000 appropriation to be taken from capital reserve funds for the exterior painting and other building needs. Storm windows will be purchased and installed in the spring of 2018 from unused project contingency funds.

In 2017 we also made progress on other building projects. The small transfer station building was replaced. The new building, with its block foundation and cement board siding, promises to be much more rodent resistant and gives our hardworking and helpful transfer station employees a clean and safe office and a place to take shelter from the elements.

Seventeen of the Library’s historical windows were restored. However, the final painting remains to be done which should be completed this Spring and will be paid for with encumbered funds. We would like to extend our best wishes to Mary Farrell, the children’s librarian, who left for another position. Until this part-time position is filled, existing staff and volunteers will perform the duties.

We were unable to start the Police Station Rehabilitation Project in 2017, but with voter approval at this year’s Town Meeting, the renovations will begin this Spring. An architect, retained by the Town, developed plans to upgrade the building, meeting the requirements of a

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modern police department. Bids were solicited in the Fall of 2017, but unfortunately came in higher than the \$125,000 appropriation approved by the voters in 2017. The design specifications include new exterior insulation, new and updated heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, remodeled bathrooms and an improved layout with confidential, safe and secure work areas. The plans have been reviewed and revised and the cost, including a contingency, is \$170,000. The Select Board is recommending passage of Warrant Article 5, which includes an appropriation of \$170,000 for this project to be taken from capital reserve funds. The Police Department continues to serve our community well under the direction of Chief Fred Douglas and deserves our support.

There were some staff changes in the Police Department in 2017. Officer Zamachaj resigned, but with the hiring of experienced part-time officer, Mike Dowd, there was no disruption in coverage. Currently, the department is staffed with five part-time officers including Chief Douglas. The mobile radar speed detection unit was purchased and has been set up at various locations in the village, reminding us when our speeds are excessive. This year one of the police cruisers is due for replacement. The Select Board is recommending voter approval of an appropriation of \$52,000 to purchase and outfit the new cruiser with funds to be taken from the capital reserve funds (Warrant Article 8).

In 2017, as always, the Highway Department kept its dedicated crew busy with maintaining, grading, plowing, salting and sanding our 60 miles of roads. In 2017 the Highway Department began the first phase of the planned multi-year Bible Hill Road reconstruction project with culvert replacement, drainage improvements and the paving of Hay Hill Road. The project will continue in 2018 with the reconstruction of approximately one mile of Bible Hill Road. The Select Board recommends passage of Warrant Article 12, the \$170,000 appropriation for this project which will be withdrawn from capital reserve funds. In 2017, the Department took delivery of a new six-wheeled dump truck, which replaced a worn out vehicle. This year the Select Board seeks voter approval for the scheduled replacement of a one-ton dump/plow truck and the purchase of a used backhoe (Warrant Articles 9 & 11). In both instances the funding will come from capital reserve funds. Presently, the Highway Department does not have a backhoe, and having one will reduce the amount of subcontracted work.

For many years, one of Town's biggest economic challenges has been the number of bridges that need to be replaced. This year we have made significant headway. A civil engineering firm has been retained by the Town and has begun the process of performing engineering studies and developing design options for the replacement of the "red-listed" bridge on South New Boston Road. The South New Boston Road Bridge is the next bridge on the red list eligible for State replacement funds. Much preliminary work is still to be done, but our hope is that this bridge will be replaced in 2019. In late 2017 the Town received an unexpected State highway block grant that was used to replace the red-listed bridge on Old County North with a temporary bridge. Eventually, the Old County Road North Bridge must be replaced with a permanent structure. However, State funds will not be available for such a project until 2025 or later. In the meantime we have a serviceable, safe temporary bridge to carry the heavy traffic load. When the temporary bridge is no longer needed on Old County Road North, it will be saved by

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the Highway Department for use on future projects.

We are also fortunate to have a great Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, and our thanks go out to the many dedicated volunteers who spend countless hours responding to fires, medical emergencies, rescues, maintaining equipment, and undergoing training. Dedicated, well trained with rapid response times, our volunteer fire fighters do so much to keep us safe and to aid those in need. This past year the Fire Department purchased two self-contained breathing apparatuses (SCBA), and this year the Select Board recommends passage of Warrant Article 6 for the purchase of two more SCBA units in accordance with the long term replacement plan. The Select Board is also recommending passage of Warrant Article 10 for the appropriation to purchase replacement emergency communication radios and components. The recommended operating budget also contains funding for stipends for the officers and for the clerk.

One of the unappreciated tasks in Town is the counting and tabulating of paper ballots and the completing of the reporting requirements. With the number of candidates and ballot questions this is an important but tedious task that takes many hands, clear minds and long hours after the polls close. The Town Clerk and the Moderator and many people who participate in the grueling process deserve our thanks. The Select Board recommends passage of Warrant Article 15 for the appropriation of \$5,600 from general taxation funds for the purchase, set up and operation of an electronic ballot counter. An electronic counter will greatly simplify and speed up the process, and reduce the number of people needed to count the ballots and to tabulate the results.

Last summer the Scoby Pond milfoil mitigation program continued with herbicide treatment and diver assisted suction harvesting (DASH). The Pleasant Pond Lake Host Program continued to prevent an infestation in that water body. This year there are no separate warrant articles with respect to Scoby Pond or Pleasant Pond. The expenditures for both programs in 2018 have been included in the proposed operating budget because they are a continuing, annual need and they have always received wide support. Grants will continue to help defray some of the costs. Finally, the Select Board was able to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with the landowner to allow for the continued public use of the unimproved boat landing at Scoby Pond.

Donna Noonan resigned as recreation director, and we wish to thank her for her many years of service. The Town is currently looking to the fill that position. The Select Board is recommending passage of Warrant Article 15 for the appropriation of \$5,000 from general taxation to rejuvenate the ball field.

At the Heritage Museum a lot of hard work has gone into the displays of antique carriages, wagons, hearses, firefighting equipment, tools and farm implements that tell us so much about how people lived and worked in Francestown in the past. We thank the curators for their efforts, and recommend passage of Warrant Article 13 to provide \$3,750 from capital reserves to fund up to 50% of the cost of pouring a cement floor in the basement to make more room available to display the Museum's ever-growing collection.

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In the front office, Administrator Jamie Pike has worked diligently to make certain the Town runs efficiently on a day-to-day basis, to ensure that Town projects go forward smoothly, and to help prepare the budget for the upcoming year. For example, to keep our community better informed, he revised the Town website by setting up four calendars-a Public Meetings Calendar, a Library Calendar, a Town Hall Calendar, and a Community Calendar. Representatives of town-based groups are allowed access to the Community Calendar to post their upcoming events. Finally, longtime resident Kim Dalley was hired as an administrative assistant, to help Jamie with his heavy workload. She came with a wealth of experience and we welcome her.

Although the closing of the Village Store was unfortunate, out of that disappointment came an opportunity. The W&E Smith Foundation donated FIHS the funds necessary to purchase the store. Now a FIHS committee of volunteers is working hard to come up with a plan and with funding to allow the building to be used as a store or a related commercial venture. This is another reminder that Francestown can only be as vital as its citizens are willing to make it. We thank the Town's hard working employees, and we also thank those who volunteer for Town committees and commissions, those who volunteer for locally based organizations and non-profits and those who help out at Town events.

Francestown Board of Selectmen

Brad Howell, Chairman

Abigail Arnold

Henry Kunhardt

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Roberts & Greene, PLLC

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

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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the government activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Frankestown as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions of these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Frankestown, as of December 31, 2016, and the respective changes in financial positions thereof, and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the pension schedules on pages 26-28 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

The Town of Francestown has not presented a management's discussion and analysis. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have determined that the management's discussion and analysis is necessary to supplement, but it not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Francestown's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor and individual general fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor and individual general fund schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with Auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor and individual general fund schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

April 18, 2017

TREASURER

Molly Cook

FRANCESTOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 2017

This Report is Unaudited and is subject to Audit adjustments for Fiscal 2017

Balance in the Treasury Account December 31 2016 \$2,190,106.89

Cash Receipts from::

Tax Collector Receipts	\$4,427,894.65
Town Clerk Revenue	\$1,351,197.78
Selectmen Receipts	\$992,276.33
Interest/Bank Credits	\$1,640.60

Total Receipts \$6,773,009.36

Outflows:

Expenditures	\$6,963,397.83
Bank Charges	\$20.89

Total Outflows \$6,963,418.72

2017 Net Cash Flow -\$190,409.36

Calculated Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$1,999,697.53

Book Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$1,999,697.53

Bank Balance December 31, 2017 \$1,991,624.10

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Balance in the Treasury Account December 31, 2016 \$28,602.23

Revenue

Grant income	\$800.00
Donations	\$100.00
Taxes	\$12,830.00
Interest	\$56.32

Total Revenue \$13,786.32

Expenses

Land Protection	\$7,500.00
Forest Management	\$140.44
Misc	\$0.00

Total Expenses \$7,640.44

2017 Net Cash Flow \$6,145.88

Calculated Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$34,748.11

Book Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$34,748.11

Bank Balance December 31, 2017 \$34,848.11

HERITAGE COMMISSION

Balance in the Treasury Account December 31, 2016 \$141,944.94

Revenue

Donations-Designated	\$163,586.00
Donations-Undesignated	\$0.00
Grants	\$0.00
Interest	\$431.71

Total Revenue \$164,017.71

Expense

Town Hall renovations	\$200,000.00
Fundraising expense and Grant writing exp	\$0.00
Transfer fee	\$15.00

Total Expense \$200,015.00

2017 Net Cash Flow -\$35,997.29

Calculated Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$105,947.65

Book Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$105,947.65

Bank Balance December 31, 2017 \$105,947.65

TOWN CLERK

Pamela Finnell

TYPE	QTY	\$ AMOUNT
Automobile Permits	2,477	321,927.00
Dog Licenses / State Portion		1,033.00
Dog Licenses & Fees / Town Portion		2,460.50
# of Dog Licenses Issued	477	
Marriage/Vital Statistics - State Portion		586.00
Marriage/Vital Statistics - Town Portion		409.00
Voter Checklist		325.00
Miscellaneous Fees		415.00
Return Check Fees		50.00
MV Violations		45.00
TOTAL		\$327,250.50

**A reminder that all dogs over 3 months old should be licensed by April 30th of each year. There is a \$25.00 civil forfeiture fee if your dog is not licensed by June 1st, RSA 466:13.

NOTE: Please be sure to bring current rabies certificate(s) with you when licensing your dog(s).

Licenses available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Finnell, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR MS-61

Pamela Finnell



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Department of
Revenue Administration

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Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning and ending

This form is due **March 1st (Calendar Year)** or **September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

Cover Page

- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

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

ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?

Municipality: County: Report Year:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?

First Name Last Name
Street No. Street Name Phone Number
Email (optional)

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Debits						
		Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)				
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Year: 2016	Year: 2015	Year: 2014	
Property Taxes	3110		\$353,591.33			
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185		\$2,598.44			
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance ?		(\$166.90)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?						

Taxes Committed This Year		Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2016			
Property Taxes	3110	\$4,698,750.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$37,706.00			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$15,449.10			
Excavation Tax	3187	\$54.34			
Other Taxes	3189				
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Overpayment Refunds		Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2016	2015	2014	
Property Taxes	3110	\$587.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
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Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$4,150.87	\$19,148.81		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits		\$4,756,530.41	\$375,338.58	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2016	2015	2014
Property Taxes	\$4,479,211.31	\$174,733.73		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$26,441.00			
Yield Taxes	\$12,732.74	\$2,598.44		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$4,125.87	\$17,180.31		
Penalties	\$25.00	\$1,968.50		
Excavation Tax	\$54.34			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$177,849.60		
-				
Add Line				
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2016	2015	2014
Property Taxes		\$1,008.00		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$4,765.00			
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
-				
Add Line				
Current Levy Deeded				

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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2016	2015	2014
Property Taxes	\$294,095.67			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$6,500.00			
Yield Taxes	\$2,716.36			
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?	(\$74,136.88)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?				
Total Credits		\$4,756,530.41	\$375,338.58	\$0.00

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$229,175.15
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$246,933.84

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Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2016	Year: 2015	Year: 2014
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$152,907.46	\$106,813.70
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$190,320.93		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)		\$3,152.03	\$12,556.52	\$32,643.29
<input type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Total Debits	\$0.00	\$193,472.96	\$165,463.98	\$139,456.99

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2016	2015	2014
Redemptions		\$50,328.26	\$45,966.29	\$106,813.70
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<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190		\$3,152.03	\$12,556.52	\$32,643.29
<input type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		\$139,992.67	\$106,941.17	
Total Credits	\$0.00	\$193,472.96	\$165,463.98	\$139,456.99

For DRA Use Only

Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$229,175.15
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$246,933.84

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FRANCESTOWN (159)

1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name

PAMELA

Preparer's Last Name

FINNELL

Date

Jan 8, 2018

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's Signature and Title

NOTE: THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE SUBMITS BILLS FOR PROPERTY TAXES SEMI-ANNUALLY (RSA 76:15A, RSA 76:13) FOR TAXES DUE ON OR AROUND JULY 1 AND DECEMBER 1.

RESIDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING PROPERTY TAXES ON OR BEFORE THE DUE DATES.

PAYMENTS RECEIVED AFTER THE TIME THEY ARE DUE WILL BE SUBJECT TO INTEREST AND PENALTIES.

IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A PROPERTY TAX BILL BY: THE 2ND WEEK OF JUNE FOR JULY TAXES OR THE 2ND WEEK OF NOVEMBER FOR DECEMBER TAXES YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.

ALL PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION CAN BE VIEWED AND PAID ONLINE BY VISITING
WWW.TAXKIOSK.COM/FRANCESTOWN

TOWN VALUATION (MS-1)

Land Value Only	Acres	Valuation
1A Current Use RSA 79-A	12,653.61	\$1,062,243
1B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	0.00	\$0
1C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	0.00	\$0
1D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0.00	\$0
1E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0.00	\$0
1F Residential Land	3,054.12	\$58,918,104
1G Commercial/Industrial Land	724.77	\$3,113,200
1H Total of Taxable Land	16,432.50	\$63,093,547
1I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	2,246.26	\$4,417,548

Buildings Value Only	Structures	Valuation
2A Residential		\$112,773,548
2B Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31		\$526,400
2C Commercial/Industrial		\$11,135,900
2D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0	\$0
2E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0	\$0
2F Total of Taxable Buildings		\$124,435,848
2G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		\$8,205,052

Utilities & Timber	Valuation
3A Utilities	\$3,755,800
3B Other Utilities	\$0
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5	\$0

5 Valuation before Exemption **\$191,285,195**

Exemptions	Total Granted	Valuation
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	0	\$0
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V	0	\$0
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	0	\$0
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV	0	\$0
10A Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a	0	\$0
10B Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a	0	\$0

11 Modified Assessed Value of All Properties **\$191,285,195**

Optional Exemptions	Amount Per	Total Granted	Valuation
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$0	0	\$0
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b		2	\$160,000
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	\$0	0	\$0
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	\$0	0	\$0
16 Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70		0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62		6	\$74,000
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66		0	\$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV		0	\$0

20 Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions **\$234,000**

21 Net Valuation **\$191,051,195**

22 Less Utilities **\$3,755,800**

23 Net Valuation without Utilities **\$187,295,395**

Utility Value Appraiser

George Sansoucy PE, LLC

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Valuation
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$3,755,800
	\$3,755,800

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Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	\$500	77	\$38,500
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a	\$700	0	\$0
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	\$700	0	\$0
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	\$0	0	\$0
		77	\$38,500

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report

Deaf Income Limits		Deaf Asset Limits	
Single	\$0	Single	\$0
Married	\$0	Married	\$0

Disabled Income Limits		Disabled Asset Limits	
Single	\$0	Single	\$0
Married	\$0	Married	\$0

Elderly Exemption Report

First-time Filers Granted Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year

Age	Number
65-74	0
75-79	0
80+	0

Total Number of Individuals Granted Elderly Exemptions for the Current Tax Year and Total Number of Exemptions Granted

Age	Number	Amount	Maximum	Total
65-74	0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0
75-79	0	\$60,000	\$0	\$0
80+	2	\$80,000	\$160,000	\$160,000
	2		\$160,000	\$160,000

Income Limits	
Single	\$13,400
Married	\$20,400

Asset Limits	
Single	\$50,000
Married	\$50,000

Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? RSA 79-E

Adopted? No

Number of Structures:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? RSA 79-H

Adopted? No

Number of Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? RSA 79-G

Adopted? No

Number of Properties:

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Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	842.86	\$318,460
Forest Land	8,606.19	\$628,644
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	2,037.93	\$93,599
Unproductive Land	48.90	\$873
Wet Land	1,117.73	\$20,667
	12,653.61	\$1,062,243

Other Current Use Statistics		
Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	5,770.36
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	Acres:	32.29
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	Owners:	300
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	Parcels:	454

Land Use Change Tax		
Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year		\$15,164
Conservation Allocation	Percentage: 50.00%	Dollar Amount: \$0
Monies to Conservation Fund		\$7,582
Monies to General Fund		\$7,582

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B		Acres	Valuation
Farm Land		0.00	\$0
Forest Land		0.00	\$0
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship		0.00	\$0
Unproductive Land		0.00	\$0
Wet Land		0.00	\$0
		0.00	\$0

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics		
Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	0.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	Acres:	
Owners in Conservation Restriction	Owners:	0
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	Parcels:	0

TAX RATE CALCULATION

2017 Tax Year

Town of Francestown

Gross Appropriations	\$ 3,637,181
Less: Revenues	\$ (2,105,773)
Add: Overlay	\$ 120,574
War Service Credits	\$ 38,500

Net Town Appropriation \$ 1,690,482

Approved Town Tax Effort \$ 1,690,482

School District

Net Co-op School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenues)	\$ 3,282,098
Less: Adequate Education Grant	\$ (459,258)
State Education Taxes	<u>\$ (420,481)</u>

Approved School Tax Effort \$ 2,402,359

State Education Taxes

Equalized Value (no utilities) X	\$ 2.26	
\$186,053,367.00		\$ 420,481

County Portion

Due to County \$ 223,940

Approved County Tax Effort \$ 223,940

Total Property Taxes Assessed \$ 4,879,944

Less: War Service Credits \$ (41,000)

Total Property Tax Commitment \$ 4,838,944

Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$ 1,690,482	\$ 191,051,195	\$ 8.85
County	\$ 223,940	\$ 191,051,195	\$ 1.17
Local Education	\$ 2,402,359	\$ 191,051,195	\$ 12.57
State Education	\$ 420,481	\$ 187,295,395	\$ 2.25
Total	\$ 4,737,262		\$ 24.84

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Silas Little, Kevin Pobst, and Jo-Ann Miller

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL				INCOME				Total Trust Fund End of Year
		Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses)	(Withdrawn) or (Expended)	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Balance End of Year	
NON-EXPENDABLE PRIVATE TRUSTS:										
	PERPETUAL CARE CEMETERY FUNDS	\$ 29,676.93		\$ 448.83	\$ -	\$ 30,125.76	\$ 4,356.06	\$ 716.57	\$ (500.00)	\$ 34,698.39
1968	ABBIE A DODGE FUND	9,382.79	-	141.90	-	9,524.70	1,353.50	226.05	-	11,104.26
1852	LEVI WOODBURY FUND	1,312.05	-	19.84	-	1,331.90	4,906.59	130.93	-	6,369.42
1899	GEORGE H. BIXBY FUND	1,223.56	-	18.51	-	1,242.07	25.97	26.31	(25.97)	1,268.38
1943	ALLISON BIXBY HILL FUND	1,791.40	-	27.09	-	1,818.50	38.02	38.52	(38.02)	1,857.02
1974	CHARLES & MARION VOSE FUND	1,788.77	-	27.05	-	1,815.82	37.96	38.46	(37.96)	1,854.29
	TOTAL NON-EXPENDABLE PRIVATE TRUSTS	\$ 45,175.51	\$ -	\$ 683.23	\$ -	\$ 45,858.74	\$ 10,718.11	\$ 1,176.85	\$ (601.95)	\$ 57,151.75
EXPENDABLE PRIVATE TRUSTS:										
2009	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND	\$ 2,133.08	\$ 498.00	\$ -	\$ (431.58)	\$ 2,199.50	\$ 3.82	\$ (0.93)	\$ (3.82)	\$ 2,198.58
2011	RECREATION FUND	11,480.46	70.00	-	-	11,550.46	47.79	(4.99)	-	11,593.26
2011	MISS EVELYN VADNEY FUND	26.15	-	-	-	26.15	0.16	(0.01)	-	26.29
2014	THULANDER MUSEUM FUND	4,029.46	848.00	-	(538.41)	4,339.05	4.40	(1.75)	(4.40)	4,337.30
	TOTAL EXPENDABLE PRIVATE TRUSTS	\$ 17,669.15	\$ 1,416.00	\$ -	\$ (969.99)	\$ 18,115.16	\$ 56.17	\$ (7.68)	\$ (8.22)	\$ 18,155.43
EXPENDABLE PUBLIC TRUSTS:										
2004	GENERAL CEMETERY MTC TRUST	\$ 16,344.67	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -	\$ (899.45)	\$ 17,845.22	\$ 33.91	\$ 31.38	\$ (33.91)	\$ 17,876.59
2014	MASTER PLAN UPDATE FUND	6,387.30	2,000.00	-	(2,239.52)	\$ 6,147.78	\$ 13.68	12.26	(13.68)	\$ 6,160.05
2017	LEGAL & PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND	-	25,000.00	-	-	25,000.00	\$ -	-	-	\$ 25,000.00
	TOTAL EXPENDABLE PUBLIC TRUSTS	22,731.97	\$ 29,400.00	\$ -	\$ (3,138.97)	\$ 48,993.00	\$ 47.59	\$ 43.64	\$ (47.59)	\$ 49,036.64
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:										
1955	REPLACEMENT OF FIRE TRUCKS	\$ 76,666.16	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 176,666.16	\$ 457.03	\$ 232.79	\$ -	\$ 177,355.98
1960	PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	123,701.75	100,000.00	-	(161,658.37)	62,043.38	396.96	374.58	(396.96)	62,417.97
1983	IMPROVE NEW CEMETERY LANDS	35,845.18	2,400.00	-	-	38,245.18	2,373.46	115.36	-	40,734.00
1968	REPLACE / PURCHASE FIRE EQUIPMENT	36,966.67	7,500.00	-	-	44,466.67	318.87	112.54	-	44,898.08
1975	REPLACEMENT OF POLICE CRUISER	41,590.81	15,000.00	-	-	56,590.81	262.40	126.33	-	56,979.54
1976	FUTURE LIBRARY BUILDING	160.08	-	-	-	160.08	2,416.19	7.78	-	2,584.04
1986	REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	25,747.27	15,000.00	-	-	40,747.27	174.36	78.24	-	40,999.87
1990	PURCHASE OF RECREATION LANDS	77,080.16	-	-	-	77,080.16	43,309.07	363.38	-	120,752.61
2016	TOWN FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS	125,114.82	120,000.00	-	(33,491.68)	211,623.14	192.57	378.23	(192.57)	212,001.37
1994	TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	83,814.35	170,000.00	-	(67,210.82)	186,603.53	5.97	253.00	(5.97)	186,856.53
2005	REPLACEMENT OF TOWN BRIDGES	666,208.12	100,000.00	-	(7,784.75)	758,423.37	3,580.25	2,021.70	(3,580.25)	760,445.06
2005	ESTAB NON-PRESS WATER SUPPLIES	25,473.80	-	-	-	25,473.80	918.95	79.66	-	26,472.41
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	\$ 1,318,469.17	\$ 629,900.00	\$ -	\$ (270,145.62)	\$ 1,678,123.55	\$ 54,406.08	\$ 4,143.60	\$ (4,175.75)	\$ 1,732,497.48

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

General Fund—Operating Budget

		Adopted Budget	Final Expenses
4130-00	EXECUTIVE		
4130-10	Executive Payroll		
4130-11	Selectmens' Stipend	4,500	4,500.00
4130-12	Town Administrator Salary	51,500	53,317.13
4130-13	Other Administrative Wages	25,740	18,214.22
	Total Executive Payroll	81,740	76,031.35
4130-20	Other Executive Functions		
4130-21	Postage	1,200	811.01
4130-22	Office Supplies	1,000	938.17
4130-23	Professional Development	950	610.00
4130-24	Publications	150	69.00
4130-25	Travel Reimbursement	750	483.10
4130-26	Advertising/Postings	500	184.50
4130-27	Town Reports	2,500	2,538.46
4130-28	Town Website	2,150	1,750.00
4130-29	Contracted Services	1	-
4130-30	Miscellaneous	1,000	-
4130-31	Document Management	125	-
4130-32	Software Support (QB/Avitar)	3,600	3,653.00
4130-34	Video Services	2,400	2,400.00
	Total Other Executive Functions	16,326	13,437.24
	TOTAL EXECUTIVE	98,066	89,468.59
4140-00	ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS		
4140-11	Supervisors of the Checklist	1,470	687.50
4140-12	Moderator	480	385.00
4140-13	Ballot Clerks/Counters	348	232.00
4140-14	Other Election Expenses	750	1,187.82
	TOTAL ELECTIONS	3,048	2,492.32
4150-00	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		
4150-10	Town Clerk / Tax Collector		
4150-11	TwnClrk/TxColl Salary	34,000	34,637.46
4150-12	Deputy TwnClrk/TxColl Wages	15,000	15,085.42
4150-13	Postage	3,400	2,614.48
4150-14	Office Supplies	1,000	475.91
4150-15	Professional Development	1,435	1,063.47
4150-16	Publications	150	119.90
4150-17	Travel Reimbursement	1,900	1,873.16
4150-18	Advertising	150	-
4150-19	Dog Tags and Supplies	150	132.41
4150-21	Software Support & Supplies	6,300	6,098.35
4150-22	Tax Recording Fees	1,200	1,415.70
	Total Town Clerk / Tax Collector	64,685	63,516.26

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4150-30	Treasury		
4151-31	Treasurer Payroll	1,500	1,500.00
4151-32	Postage	300	294.00
4151-33	Office Supplies	675	549.78
4151-34	Travel Reimbursement	200	35.85
4151-35	Bank Fees	100	20.89
4151-36	Auditing and Financial Reporting	10,450	10,450.00
4151-37	Miscellaneous	25	-
	Total Treasury	13,250	12,850.52
	TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	77,935.00	76,366.78
4152-00	REVALUATION OF PROPERTY		
4152-10	General Assessing		
4152-11	Contract Assessing	10,500	6,529.71
	Total General Assessing	10,500.00	6,529.71
4152-20	Tax Map Updates	1,000	1,425.00
	TOTAL REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	11,500.00	7,954.71
4153-00	LEGAL EXPENSE		
4153-01	Legal/Defense/Claims	17,000	7,133.32
4153-02	Utility Value Defense	5,000	5,650.52
	TOTAL LEGAL EXPENSE	22,000.00	12,783.84
4155-00	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		
4155-01	Social Security / Medicare	41,346	39,251.80
4155-02	NH Retirement	35,210	30,794.71
4155-03	Health Insurance	71,720	60,582.11
4155-04	Health Stipend	11,300	11,300.34
4155-05	Short Term Disability	900	756.00
4155-06	Unemployment Insurance	2,289	2,289.00
4155-07	Workers' Compensation	14,258	14,258.00
4155-08	Employee Retention	11,575	-
	TOTAL PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	188,598	159,231.96
4191-00	LAND USE AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES		
4191-10	Planning Board and ZBA		
4191-11	Land Use Clerk	1,500	-
4191-12	Postage	500	226.56
4191-13	Printing	100	-
4191-14	Office Supplies	100	85.27
4191-15	Professional Development	150	-
4191-16	Publications	100	93.75
4191-17	Advertising	1,000	830.25
4191-18	Recording Fees	200	67.13
4191-19	Professional Planning	1,000	-
4191-20	Travel Reimbursement	600	278.20
	Total Planning Board and ZBA	5,250	1,581.16

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4191-30	Heritage Commission		
4191-31	Office Supplies	150	42.00
4191-32	Postage	250	276.11
4191-33	Printing	300	-
4191-34	Grant/Fund Raising Expenses	300	763.34
	Total Heritage Commission	1,000	1,081.45
TOTAL LAND USE AND CMTY RESOURCES		6,250.00	2,662.61
4194-00	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		
4194-10	Janitorial & Maintenance Services		
4194-11	Janitorial Payroll	4,000	2,129.38
4194-12	General Maintenance Payroll	4,000	3,379.23
4194-13	Supplies	1,000	1,138.82
	Total Janitorial & Maintenance	9,000	6,647.43
4194-20	Town Offices (Red School)		
4194-22	Internet	1,850	1,845.36
4194-23	Telephone	1,620	1,600.00
4194-24	Heating Fuel	2,400	2,008.84
4194-25	Electricity	2,600	2,409.66
4194-26	Water	500	536.16
4194-26	Copier Lease etc.	2,600	2,260.37
	Total Town Offices	11,570	10,660.39
4194-30	Thulander Building		
4194-31	Electricity	300	198.24
4194-32	Miscellaneous	500	737.69
	Total Thulander Building	800	935.93
4194-40	Town Hall		
4194-41	Telephone	430	580.56
4194-42	Water	500	470.07
4194-43	Heating Fuel	1,000	1,810.74
4194-44	Electricity	2,200	1,554.87
	Total Town Hall	4,130	4,416.24
4194-60	Town Clock	350	200.00
4194-80	Information Technology		
4194-81	IT Service Contract	8,675	8,675.00
4194-82	IT Infrastructure	4,500	5,000.00
	Total Information Technology	13,175	13,675.00

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4194-90	General Building Expenses		
4194-91	Water - The Annex	500	497.90
4194-92	Repairs and Service	12,000	10,818.46
4194-93	Facility Painting	5,000	-
4194-94	Alarm Service	3,000	3,564.07
4194-95	Building Furnishings	750	-
4194-96	Groundskeeping	6,200	4,120.08
4194-97	Septic Service	1,000	-
4194-98	Contracted Services	1	-
4194-99	Geo-Thermal System Service	2,000	361.84
	Total General Building Expenses	30,451	19,362.35
	TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T BUILDINGS	69,476	55,897.34
4195-00	CEMETERIES		
4195-01	Professional Development	150	180.00
4195-02	Supplies	100	-
4195-03	Electricity	200	183.30
4195-04	Groundskeeping	11,365	11,364.96
4195-05	Cemetery Repairs	600	487.02
4195-06	Landscaping Maintenance	600	190.00
4195-09	Miscellaneous	100	-
	TOTAL CEMETERIES	13,115	12,405.28
4196-00	PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE	30,329	30,329.00
4197-00	REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS		
4197-01	Regional Planning Commission	1,039	1,038.73
4197-02	NH Municipal Association	1,426	1,426.00
4197-03	Other Associations	200	55.00
	TOTAL REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	2,665	2,519.73
4210-00	POLICE		
4210-10	Payroll		
4210-11	Police Chief Wages	61,152	61,015.12
4210-12	F'T Officer Wages	40,100	25,134.00
4210-13	PT Officer Wages	45,126	50,762.00
4210-14	Special Duty Pay	1,000	2,333.00
4210-15	Animal Control Officer	1,200	1,200.00
	Total Payroll	148,578	140,444.12
4210-20	Administration Expenses		
4210-21	Postage	150	89.25
4210-22	Software Licensing and Support	300	3,250.00
4210-23	Office Supplies	1,000	586.42
4210-24	Professional Development/Travel	3,000	2,130.34
4210-25	Publications	50	48.00
4210-26	Office Equipment	300	463.64
4210-27	Advertising	400	-
	Total Administration Expenses	5,200	6,567.65

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4210-30	Building Expenses		
4210-31	Internet	1,475	1,550.08
4210-32	Electricity	1,500	1,208.64
4210-33	Telephone	2,500	2,121.64
4210-34	Heating Fuel	2,400	2,129.74
	Total Building Expenses	7,875	7,010.10
4210-40	Other Services		
4210-41	School Program	150	-
4210-42	Contract Prosecutor	7,036	7,036.00
4210-43	Dispatch	13,200	13,188.00
4210-44	Animal Care	250	314.76
	Total Other Services	20,636	20,538.76
4210-50	Equipment and Supplies		
4210-51	Weapons	350	-
4210-52	Ammunition	500	282.88
4210-53	Medical Supplies	100	281.46
4210-54	Uniforms	4,500	1,275.89
4210-55	Radio Equipment & Repair	950	3,570.33
4210-56	Cruiser Equipment & Repair	3,000	4,979.41
4210-57	Fuel	4,200	4,944.20
	Total Equipment and Supplies	13,600	15,334.17
	TOTAL POLICE	195,889	189,894.80
4215-00	AMBULANCE SERVICE	45,300	45,299.34
4220-00	FIRE DEPARTMENT		
4220-10	Payroll	5,500	5,500.00
4220-20	Administration Expenses		
4220-21	Postage	100	-
4220-22	Professional Development	5,000	4,689.95
4220-23	Association Dues	925	755.00
4220-24	Office Supplies	350	461.03
4220-25	Other Administrative Expenses	125	-
	Total Administration Expenses	6,500	5,905.98
4220-30	Dispatch Services	20,700	22,014.00
4220-40	Equipment and Supplies		
4220-41	Fire Equipment	4,500	2,587.22
4220-42	Medical Equipment & Supplies	2,000	869.49
4220-43	Uniforms (PPE)	3,500	849.21
4220-44	Forest Fires & Equipment	1,000	29.90
	Total Equipment and Supplies	11,000	4,335.82

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4220-50	Equipment Maintenance		
4220-51	Fire Apparatus Maintenance	6,000	6,643.32
4220-52	Pump Maintenance	1,500	1,245.75
4220-53	Radio Maintenance	2,000	4,324.46
4220-54	SCBA Maintenance	1,500	5,078.06
4220-55	Dry Hydrant Repair / Installation	150	-
4220-56	Fuel, Diesel	1,750	1,519.84
4220-57	Fuel, Gasoline	250	475.39
4220-59	Miscellaneous	50	-
	Total Equipment Maintenance	13,200	19,286.82
4220-60	Building Expenses		
4220-61	Internet	510	906.95
4220-62	Electricity	2,500	2,494.64
4220-63	Telephone	575	558.29
4220-64	Propane/Heat	2,500	1,512.10
4220-65	Building Repairs and Maint.	1,750	781.57
	Total Building Expenses	7,835	6,253.55
	TOTAL FIRE	64,735	63,296.17
4240-00	BUILDING INSPECTION		
4240-01	Building Inspector Payroll	6,600	6,616.00
4240-02	Office Supplies and Code Books	100	164.00
4240-03	Professional Development	750	570.00
4240-04	Travel Reimbursement	400	552.68
4240-05	Telephone	360	360.00
4240-06	Miscellaneous	50	30.00
	TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTION	8,260	8,292.68
4290-00	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
4290-01	Mobile Generator	250	-
4290-02	Professional Development	200	-
4290-03	Office Supplies etc.	50	-
	TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	500	-
4312-00	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		
4312-10	Payroll		
4312-11	Full-time Wages	136,835	137,866.90
4312-12	Part-time Wages	40,675	38,594.97
4312-13	Overtime	24,700	21,601.86
	Total Payroll	202,210	198,063.73
4312-20	Administrative Expenses		
4312-21	Office Supplies	400	125.76
4312-22	Professional Development	400	-
4312-23	Advertising	250	-
4312-24	Membership Dues	100	-
4312-25	Uniforms (PPE)	2,500	2,267.13
4312-26	Medical & Drug Testing	900	523.50
	Total Other Admin. Expenses	4,550	2,916.39

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4312-30	Highway Garage Expenses		
4312-31	Internet	510	965.55
4312-32	Electricity	3,400	3,074.50
4312-33	Telephone	600	558.29
4312-34	Propane / Heat	7,200	4,887.80
4312-35	Bldg. Maintenance	1,500	1,991.18
	Total Highway Garage Expenses	13,210	11,477.32
4312-40	Materials		
4312-41	Road Salt / Additives	45,000	51,550.55
4312-42	Winter Sand	17,000	17,000.00
4312-43	Gravel / Processing	21,500	21,500.00
4312-44	Calcium Chloride	6,000	6,000.00
4312-45	Culvert/Grates	10,000	7,194.97
4312-46	Street and Traffic Signs	1,500	1,024.73
4312-47	Erosion Control (fabric, seeding, etc.)	400	351.36
	Total Materials	101,400	104,621.61
4312-50	Equipment & Maintenance		
4312-51	Truck Repair	11,000	10,072.31
4312-52	Truck Parts	9,500	13,459.70
4312-53	Heavy Equipment Repair	3,000	-
4312-54	Heavy Equipment Parts	3,000	922.56
4312-55	MV Registrations and Inspections	550	314.00
4312-56	Tires	4,000	4,303.80
4312-57	Welding and Tools	2,200	3,046.41
4312-58	Cutting Edges	5,000	2,178.43
4312-59	Chains	1,500	117.70
4312-60	Plow and Sander Repair	4,300	8,419.67
4312-61	Small Equipment Purch and Repair	700	-
4312-62	Supplies and Lubricants	4,500	5,533.80
4312-63	Radio Maintenance	750	408.32
4312-64	Fuel - Gasoline	4,650	5,468.86
4312-65	Fuel - Diesel	21,500	20,024.88
4312-66	Miscellaneous	50	-
	Total Equipment & Maintenance	76,200	74,270.44
4312-70	Other Services		
4312-71	Mowing	4,500	4,500.00
4312-72	Tree Cutting	1,500	800.00
4312-73	Equipment Rental	9,300	5,627.50
4312-74	Engineering	2,000	120.00
4312-75	Vegetation Control	1,500	1,150.00
	Total Other Services	18,800	12,197.50
	TOTAL HIGHWAYS & STREETS	416,370	403,546.99
4312-90	ASPHALT	78,500	69,726.35
4313-00	BRIDGES	5,000	1,853.28
4316-00	STREET LIGHTING	3,600	3,916.81

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4324-00	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		
4324-10	Payroll	41,185	42,136.59
4324-20	Administration Expenses		
4324-21	Postage	250	114.31
4324-22	Printing	350	87.96
4324-23	Professional Development	350	285.00
4324-24	Travel Reimbursement	150	111.40
4324-25	Supplies	750	486.37
4324-26	Uniforms (PPE)	200	100.31
4324-27	Association Dues	110	109.34
	Total Administration Expenses	2,160	1,294.69
4324-30	Buildings & Grounds Expenses		
4324-31	Electricity	800	1,017.21
4324-32	Telephone	530	397.85
4324-33	Propane / Heat	200	61.37
4324-34	Building Repairs	500	252.16
4324-35	Toilet Rental	1,200	1,245.03
4324-36	Contracted Services (Container packing)	5,500	4,691.00
4324-37	Equipment Maintenance	500	3,035.97
	Total Buildings & Grounds Expenses	9,230	10,700.59
4324-40	Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling		
4324-41	Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)	43,250	44,960.60
4324-42	Construction and Demolition (C&D)	8,750	8,553.90
4324-43	Recycling - Tires	500	800.25
4324-44	Recycling - Glass	4,750	4,005.55
4324-45	Recycling - Mixed Paper	5,200	5,089.40
4324-46	Recycling - Co-Mingled (Tin, Plastic)	6,500	6,085.40
4324-47	Recycling - Aluminum	700	900.00
4324-48	Recycling - Electronics	2,500	950.53
4324-49	Hshld Hazardous Waste Collection	-	-
4324-90	Miscellaneous	200	-
	Total Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling	72,350	71,345.63
	TOTAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	124,925	125,477.50
4325-00	LANDFILL TESTING AND MAINTENANCE	3,500	4,256.44
4411-00	HEALTH ADMINISTRATION & AGENCIES		
4411-01	Administration Expenses	50	64.97
4411-02	Mondanock Family Services	1,953	1,953.00
4411-03	Home Health Care, Hospice	1,212	1,212.00
4411-04	Red Cross	300	300.00
4411-05	Project Lift	200	200.00
4411-06	Meals On Wheels	240	240.00
4411-07	Grapevine/Avenue A Teen Center	5,000	5,000.00
4411-08	Community Volunteer Transport Co.	500	500.00
	TOTAL HEALTH ADMIN. & AGENCIES	9,455	9,469.97

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4441-00	PUBLIC ASSIST. ADMINISTRATION		
4441-01	Welfare Officer Payroll	1,090	1,090.00
4441-02	Administration Expenses	100	120.00
4441-03	Direct Assistance	25,000	34,933.83
	TOTAL WELFARE - ADMINISTRATION	26,190	36,143.83
4520-00	PARKS AND RECREATION		
4520-10	Payroll		
4520-11	Recreation Director	4,000	4,000.00
4520-12	Lifeguards	11,700	9,867.88
4520-13	Swim Instructor	1,100	256.50
	Total Payroll	16,800	14,124.38
4520-20	Administration Expenses		
4520-21	Postage	100	-
4520-22	Supplies	300	8.97
4520-23	Beach Lease	3,000	3,000.00
4520-29	Miscellaneous	175	50.00
	Total Administration Expenses	3,575	3,058.97
4520-30	Equipment and Grounds		
4520-31	Electricity	200	206.62
4520-32	Telephone	400	397.85
4520-33	Water	500	378.35
4520-34	Toilet Rental	1,850	1,718.30
4520-36	Landscaping & Field Maintenance	5,380	5,380.00
4520-37	Equipment	575	2,169.09
	Total Equipment and Grounds	8,905	10,250.21
4520-40	Programs		
4520-41	Little League	3,200	2,032.88
4520-42	Fishing Derby	950	955.00
4520-43	Other Programs	875	995.10
	Total Programs	5,025	3,982.98
	TOTAL PARKS AND RECREATION	34,305	31,416.54
4550-00	LIBRARY		
4550-10	Payroll		
4550-11	Library Staff	45,250	46,617.90
4550-12	Custodial	2,700	2,329.41
	Total Payroll	47,950	48,947.31
4550-20	Administration Expenses		
4550-21	Postage	200	151.48
4550-22	Office Supplies	900	837.48
4550-23	Professional Development	150	145.00
4550-24	Travel Reimbursement	175	68.40
4550-25	Service Contracts (IT and Copier)	3,375	3,401.03
4550-26	Programs	2,000	1,830.69
4550-27	Software Licensing and Support	439	439.00
	Total Administration Expenses	7,239	6,873.08

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4550-30	Books and Periodicals		
4550-31	Periodicals	727	558.10
4550-32	Library Books	10,100	9,151.23
4550-33	Digital Subscription Services	600	608.00
	Total Books and Periodicals	11,427	10,317.33
4550-40	Building & Equipment Expenses		
4550-41	Electricity	6,500	5,582.93
4550-42	Telephone	1,360	1,252.37
4550-43	Water	398	397.09
4550-44	Building Maintenance & Supplies	800	317.21
	Total Building and Equip Expenses	9,058	7,549.60
	TOTAL LIBRARY	75,674	73,687.32
4583-00	PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		
4583-01	Memorial Day	200	276.87
4583-02	Veterans' Day	400	556.94
4583-03	Other Patriotic Purposes	600	371.85
	TOTAL PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	1,200	1,205.66
4611-00	CONSERVATION		
4611-01	Postage	90	-
4611-02	Printing	120	-
4611-03	Office Supplies	25	-
4611-04	Professional Development	445	235.00
4611-05	Advertising	80	61.50
4611-06	Professional Services	100	-
4611-07	Association Dues	266	266.00
4611-08	Education and Outreach	330	80.00
	TOTAL CONSERVATION	1,456	642.50
4700-00	DEBT SERVICE		
4711-10	Principle - Long Term Bonds and Notes		
4711-11	Principle - Conservation Bond	50,000	50,000.00
4711-12	Principle - Town Hall Note	17,500	-
4721-10	Interest - Long Term Bonds and Notes		
4721-11	Interest - Conservation Bond	22,828	20,819.50
4721-12	Interest - Town Hall Note	9,000	3,750.00
4723-10	Interest - Tax and Rev. Anticipation Notes	1	-
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	99,329	74,569.50
	TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET EXPENSES	1,717,170	1,594,808

BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ending December 31, 2017

General Fund (Audited)

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,000,122.53
Receivables	
Property Taxes	\$ 450,245.87
Accounts	\$ 5,000.00
State Funds	\$ 85,460.42
Interfund	\$ 113,164.60
Prepaid Items	\$ 3,700.00
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,657,693.42</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	\$ 79,493.27
Accrued Salaries & Benefits	\$ 13,608.06
Intergovernmental	\$ 1,366,413.50
Deferred Revenue	\$ 425,000.00
Interfund	\$ 7,790.50
Tax Credits/Pre-payments	\$ 74,136.88
Other	\$ 1,895.00
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,968,337.21</u>

Fund Balance

Nonspendable	\$ 3,700.00
Committed	\$ 91,808.60
Assigned	\$ 9,155.00
Unassigned (GAAP**)	\$ 584,692.61
	<u>\$ 689,356.21</u>

Total Liabilities and GAAP Fund Balance	<u>\$ 2,657,693.42</u>
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LONG-TERM DEBT SCHEDULE

New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank

Date Prepared	7/21/2006		
Bonds Dated	8/15/2006	Amount of Loan to be Paid	\$985,745.00
Interest Start Date: 205 days	7/20/2006	Premium	\$14,255.00
First Interest Payment	2/15/2007	Total Received	\$1,000,000.00
True Interest Cost	4.5600%		

Debt Year	Period Ending	Principal Outstanding	Principal	Rate	Interest	Total Payment	Calendar Year Total Payment
	2/15/2017				11,413.75	11,413.75	
11	8/15/2017	485,000.00	50,000.00	5.000%	11,413.75	61,413.75	72,827.50
	2/15/2018				10,163.75	10,163.75	
12	8/15/2018	435,000.00	50,000.00	4.500%	10,163.75	60,163.75	70,327.50
	2/15/2019				9,038.75	9,038.75	
13	8/15/2019	385,000.00	50,000.00	4.625%	9,038.75	59,038.75	68,077.50
	2/15/2020				7,882.50	7,882.50	
14	8/15/2020	335,000.00	50,000.00	4.625%	7,882.50	57,882.50	65,765.00
	2/15/2021				6,726.25	6,726.25	
15	8/15/2021	285,000.00	50,000.00	4.750%	6,726.25	56,726.25	63,452.50
	2/15/2022				5,538.75	5,538.75	
16	8/15/2022	235,000.00	50,000.00	4.750%	5,538.75	55,538.75	61,077.50
	2/15/2023				4,351.25	4,351.25	
17	8/15/2023	185,000.00	50,000.00	4.625%	4,351.25	54,351.25	58,702.50
	2/15/2024				3,195.00	3,195.00	
18	8/15/2024	135,000.00	45,000.00	4.700%	3,195.00	48,195.00	51,390.00
	2/15/2025				2,137.50	2,137.50	
19	8/15/2025	90,000.00	45,000.00	4.750%	2,137.50	47,137.50	49,275.00
	2/15/2026				1,068.75	1,068.75	
20	8/15/2026	45,000.00	45,000.00	4.750%	1,068.75	46,068.75	47,137.50
TOTALS			\$ 985,745.00		\$ 487,599.26	\$ 1,473,344.26	\$ 1,473,344.26

Date Prepared	10/25/2017		
Bonds Dated	11/1/2017	Amount of Loan to be Paid	\$350,000.00
Interest Start Date:	11/1/2017	Premium	\$0.00
First Interest Payment	7/1/2018	Total Received	\$350,000.00
True Interest Cost	3.0000%		

Debt Year	Period Ending	Principal Outstanding	Principal	Rate	Interest	Total Payment	Calendar Year Total Payment
1	7/1/2018	350,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	7,000.00	42,000.00	42,000.00
2	7/1/2019	315,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	9,450.00	44,450.00	44,450.00
3	7/1/2020	280,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	8,400.00	43,400.00	43,400.00
4	7/1/2021	245,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	7,350.00	42,350.00	42,350.00
5	7/1/2022	210,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	6,300.00	41,300.00	41,300.00
6	7/1/2023	175,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	5,250.00	40,250.00	40,250.00
7	7/1/2024	140,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	4,200.00	39,200.00	39,200.00
8	7/1/2025	105,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	3,150.00	38,150.00	38,150.00
9	7/1/2026	70,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	2,100.00	37,100.00	37,100.00
10	7/1/2027	35,000.00	35,000.00	3.000%	1,050.00	36,050.00	36,050.00
TOTALS			\$ 350,000.00		\$ 54,250.00	\$ 404,250.00	\$ 404,250.00

CAPITAL ASSET SCHEDULE

Vehicles & Equipment		Value
1989 Pierce Saber Pumper M1	Fire Department	\$157,002.00
1995 Mack Pumper T1	Fire Department	\$135,000.00
2001 550XL Rescue Van Ford	Fire Department	\$100,000.00
2006 Custom Pumper KME	Fire Department	\$320,999.00
2011 International Fire Truck	Fire Department	\$225,000.00
2016 550XL Rescue Van Ford	Fire Department	\$217,793.00
2011 Chevrolet Tahoe Cruiser	Police Department	\$28,500.00
2013 Ford Explorer Cruiser	Police Department	\$38,000.00
2018 4700SF Western Star Truck	Highway Department	\$175,000.00
2007 M2 106V Freightliner Truck	Highway Department	\$122,858.00
2007 Mack Dump Truck	Highway Department	\$165,000.00
2010 Mack Dump Truck	Highway Department	\$185,000.00
2016 John Deere 554K Loader	Highway Department	\$163,000.00
2006 Kubota 2350 Tractor	Highway Department	\$20,000.00
2013 John Deere Road Grader	Highway Department	\$303,290.00
2014 F550 Ford Truck	Highway Department	\$38,299.00
2005 F350 Ford Truck	Highway Department	\$32,000.00
1984 C70 Tanker	Highway Department	\$15,000.00
Brush Chipper	Highway Department	\$13,000.00
Cargo Trailer	Recreation Department	\$9,850.00
Other		
2 Noyes Paintings	Library	\$24,000.00
Abbot - Downing Concord Coach	Heritage Museum	\$600,000.00
Historic Four Wheeled Hay Wagon	Heritage Museum	\$5,000.00
Winter Hearse	Heritage Museum	\$10,000.00
Hunneman Hand Tub	Heritage Museum	\$75,000.00
Wheeled Hearse	Heritage Museum	\$20,000.00

The source for this list is the Town's summary of exposures maintained by Primex.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTIES

Map	Lot	Sublot	Street	Acres	Value
1	2	4	GREENFIELD RD	5	\$52,800
1	10	0	FARRINGTON RD	25	\$53,000
1	13	0	FARRINGTON RD	61	\$90,500
1	16	1	GREENFIELD RD	16.73	\$122,200
2	20	0	DRISCOLL HILL RD	52	\$37,600
3	26	0	2ND NH TURNPIKE S	7.965	\$81,100
3	28	0	2ND NH TURNPIKE S	16.2	\$258,700
3	46	0	RUSSELL STATION RD	52.83	\$111,900
3	56	0	CLARKVILLE RD	0.2	\$12,000
3	91	1	JOURNEYS END RD	10	\$517
4	3	0	BACKLAND	1.4	\$101
4	4	0	BACKLAND	181	\$13,057
4	5	0	JOSLIN RD	445.24	\$319,600
4	6	0	BULLARD HILL RD	134	\$184,300
4	11	0	EAST RD	1.1	\$79
4	16	0	EAST RD	17.9	\$1,291
5	52	0	MAIN ST	1	\$5,200
5	67	0	TODD RD	6	\$5,100
5	68	0	248 TODD RD	11.8	\$205,000
6	25	1	FERSON RD	27.91	\$189,100
7	2	0	MOUNTAIN RD	50.898	\$3,671
7	3	1	EAST RD	141.135	\$233,440
7	6	0	MOUNTAIN RD	115.5	\$95,592
7	6	A	BENNINGTON RD	0	\$51,800
8	46	0	TORY PINES RD	300.34	\$191,500
8	63	0	BENNINGTON RD	39	\$92,900
8	71	0	OLD COUNTY RD NORTH	2	\$14,000
8	74	0	SHATTUCK POND RD	250	\$383,600
8	76	0	OLD COUNTY RD NORTH	22	\$86,000
8	78	1	OLD COUNTY RD NORTH	1	\$5,200
8	84	0	PLEASANT POND RD	64	\$191,300
8	89	1	PLEASANT POND RD	3	\$500
8	91	0	PLEASANT POND RD	7	\$1,200
11	4	0	SHATTUCK POND RD	90.3	\$163,100
12	5	0	242 2ND NH TURNPIKE S	10.21	\$392,000
12	5	0	242 2ND NH TURNPIKE S		\$236,300
12	8	0	2ND NH TURNPIKE S	0.25	\$37,100
12	16	0	NEW BOSTON RD	1.265	\$196,700
13	6	0	27 MAIN ST	1.2	\$336,100
13	20	0	52 MAIN ST	1	\$532,300
13	26	0	MAIN ST	1	\$187,200
13	29	0	15 NEW BOSTON RD	0.4	\$198,500
13	41	0	2 NEW BOSTON RD	1	\$483,200
13	42	A	27 GREENFIELD RD	0	\$29,200
14	19	0	MAIN ST	2.6	\$60,100

EMPLOYEE WAGES

Name	Total Wages	Position
Abbott, Donald C	\$1,200.00	Animal Control Officer
Ammon, Kara J	\$2,173.00	Lifeguard
Anderson, Jr., Thomas P	\$1,122.50	Supervisor of the Checklist
Arnold, Abigail	\$1,400.00	Selectman
Ayers, Heather S	\$8,591.75	Transfer Station Attendant
Barbalato, Donna M	\$8,346.79	Library Aide
Behrsing, Ruth	\$469.53	Ballot Clerk
Brock, Carol A	\$23,487.50	Library Director
Carbee, Barbara J	\$912.50	Supervisor of the Checklist
Cawthern, Sage E	\$136.50	Lifeguard
Cilley, George C	\$24,142.70	Transfer Station Attendant
Cook, Molly	\$1,375.00	Treasurer
Dalley, Kimberlee P	\$18,105.78	Administrative Assistant
Douglas, Jr., Frederick	\$60,936.62	Chief of Police
Dowd, Michael	\$10,626.00	Police Officer
Downs-Cripps, Susan	\$272.50	Public Assistance Administrator
Farrell, Mary T	\$7,771.61	Children's Librarian
Finnell, Pamela A	\$34,621.12	Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Foote Jr., Richard	\$2,226.16	Highway Part-time
Foote Miller, Jo-Ann	\$145.00	Assistant Moderator
Gombas, Catherine	\$240.00	Supervisor of the Checklist
Harrington, Monica L	\$22.70	Ballot Clerk
Hicks, Janet D	\$72.50	Ballot Clerk
Hinzman, Cathy J	\$15,074.73	Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Howell, Andrew B	\$1,700.00	Selectman, Chair
Jensen, Luke	\$82.00	Lifeguard
Kendall, John S	\$6,591.00	Building Inspector/Code Enforcement
Kiblin, Warren H	\$2,963.85	Building and Grounds Maintenance
Kullgren, David W	\$500.00	Deputy Fire Chief
Kullgren, Lawrence R	\$5,000.00	Fire Chief
Kunhardt, Henry H	\$1,540.00	Selectman
Lambert, Rebecca A	\$3,296.34	Custodian
Lawrence, Paul	\$240.00	Moderator
Letourneau, Zachary J	\$18,801.00	Police Officer
Long, Patricia L	\$1,211.10	Custodian

EMPLOYEE WAGES

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Name	Total Wages	Position
Marony, Mark R	\$6,070.37	Children's Librarian
McAllister, Robert M	\$17,450.00	Police Lieutenant
McGillicuddy, Christopher P	\$770.00	Police Officer
McSweeney, Janet	\$207.14	Library Assistant
Miller, Richard O	\$5,589.05	Highway Part-Time
Milton, Sr., Lester P	\$2,013.00	Police Officer
Morgan, Sr., George W	\$23,222.75	Highway/Transfer Station Attendant
Morgan, Jr., George W	\$4,782.45	Highway Part-Time
Noonan, Donna L	\$4,000.00	Recreation Director
Paige, Gary W	\$61,344.58	Road Agent
Paige, John E	\$9,859.96	Highway Part-Time
Paige, Thomas W	\$2,801.22	Highway Part-Time
Pike, Jamie A	\$53,249.82	Town Administrator
Smith, Leonard L	\$50,527.15	Highway Full-Time
St. Cyr, Jason C	\$47,517.57	Highway Full-Time
St. Cyr, Karen A	\$81.56	Ballot Clerk
St. Cyr, Paul A	\$7,067.50	Carpenter
Wilson, Keenan F	\$1,677.00	Lifeguard
Wing, Ashlynn M	\$3,006.50	Swim Instructor/Lifeguard
Wing, Taryn E	\$3,049.38	Lifeguard
Zamachaj, Peter M	<u>\$25,509.00</u>	Police Officer
Total	<u>\$595,193.78</u>	



BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT

John Kendall

My second year as Building Inspector the number of new home permits issued doubled to four and there were nine kitchen renovations, eleven outbuildings, seven bathroom renovations, five additions and four solar installations.

My responsibility in inspecting all this activity is to ensure that people are safe from falls, electrical shock, fire related and other accidental injuries in a home and have adhered to the current building code. We are still using the 2009 International Building Codes and will continue to do so until the NH Legislature adopts a new code.

I have enjoyed being your Building Inspector and continue to increase my knowledge and effectiveness with seminars and serving on the Board of Directors for New Hampshire Building Officials Association.

I am generally in the office on Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 to meet with the public to discuss building plans and other projects that may be proposed. I am also available at other times for inspections or to address any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

John Kendall

Building Inspector



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Kevin Holdredge

In 2017, the Emergency Management Department completed the update of Francestown's Emergency Operations plan. This is the plan that all town departments use to manage and coordinate their response to emergency events or natural disasters.

In 2018, our department is focused on updating our Emergency Operations Center. This is the town's command post during major incidents. We are working towards obtaining a grant in order to update our technology and information sharing systems.

The most important thing that you can do to keep your family and your home safe is to be prepared. The website www.readynh.gov has information about emergency kits, planning and contact information.

Should you have any emergency preparedness or E911 addressing questions, please feel free to call or email me.

Thank you,

Kevin Holdredge

Emergency Management Director

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Nicole Rogers

Assistant Emergency Management Director

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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Gary Paige, Road Agent

The Highway Department had a productive summer in 2017. Our gravel and sand was processed earlier than usual so we got the sand hauled earlier in the season.

We hauled gravel to various roads, including Farrington, Old County Rd South, Old County Rd North, Stevens, Russell Station, Campbell Hill, Hay Hill, 2nd NH Turnpike North, as well as others.

Culvert replacement on gravel roads included, Muzzy Hill, Ames Hill and Back Mtn. Road.

A temporary bridge was installed on Old County Rd. North as closing of the existing bridge seemed very likely. The plan is that the temporary bridge will see us through till a new one can be installed through the State bridge aid fund. The town also requested proposals for the wood decked bridge on Russell Station Rd for repair of the West abutment. The East abutment was repaired after the 2007 flooding. A company was chosen to do the work. As this is written, the permit process is being undertaken.

A large diameter culvert was found to be damaged and undermined on Dodge Hill Rd. in early November. An emergency permit was applied for, and granted, and replacement was done in very short order. The town had a culvert in stock, having been used for different bypass projects in the past.

Bible Hill roadwork began this year. Work included replacement of 15 cross culverts, installation of underdrain and a catch basin at the intersection of Hay Hill, and paving a portion of Hay Hill. The installation of the basin ended many years of a very deep hole at the bottom of the hill. Paving of that portion of Hay Hill will minimize gravel constantly filling up the basin.

In March the Town approved the replacement of our 2005 International six wheeler. The Highway Dept. opted for a Western Star to replace it and so far are very happy with its service. As always, we genuinely appreciate your continued support and look forward to it in the future

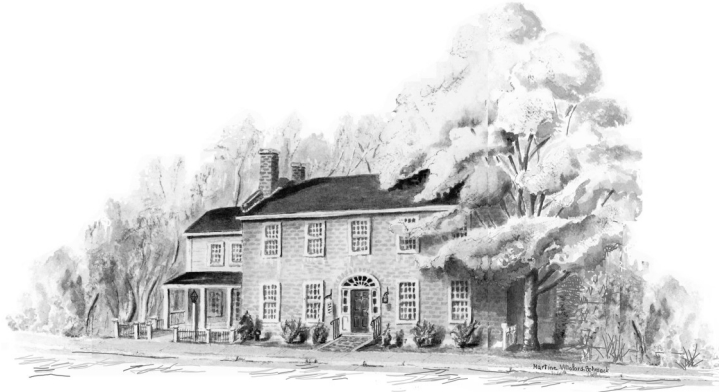
Respectfully submitted,

Gary Paige

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Elizabeth Hunter Lavalley, Chairperson

As we look back on 2017, we are proud of our dedicated staff and all they accomplished at the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library. They continued to manage and expand both the library's programming and its collection, as detailed in Library Director Carol Brock's report. In many instances, they worked closely with other groups in town, and with enthusiastic patrons, helping our library meet the needs and interests of Francestown people.



Our library has often been described as “the living room for Francestown.” Whether or not you agree with this analogy, it is a fun and welcoming place that is filled with great resources. We have a fine selection of current books (including e books), magazines and movies, and so much more. Sign up for a program or a technology tutorial, use our free Wi-Fi, borrow a museum pass (some of which are new this year,) relax with a friend over a cup of coffee, enjoy the local oral histories, make new friends playing Mah Jongg, check out the telescope – the list goes on and on. We urge everyone to come in and take advantage of it. If you are already an active patron, browse our website or stop by to make sure you aren't missing out on additional valuable opportunities for enrichment and enjoyment. Also, your library always welcomes new ideas for ways to even better serve patrons.

We have been in our beautiful building (built in 1827) since 1923, when Alison Bixby Hill donated it to the town, in memory of her father, George. An addition and substantial renovations in 2009 provided ADA and other code compliance, and nearly doubled usable space. In 2017, the town undertook to restore some of the windows, which were in poor condition. At this writing, the work was being completed and the windows should last for many years to come, better protected from the elements and restored to their original beauty.

In early June, we were sorry to lose Children's Librarian Mary Farrell, when she moved into a full time job outside of town. Mary was our Children's Librarian for 10 years; she did an outstanding job and is still missed at the library. Carol did a yeoman job making sure that the Summer Reading Program and other library services proceeded without a hitch. We also are grateful to Library Assistant Donna Barbalato who worked many additional hours to help Carol keep everything running smoothly in the Children's Library. Finally, we want to thank Ruth Behrsing, Monica Harrington, and Janet McSweeney for joining the library staff then to help out.

In 2017, Trustee Robin Macrae Haubrich was elected for a second, three-year term. We thank

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

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Charles (Mike) Swinford who served as an Alternate for almost two years, until he moved out of town a few months ago. In 2017, Mindy Pobst also was an Alternate.

We are fortunate to have a small but loyal group of Friends of the Library. This past year we used the proceeds from an earlier Friends fundraiser to order George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library mugs and pens, custom designed by local artist and Friend, Martine Villalard-Bohnsack, as part of a new fundraiser.

The public is welcome to attend the monthly meetings of the Board of Trustees. Check our website and local postings for dates and times.

Respectfully submitted by the Trustees of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library:

Elizabeth Hunter Lavallee, Chair
Janet B. Hicks, Treasurer
Robin Macrae Haubrich, Secretary
Deborah N. Rogers
Paul Lawrence
Mindy Pobst, Alternate

Account Name	Beginning Balance, Jan. 1, 2017		Deposits and Interest		Disbursements	Ending Balance, Dec. 31, 2017	
Anne Schott Memorial Account	\$	1,752.09	\$	2.24		\$	1,754.32
TD Bank Checking Account	\$	11,249.56	\$	4,212.41	\$ (4,554.56)	\$	10,907.42
Memorial Building Fund	\$	4,985.61	\$	-	\$ (3,102.41)	\$	1,883.20
Harwood Fund	\$	48,051.82	\$	5,615.02	\$ (24.92)	\$	53,641.92
W& R Money Market	\$	1,274.21	\$	3.22	\$ (0.23)	\$	1,277.21
	\$	67,313.29	\$	9,832.89	\$ (7,682.12)	\$	69,464.07

Unrestricted Donations: \$1,800.00

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Carol Brock

LIBRARY PATRONS					
Library Visits	9482				
New 2017 Patrons	92				
New 2017 Cards	47				
LIBRARY MATERIAL CIRCULATION					
		Adult		Children	
Fiction Books		2655		3603	
Non-Fiction Books		617		933	
Audio		238		61	
Video		611		346	
Magazines		576		7	
Total		4697		4950	
NUPAC Interlibrary Borrowing (New Hampshire Union Public Access Catalog)					
Interlibrary Loans	140				
Interlibrary Borrowed	452				
Total NUPAC	592				
Total Hard Material Checkouts	592	4697		4950	10,239
ELECTRONIC CIRCULATION					
NH Downloadables Consortium Content User Stats & Checkouts					
New Users Registration	14				
Unique User Activity	218				
Ebooks	422				
Audio Books	306				
Nook Periodicals	5				
Total Electronic Checkouts	965				965
Total Circulation Checkouts	965		10,239		11204

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

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LIBRARY HOLDINGS					
Total Number of Library Holdings	17489				
Books	16183				
Reference Books	15				
Music Books	7				
Music CD/Cassette's	42				
Music VHS	11				
		Adult		Children	
Audio Books		470		80	
DVD Video		322		370	
Franeestown Historical Recordings	124				
Periodicals:					
Magazine Subscriptions	22				
National Geographic Magazines	395				
Newspapers:	Monadnock Ledger			Wall Street Journal	
Computers:	4 Desk Tops	1 Lap Top		1 Chromebook	
1 AWE (All in One Complete Children's Digital Learning Center)					
LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS					
		Adult		Children	
Books		347		203	
Audio Books		40		10	
Videos		43		10	
Magazines		22 subscrip			
Computer	Patrons				
Computer Staff Use	514				
Computer Patron Use	123				
Computer WIFI Use	229				
Child AWE Use	171				
Children Chromebook Use	52				
Programs					
Adult Programs	100				
Adlt attend/Programs	981				
Child Programs	51				
Child Prog Attendance	494				
Child Adult Attend	100				
Meetings	33				

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

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LIBRARY DISCARDS AND DONATIONS					
		Adult		Children	
Total Materials Discarded	1231				
Books: Fiction		552		7	
Books: Non-Fiction		645		1	
Biography		24		0	
Audio		0		0	
Video		0		2	
		Adult		Children	
Total Materials Donated to Library	150				
Books		16		*128 Clif	
Audio		1		*1Clif	
Video		3		0	
Newspaper Subscriptions		1		0	
Single Magazine Subscriptions		0		0	
MONEY					
Library Copier		\$120.35			
Overdue Fines		\$417.25			
Patron Card Replace/Out of Town		\$65.00			
Book Sale		\$122.00			
Fax		\$10.00			
Patron Book Replacement		\$44.00			
Miscellaneous Donations		\$126.95			
Martine Bohsack Card Sales		\$15.00			
Schott Book Sale		\$97.00			
Walking Tour Book Sale (to FIHS)		\$0.00			
Annual Totals		\$1,017.55			
COMMITTEE MEETINGS					
Friends of the Library		Francestown Auxiliary			
Francestown Library Trustee's		Francestown News Board			
Pleasant Pond Association		Francestown Democratic Committee			
Community Meeting Room Uses		Book Club Discussion Committee			
Garden Club Board		Joan Hanchett Nature Series Committee			

LIBRARY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

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Tuesday Evenings with Heidi's Movie Series: January – April

Thursday Evenings with *Mah Jongg*

Free Technology Help Sessions with Ruth Behrsing

Meetings with “Friends of the Library”

Pleasant Pond Annual meeting and program

Play Readings with Jeff Levis

Wednesday Afternoon: *Creative Art for Adults*

New Hampshire Humanities Program: Steve Collins (Walt Whitman)

Book Discussions:

- Boys in the Boat with moderator Marsha Dixon & Hannah Proctor
- *Small Great Things* with moderator Stephanie Lee
- *The Aviator's Wife / Gift from the Sea* with moderators Elizabeth Hunter Lavallee & Marsha Dixon
- *The Things They Carried* with moderators Mindy and Kevin Pobst
- *A Man Called Ove* with moderator Donna Rafdal

Town Hall Quilt Project *demonstration and kick-off quilting day*

Evening with Washington D.C. honoree, veteran Sirkka Holm

Craft Programs with Ruth Behrsing:

- *Sew your own Felt Hats*
- *Sew your own hand held Device Case*
- *Sew your own Tape Bag*
- *Sew your own Gift Bag*
- *Sew your own Small Cable/ Coin Device*

Visit and Learn: *New Favorite Apps Night* for your Hand Held Electronic Devices

Joan Hanchett Nature Spring Series, *Spring Amphibians and Vernal Pools* with Tom Tynning

National Library Week Celebration

New Hampshire Humanities Program: Debbie Goss (Abby Hutchinson's Sweet Freedom Songs)

Book Reading *They Called Her Kate* & Discussion with Author *Polly Cote*

All Day Cupcake Fun



LIBRARY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Continued...

Children's Librarian Mary Farrell leaves

Theatre Club with Jeff Levis

New Children's Librarian Mark Marony joins the staff

Craft: Make a *Paper Mache' Santa* with Kathy Marx (4 sessions)

Joan Hanchett Nature Fall Series, *State of the Loon*, *The Natural History, Challenges and Successes of Loons in New Hampshire* with Biologist Harry Vogel

Halloween: Pumpkin Carving Competition

Trick or Treat

Community Supper

Labor Day 100th year Celebration

Labor Day: Historical Photo Booth with Mindy Pobst & Robin Haubrich

Library Art Display: Ukraine Children's *Idea of American Science Fiction on paper*

Steve Collins presents "*Butterfly*" by Carl A. Rossi as a one man show about the life and times of James McNeill Whistler

Ugly Christmas Sweater Day

Christmas craft: *Snowflake Tablerunner*

Christmas drop-in coffee & cookies

Reading with Riley the Dog and Deborah McGrath of "Tail Waggin" Tutors

April afternoon *Lego Club*

Bedtime Math/ Pizza for Teens

Family Reading Night at Francestown Elementary School

Lamb & Ewe Story Time, at Harrington Farm, with Monica Harrington

Summer Reading Program Kick-off, at FES school; with storyteller, Simon Brooks

Summer afternoons:

- Constructing Wind Cars
- Building Bird Feeders
- Quilt Tile Construction for Children's Community Wall
- Building Pasta Sculptures

Mariposa Museum Program: *Build a Better World* with Lisa R. Bearce

Halloween Jack-o'-lantern Display & Competition

*CLiF Grant Event at FES; with author/illustrator, Marty Kelley

*CLiF Book Checkout Event at FES

LIBRARY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Continued...

*CLiF Story Time and Book Giveaway at the Learning Vine Preschool Program

Winter Lego-Rama, building with Legos

Story Times:

- Weekly Toddler Story Times
- Afterschool: Groundhog Day theme
Valentine's Day theme
Alien's theme

Children's Maker Play afternoons:

- Snap Circuits
- Legos
- Mag formers
- Gears, Gears, Gears

Book Discussions:

- *Mr. Popper's Penguins* with Stephanie Lee
- *Matilda* with Stephanie Lee
- *Frindle* with Stephanie Lee
- *Pippi Longstocking* with Stephanie Lee
- *Because of Winn-Dixie* with Stephanie Lee
- *Babe* with Stephanie Lee
- Middle Reader's: *Running out of Time*

Movie Nights:

- Jumanji (Teens)
- Christmas Movie, Arthur (Family event)

Fun Craft Programs:

- Origami Book Marks
- Snowman
- Halloween Arts & Crafts
- Thanksgiving Arts & Crafts
- Holiday Arts & Crafts



****The George Bixby Holmes Memorial Library received a grant for the 2017-2018 school year through the *Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) Rural Libraries* program. This grant was secured by former town Children's Librarian, Mary Farrell, with support from former FES Principal, Nicky Fraley, and FES Librarian, Nicole Murray. This grant contributed \$500 worth of new books to the FES collection, and \$2,000 worth of new books in the town library children's collection. Meredith Scott is the CLiF representative for this region.**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Frederick Douglas



It is my pleasure to submit the following report for the Francetown Police Department for the period covering January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, to the honorable Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator and citizens of the Town of Francetown. This report will identify the overall activities of our organization and inter-departmental changes that have taken place throughout the year. We continue to be committed to our primary mission to provide a responsive, professional law enforcement service to the community of Francetown. We will continue to work in concert with the citizens of Francetown as a “team” in order to maintain and build upon this objective which is to provide a safe and positive quality of life for all.

Personnel: During the year the following staff adjustments occurred. Two (2) officers that were part-time officers for our agency resigned due to their required commitment with their full-time employment for the Hillsboro Police Department. I would like to thank both Officers Phil **Marcellino** and Christopher **McGillicuddy** for their service to this community. On December 28, 2016 Officer Zachery **Letourneau** was hired as a part-time patrol officer. Officer Letourneau subsequently attended and successfully graduated from the 273rd Police Standards and Training Council Academy in May. On August 4th Officer Robert **McAllister** was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. On August 31st Officer Michael **Dowd** was hired as a part-time patrol officer after having served for over thirty years with the Milford Police Department. Officer Michael Dowd brings with him a vast amount of law enforcement experience to our agency and community and is a great addition to our organization. Officer Lester **Milton** continued to serve our agency as a part-time patrol officer. Their dedication and commitment to the citizens of this community continues to be apparent and I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to all our employees.

Our Animal Control Officer (ACO) Don **Abbott**, along with support from his wife Linda, were very responsive to the needs of the citizens. I would like acknowledge both of them for their dedication and sincerely thank them for a job well done. Throughout the year the ACO handled eighty-one (81) calls for service and rendered assistance to the citizens and officers of our department.

Training: Throughout the course of 2017 our officers attended various training sessions in order to stay proficient with their profession. These training sessions included both mandatory subject matters such as recertification with firearms, Use of Force and OC Spray (both classroom and practical) and general training sessions. There was continuous in-service training pertaining to various required subject matters including motor vehicle, criminal law domestic violence, motor vehicle collision investigation updates to name a few. This type of training not only delivers a well-trained and organized professional law enforcement agency to the community but can assist in shielding the municipality from vicarious civil liability.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Calls-For-Service/Officer Activity:

3,022-Hillsborough County Dispatch Log

Non-Criminal		Criminal	
Abandoned/911	3	Arrests	7
Abandoned Motor Vehicles	2	Burglaries	4
Alarms/Residential-Business	40	Criminal Mischief	6
Animal Complaints	74	Criminal Threatening	1
Assist Citizen	37	Criminal Trespass	7
Assist other Agencies	48	Domestic Disturbance	10
Building/Property Checks	338	Fraud	3
Civil Stand-bys	9	Harassment	3
Disabled Motor Vehicles	16	OHRV Complaint	16
Disturbances	13	Thefts	3
Juvenile Matters	8		
Medical Emergencies	61		
Missing Persons	2		
Motor Vehicle Accidents	24		
Motor Vehicle Complaints	22		
Motor Vehicle Lock-outs	4		
Motor Vehicle Stops	931		
Noise Complaints	5		
Road Hazard/Obstructions	48		
Suicidal/Attempted Issues	3		
Suspicious Activity	18		
Suspicious Person	7		
Suspicious Vehicles	23		
Well Being Checks	16		
Parking Complaints	10		

Note: There were 320 Calls for Service related to non-criminal activity in various categories.
New Hampshire State Police responded to forty-three (43) calls in 2017.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closing Remarks: It is extremely important for all of us to recognize that in a very real sense, it is the citizens who are the police. History, tradition, and law dictate this reality. Law enforcement officers who are compensated to carry out sworn duties are members of the public who are an extension of the citizens. We, as law enforcement officers cannot hope to accomplish our goals and objectives without the cooperation of the citizens of Francestown. Law enforcement's effectiveness depends on public support. A well informed citizenship is essential to our democracy.

We wish to thank the citizens of Francestown, the Francestown Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, and all members of the specific boards that serve our town and support our staff. Your dedication, commitment and support are truly appreciated.

Finally, I would like to thank the employees of the Francestown Police Department for their commitment and dedication to their profession and to the community. I would especially like to thank the citizens and businesses of our community for their continued support as we work in partnership to improve the quality of life for everyone as it relates to public safety.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick G. Douglas Jr.

Chief of Police



L to R: Chief Frederick Douglas, Lieutenant Robert McAllister, Officer Michael Dowd, Officer Lester Milton and Officer Zachary Letourneau.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Donald C Abbott

Breakdown of calls for 2017

Dogs –

Missing	11	
Strays	30	– includes running at large
Found	18	
Nuisance	8	– includes barking, bothering people walking their dog/s, bothering people while riding their bikes, roaming/”off leash”

Cats –

Strays	6
Missing	8
Found	

Livestock	10	– cows, goats, horses, pigs, turkey
Wildlife	9	– skunk, fox, raccoon, baby birds, bear
Other	12	– includes neighbor issues, dog bite, transport of 2 cats and 2 dogs to shelter facilities

Total calls	112	– total does not include calls which Francestown Police received & handled
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To help re-unite owners with their pet(s) when they go missing, please call so I am aware that your pet is missing – 547-6850 will get you police dispatch. They will take the information and relay it to me.

2017's rabies clinic was a success. A rabies clinic will be held in April 2018 – watch for posters as to the date and time. State law requires cats be vaccinated against rabies. Remember, when attending the rabies clinic, cats need to be in a carrier and dogs on a leash. Please remember to bring along your animal's current rabies certificate.

State law requires all dogs over 3 months old be licensed by April 30th each year. Remember – in addition to the license fee – there is an additional fee after June 1st to license your dog (\$25.00 Forfeit Fee and \$1.00 per month for each month you are delinquent). Proof of rabies vaccination (a rabies certificate) is required to license your dog – make sure to bring the certificate with you when you go to the Town Office to license your dog.

Once you have licensed your dog, please put the license tag on your dog's collar – this helps us locate you should your dog wonder off. Pick-up fee - \$20.00; care of animal - \$10.00 a day.



PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR

Thomas P Anderson, Jr.

The Public Assistance Administrator provided assistance to eight families or residents in 2017. Two of the families received and continue to receive ongoing assistance which accounted for the bulk of the budgeted expenditures this year. The others were provided with short-term food vouchers, temporary housing or heating/lighting assistance. Francestown Friends, a local non-profit organization, continued to provide assistance to families who need assistance but that don't qualify for assistance under the town's guidelines. Automobile repairs, license and registration fees, children's summer camp and holiday gift cards are examples of these types of assistance. Francestown Friends as well as the Town of Francestown Public Assistance Expendable Trust Fund welcome donations for assistance. The Trust Fund was established several years ago to provide the administrator some latitude in providing assistance not generally available under the guidelines or from Francestown Friends. The Grapevine Family and Community Resource Center in Antrim also offers a variety of services to Francestown residents including pre-school programs, child care, the wood bank and the Peoples Service Exchange Program. For additional information you should contact the Grapevine directly. They are always willing to help.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas P Anderson, Jr.

TRANSFER STATION

George Cilley, George Morgan Sr., and Heather Ayers

George Cilley Sr., George Morgan Sr. and I would like to thank all those that worked so hard for us. The new building is wonderful. The old building had so many issues and needed to be replaced. All the hard work hasn't gone unnoticed. Thanks to Jamie Pike, Selectmen, Transfer Station Board members, Paul St. Cyr and Bruce Harrington.

The Highway Dept. does so much with the plowing and sanding to keep it safe here. We appreciate all they do for us. They always go above and beyond.

Clarence Paige, Rick and Steve Miller thank you for crushing the cardboard, plastic and demolition roll off. It takes a lot to keep things running smoothly, and it is appreciated.

Another good year for recycling. A job well done by all.

A friendly reminder for people to please dump trash and then move over by the paper/cardboard to then do your recycling. We have had many complaints and it helps to keep the traffic flowing.

Also the swap room is another area of concern. No broken or dirty things. Use the shelves when possible. Too many things are destroyed and thrown on the floor. DO NOT put TV's, computers, printers, E-waste in swap room. We have a small fee for these. Please see one of the attendants.

We are looking forward to another great year here at the Transfer Station. There are many new residents and puppies and we look forward to getting to know them all and wish a healthy, happy year for all.

Respectfully,

Heather Ayers



WASTE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Rebecca Moul, Chairman

The Transfer Station endured some renovation this year with the attendants “shed” being replaced with a new “Office”. This was done for several reasons with the main one being health. The rodents were burrowing under the building, having babies and dying. This created a great health risk for the attendants and anyone who ventured into the shed. The attendants, George Cilley, Heather Ayers and George Morgan would like to thank everyone involved in this project for all their efforts. They are very grateful for the new Office. It was built to keep unwanted guests (rodents) out! Thank you Francetown residents for your understanding and working with us during the construction phase.

The original plan for 2017 upgrade at the Transfer Station was to pour a cement pad for the metal pile. While we were cleaning the metal pile up we began using a container to hold the metal. When the issues with the shed became apparent in the spring the cement pad was placed on the back burner. The container system has worked well for us this year. It is keeping the TS cleaner. Even with the haul cost we are still making money on the metal.

The State of NH has a goal of a 40% recycling rate. In 2017 Francetown is at a 40% recycling rate. What that means is 60% is still being thrown in the compactor. In 2017 we transferred a total of 676.9 tons with 271.4 tons being recycled materials and 405.5 being compactor materials. Our recycling efforts have decreased by 6% putting us right in line with the state goal. Let's all work together to increase our rate back up to where we were in 2014, a 47% recycling rate.

Revenues are generated two ways at the Transfer Station. One way is resident fees for E-Waste, CD & Bulky and Tires. Mixed Paper, Aluminum Cans and Metal (all collected and sold) is the second way. There was \$13,501.84 put into the general fund in 2017 for all of these commodities sold. Of that, the residents generated \$7,844.29 for CD & Bulky, Tires & E-Waste.

	Tonnage	
	2015	2016
Commodities		
Compactor (MSW)	392.9	392.2
CD & Bulky	91.26	76.85
Paper	109.21	98.81
Glass	62.79	65.48
Co-Mingled	34.9	23.81
E Waste	4.69	6.63
Metal	20.18	56.99
Totals	715.93	720.77

	Revenues	
	2015	2016
Commodities		
CD & Bulky	\$7,842.75	\$6,292.25
E-Waste	\$2,052.00	\$2,264.24
Tires	\$724.00	\$367.25
Mixed Paper	\$2,333.10	\$440.65
Aluminum Cans	\$2,402.00	\$1,458.00
Scrap Metal	\$779.73	\$4,795.97
Totals	\$16,133.58	\$15,618.36



“Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions”

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Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 37-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date **Technical Assistance** in waste reduction and recycling including solid waste contract negotiations;
- **Cooperative Marketing** to maximize pricing and **Cooperative Purchasing** to minimize costs;
- Current **Market Conditions** and Latest **Recycling Trends**, both regionally and nationwide;
- **Innovative Programs** (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- **Educational and Networking Opportunities** through our Annual Recycling Conference, our Monthly “Full of Scrap” email news, monthly Marketing meetings, **members' only website**, workshops and Fall Facility Tours;

NRRA MARKETING TONNAGES

■ 2016 - 2017 Annual Tonnage Totals
■ 2015 - 2016 Annual Tonnage Totals



- **NRRA School Recycling CLUB** - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- **NH DES Continuing Ed Credits;**
- **NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recyclemobiles.**

NRRA membership has grown to include more than 400 municipalities, businesses and individuals in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine. NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a “brokerage fee” or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal “Co-op” Fee” which is re-invested to further your recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities.

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 52,000 tons in fiscal year 2016-2017!

Please contact NRRA at 800-223-0150 / 603-736-4401 or visit our website at www.nrra.net



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"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

Town of Frankestown, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact your recycling has had on our environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2017	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Electronics	7,300 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 0.9 houses for one year!
Scrap Metal	33.4 gross tons	Conserved 93,531 pounds of iron ore!
Tires	5.4 tons	Conserved 3.6 barrels of oil!

Avoided Emissions:

Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

By recycling the materials above, you have avoided about 174 tons of carbon dioxide emissions
This is the equivalent of removing 37 passenger cars from the road for an entire year

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Lawrence “Larry” Kullgren

2017 Officers:

Chief	Larry Kullgren
1st Deputy	Brian Delahanty
2nd Deputy	David Kullgren
Captains	Kevin Holdredge Aaron Eder-Linell
Rescue Captain	Celeste Lunetta
Lieutenants	David Hanlon Paul Marshall
Standing Committee	Paul Marshall Aaron Eder-Linell Jennifer Hardwick
Clerk	Jennifer Fritz
Treasurer	Paul St. Cyr
Forest Fire Warden	David Kullgren
Deputy Wardens	Larry Kullgren Brian Delahanty Kevin Holdredge Aaron Eder-Linell David Hanlon Celeste Lunetta

Breakdown of Calls:

Medical	82
Water Rescue	1
Mutual Aid	22
Motor Vehicle Accidents	11
Trees & Wires	15
CO/Fire Alarm Activation	11
Chimney Fire	3
Service Calls	3
Appliance Fire/Issue	2
Brush Fire	4
Car Fire	1
Storm Response	4
(24 hour period w/ 22 related calls)	
LP Gas Leak	0
Missing/Lost Person	1
Structure Fire	1
Miscellaneous	3
Total Calls	164

In 2017, the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department responded to a record 164 calls. Each month the department holds monthly trainings, business meetings, rescue meetings, and weekly truck and equipment checks. This equated to roughly 3,332 hours to cover Emergency calls, 1653 hours on non-emergency activities and 1,172 hours of training. In totality about 6,157 hours were logged staffing emergency and non-emergency calls in 2017.

As a department, Francestown Volunteer Fire & Rescue continuously strives to be better and stronger for our community – from new equipment and public events, to its members participating in various trainings. Like years past, I was proud to see some of our members better their medical training and knowledge. These actions directly improve the level and timeliness of care we can provide while awaiting the response of our ambulance service. In conjunction with the medical training are other skills including driving, technical rescues and operation of the varied equipment needed to complete the duties at hand.

In 2017 The Francestown Fire Department with help from the Mount Crotchet Fire Fighters

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Continued...

Association were able to purchase and place in service a set of "Rescue Jacks". These special tools help Firefighters and EMT's stabilize vehicles that have rolled over and allow our Personnel to safely remove the occupants. The MCFA also helped purchase several sets of Protective Fire Gear.

The 2017 Annual Labor Day Fundraising was well received and the Ham and Bean Supper was well attended. We like to thank all you who were able to donate and support the department and its members. Without our hard working members and their families we would not be the department we are. I would like express my thanks to the men and women of the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad for their many efforts and services in 2017.

I would like to take this opportunity to Thank Retired Deputy Chief Al Van Cleave for his dedication serving and protecting his Community for forty-three years! Deputy Van Cleave joined the Company in 1973 and served as Firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician, Board of Fire Wards, Fire Captain, Training Officer, 2nd Deputy Chief, and 1st Deputy Chief and was one of the Very First members when the Rescue Squad was formed. I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to Al. The Department wishes you all the best in your retirement and you are truly missed by all.

Thank you Deputy Van Cleave!

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Captain Aaron Eder-Linell. Captain Linell has announced his retirement after dedicating twenty-six years of unwavering commitment to his Community. Captain Linell has served as a Firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician, Training Officer, Standing Committee Member, Board of Fire Wards, Deputy Forest Fire Warden and Fire Explorer Advisor. I want to extend a huge Thank you to Aaron from the Department and Myself. Aaron's dedication and commitment to this Department and to his fellow Firefighter's and EMT's will be missed.

"Thank you Captain Linell!"

Finally, I remind our community to have adequate, preferably reflective house and/or mailbox numbers on both sides of their driveways to assist our response to you and all other responding emergency agencies. Please be safe with fires, check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, practice family evacuation plans and do not hesitate to reach out with a question – our department is here for you. Thank you again.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry Kullgren, Chief of Department

STATE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

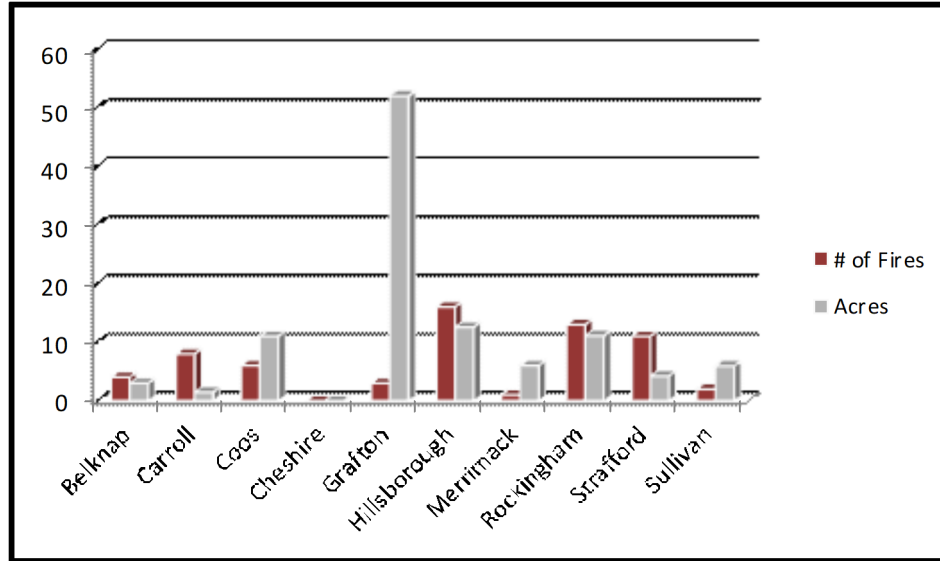
This past year we were fortunate enough to have favorable weather conditions in the spring and summer which limited the amount of wildland fire activity throughout the state. September and October saw fire conditions change and the state was faced with some difficult fires. The Dilly Cliff fire in North Woodstock was one of the most challenging fires we have seen in New Hampshire. Steep terrain and extreme fire behavior made this fire difficult to fight. It lasted for over 3 weeks and the final hotspots in inaccessible terrain were extinguished by heavy rains. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2017 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 www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2018 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

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HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2017	64	107
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED								
(These numbers do not include the WMNF)								
Arson	Debris Burning	Camp-fire	Children	Smoking	Rail-road	Equipment	Lightning	Misc. *
0	7	11	1	4	0	4	0	37

AUXILIARY OF THE VOL. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Karen St. Cyr, President

Officers elected for 2017

President: Karen St. Cyr
Vice President: Linda Abbott
Secretary: Donna Barbalato
Treasurer: Judi Miller



The Auxiliary of the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department actively aids and benefits the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department - a 100% volunteer fire company. We provide assistance when needed, and financial support to the department, primarily via the Directory Project. Our service extends to the Francestown community and beyond. This year was challenging and busy for us, as well as being one of change and opportunity. New members, Kelly Marshall, Lisa St. John, Bev Abbott and Janet McSweeney were warmly welcomed to the organization.

Meetings are scheduled every other month, except during the summer months. We are also on call 24/7 for refreshments when the fire department is out on extended calls. On two occasions this year, food, hot beverages and water were provided on scene, and at the firehouse for covering fire companies during two winter calls - a nighttime house fire and a midday windstorm. In June, refreshments were provided for a special Saturday morning Regional Training Seminar presented by Lt. Bill Greenwood, the official from the support agency that assisted the FVFD with plans for the funeral service for Cole Wohle. Attendees from the local area and beyond were invited.

March was our busiest month. The Auxiliary provided refreshments for the deliberative session of Town Meeting. We thank the many residents who have patronized and generously supported this fund-raising effort over the years. On the last Tuesday in March, the Auxiliary hosted the traditional corned beef dinner for the March meeting of the Hillsborough Country Forest Fire Wardens.

Successful semi-annual blood drives held in May and November boosted the total of pints collected to almost 1300 pints since blood drives began in response to the need for blood following 911. In spite of a cold and rainy October day, Francestown Elementary School students and staff and homeschooled families enjoyed an enlightening and memorable Fire Prevention & Safety presentation at the firehouse. The Auxiliary provided refreshments and presented Toadstool Literature Vouchers to each classroom.

At the luncheon following the annual Veteran's Day Service, the Auxiliary presented a quilt, designed and hand made by a "quilt angel" resident, to the veteran who won the drawing. The luncheon, hosted by the Parent Teacher Organization at Francestown Elementary School, was the first town event held at the renovated Town Hall. The PTO and children served a standing-room only gathering, and continued the traditional luncheon established by the Auxiliary when the Veteran's Day service began in town close to a decade ago.

The Auxiliary is a sponsor for the Welcome Basket project that welcomes new residents moving into town. 2017 was a record-setting year for the number of deliveries for the initiative, which is continued by a 3rd generation family member. Over a dozen families had a special Christmas, thanks to efforts of the Community Church of Francestown, together with help from the Auxiliary and many residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen St. Cyr

BUDGET & ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charlie Pyle, Chairman

INTRODUCTION

As directed by a vote of the 1978 Town Meeting, the duties of the Budget and Advisory Committee (BAC) are:

- to advise and assist the Selectmen as requested,
- to participate with the Selectmen in the preparation and final compilation of the annual Town Budget, and
- to publish and post not less than fifteen (15) days prior to Town Meeting in two or more conspicuous locations within Town its findings and recommendations with regard to each item of the budget and all articles proposing capital expenditures as approved by the Board of Selectmen.

BUDGET PROCESS

During the past year, the BAC met with Jamie Pike, Town Administrator, the Selectmen, Department Heads and interested parties to review the operating budget and proposed warrant articles. BAC meetings are open to the public and held in the meeting room at the Town Offices; notices are posted in the Post Office and Town Offices. Interested parties are encouraged to attend.

The BAC reviews each year's budget proposals under the following operating/guiding principles:

- Utilize a three-year historical review of trends in actual expenses and previous budgets,
- maintain existing level of services,
- work towards a flat-line 2018 budget.

2018 BUDGET & WARRANT CONSIDERATIONS

The current proposed budget, supported by the BAC, is a 2.3% increase (before bond payments) over the 2017 approved budget. During budget sessions, the BAC worked with the Town Administrator and Selectmen on the proposals for department budgets, focusing on Personnel Administration, Legal, Fire, Highway & Streets, Solid Waste and Recreation.

Regarding other warrant articles, the BAC supports the Capital Improvement Plan, Building Projects, the proposed Electronic Ballot Counter, Fire, Police and Highway equipment purchases, Bible Hill Road reconstruction, a new basement floor for the Thulander Museum and rehabilitation of the baseball field. The BAC also supports funding the Cemetery and Legal/Welfare Trust Funds and the Master Plan Expendable Trust Fund from undesignated fund surplus.

For more information on all warrant articles, including the budget, plus BAC findings and recommendations, please see the complete Budget & Advisory Committee Report, available prior to Town Meeting. This year's report will be posted at the Francetown Post Office, Library, Town Offices and on the Town's website by the end of February.

Special thanks to Jamie Pike for his diligence and assistance with this year's budget and thanks fellow Committee members: Tom Anderson, Stewart Brock, Judi Miller and John Thalhauser for their participation in and dedication to the preparation of our 2018 budget recommendations.

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Polly Freese, Chairperson

There were 6 interments and 1 lot sold in Cemetery #3 in 2017.

Maintenance included some tree work and pruning of shrubs in all 3 cemeteries. The shed at #3 still needs some repairs. The pump in #3 is new, but has had some problems holding the prime.

The survey of #3 is ongoing and will be completed this year. This information will be put on a computer, and will be a better record of availability.

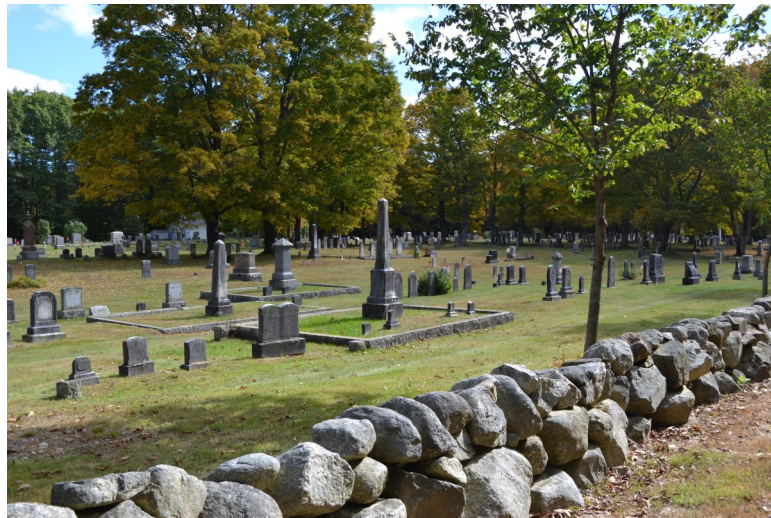
The Rules and Regulations have been revised and updated.

Respectfully Submitted,

Polly Freese, Chair

Ruth Behrsing

Ethel B MacStubbs



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Betsy Hardwick, Chairman

The Conservation Commission had a busy year working collaboratively with other groups and conservation organizations to provide educational programs and events, taking care of business as needed and working on a variety of projects.

We welcome two new members this year, Robin Haubrich and alternate Jim St Jean, and thank outgoing member BJ Carbee for her many years of service.

By contributing \$7,500 from our conservation fund we helped the Frankestown Land Trust protect a 100 acre property directly adjacent to the Town's Dinsmore Brook Conservation Area. The property is located off from Wilson Hill Road and contains important wildlife habitat and water resources including the headwaters to Collins Brook. FLT also received grant funding for the "Collins Brook Headwaters" project through the NH LCHIP and "Moose Plate" programs.

Annual inspections of town held easements and fee-owned conservation land were completed, and thanks to hardworking volunteers, three illegal buildings constructed within the conservation easement area on Crotched were demolished and removed. We were very pleased that the Highway Department was willing to haul the construction debris away to the Transfer Station as there was a lot of it! We met with new owners of the Hill easement property (near Pleasant Pond) to review their plans for the property; discussed their proposal to make dam repairs and possibly modify the access to the property. It was clarified for them that creating a road as needed for forestry or agricultural uses was allowed under the terms of the easement but that any such road could not be used for residential access.



Distributed native plant seedlings - juneberry this year - to the Elementary School children; provided the "special" blue trash bags for the Earth Day roadside cleanup; worked with Town Administrator Jamie Pike to update the Conservation Commission section of the town website; formally adopted our revised Rules of Procedure after a public hearing; and updated and adopted our short term "Conservation Action Plan" (proposed goals and objectives). Members attended spring and fall conservation conferences/workshops.

Cosponsored a winter tracking hike with FLT in February. In spite of thickly falling snow several hardy souls attended and explored the new Collins Book Headwaters property with us. We held a moonlight hike in March, hiking through the fields and forests near Dinsmore Brook under a beautiful moon on a very cold night, enjoying refreshments after at the home of Scot & Lisa Heath. We cosponsored another hike with FLT in the fall to promote family friendly walks; held an invasive upland plant workshop with Doug Cygan, Invasive Species Coordinator for the NH Dept. of Agriculture; set up a "storybook walk" in the Crotched Mountain Town Forest for young children; and with the Library, FLT and the Frankestown News helped coor-

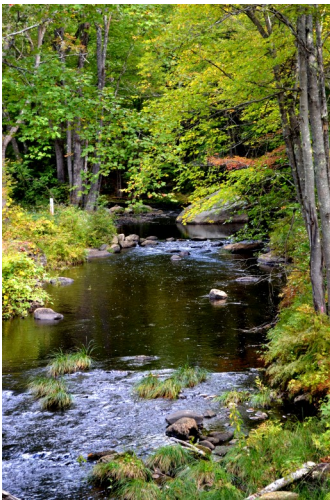
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dinate two Joan Hanchett Nature Series programs, one on vernal pools and one on loons.

Discussed the DES application review process and reviewed DES permit applications; held a site walk at a property on Russell Station Road where the landowner is proposing to dig a pond in wetlands; voted to support warrant articles for invasive milfoil management in Scoby and Pleasant Pond; and agreed to support a possible cooperative program for loon protection at the ponds.

Stewardship and management of town forests and other town-owned conservation land is our ongoing responsibility. This year we met with our consulting forester Ron Klemarczyk to discuss concerns related to invasive insects, particularly those affecting hemlock. He agreed to take a look at some of our trees and get back to us if there were any problems; also discussed holding a future field workshop with him about forestry issues. A few commission members and other volunteers cut and cleared brush and downed trees from trails, roads and kiosks in the Crotched Mountain Town Forest. Paul Marshall donated his time and tractor to mow the wildlife fields there this year – they need to be mowed periodically to keep them open for habitat – and did a great job. The critters will be happy next spring!



With many miles of well-used hiking trails throughout our town conservation lands trail maintenance is another continuing concern. We are fortunate to have some great volunteers who spend many hours working on our trails - sometimes we know who they are and sometimes we don't but their efforts are always appreciated! We know we had some help from Hancock residents this year as we ran into them working away on the Crotched trails on Thanksgiving weekend - it was a pleasant surprise and nice to be able to thank them. We also thank Ben Haubrich for his ongoing help keeping maps and signs updated as well as working on trails and bridges, and we thank Paul Marshall for all his help on various projects including constructing a new foot bridge over the wetland on the Shattuck Pond trail.

The new snowmobile trail through the Dinsmore Brook Conservation Area is finished. There are some issues with inappropriate vehicle traffic through the property; if the problem continues gates may be installed. Sadly, the new foot bridge on FLT's adjacent Miller Family Memorial property - on the trail leading into the Dinsmore area - washed out during a heavy storm this year. Volunteers rescued it from the water downstream and it is hoped to be put back in place soon.

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The Commission discussed developing a mapping and management strategy for invasive up-land plants; first thing is to identify focus areas or “hot spots” where control strategies may have the most impact. The state has prepared maps for every community identifying these areas as well as suggesting priority focus plants – these are invasive plants that are still fairly new to the area and have not yet fully taken hold – the idea being that if we can remove them early enough we may prevent them from ever taking hold. The largest “hot spot” in Frankestown is in the northerly section along the Deering town line including around Shattuck Pond. Suggested focus plants are Black Swallowwort, garlic mustard and Norway maple. We hope to work more on this over the next year or so, confirming actual plant locations and then planning how to best deal with them.

The Conservation Commission looks forward to continuing to work cooperatively with local landowners and other conservation organizations to conserve and manage our natural resources in the most effective and reasonable way possible. Once again we thank you for your ongoing help and your support of our conservation efforts.

CONSERVATION FUND REPORT

Available balance 01/01/17	\$28,602.23
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Income

Use Change Tax (50%)	12,830.00
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Interest	56.32
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Donation (Hampshire 100)	100.00
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<u>LCHIP Stewardship Payment</u>	<u>800.00</u>
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<i>Total Income</i>	<i>\$ 13,786.32</i>
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Expenses

Land protection: FLT	7,500.00
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Field maintenance	100.00
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<u>Trail work/bridge</u>	<u>40.44</u>
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Total Expenses	\$ 7,640.44
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Ending Balance	\$ 34,748.11
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN CONSERVATION LANDS

TOWN FORESTS (total 1485.37 acres)

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|----|---|--------------|
| 1) | Shattuck Pond
(Curren/McDonnell purchase, LWCF/LCHIP Grants) | 418 acres |
| 2) | Crotched Mountain Town Forest
(King, Merrill, Schultz, Hardwick and Tamposi purchases and Merrill
Donation - south side of Crotched Mountain, Hardwick 2004 purchase &
East Rd lot 4/11 per town vote) | 888.46 acres |
| 3) | Driscoll Hill Town Forest
(Bowman Tract - off Driscoll Hill Road -1989) | 53.6 acres |
| 4) | Lord Town Forest
(Ferson Road -1974) | 27.91 acres |
| 5) | Piscataquog River Town Forest
(Behind/beside transfer station -1984) | 6.0 acres |
| 6) | Fire Tower Town Forest
(Former state fire tower site 1984-Crotched Mt. summit and
Northfield Mt. Herman School purchase (2004) & 50 acres of old ski area land) | 52.4 acres |
| 7) | Wharton Lot Town Forest (2007) | 39 acres |

OTHER TOWN-OWNED CONSERVATION LAND (636.30 acres)

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|----|--|--------------|
| 1) | Cilley I - donated, deed restrictions | 3 acres |
| 2) | Cilley II - donated, deed restrictions | 7 acres |
| 3) | Old County Rd N. (former Kampe lot, easement with FLT) | 23.72 acres |
| 4) | Old County Rd N. (Fisher Mill site, easement with FLT) | 2.46 acres |
| 5) | Dinsmore Brook Conservation Area (2007 & 2010) | 302.67 acres |
| 6) | Piscataquog/Rand Brook Confluence (Stewart, 2010) | 52.83 acres |
| 8) | Crotched Mountain (2011- SPNHF-old ski area) | 234.63 acres |
| 9) | Journey's End Black Gum Swamp (FLT easement) | 10 acres |

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TOWN CONSERVATION EASEMENT INTERESTS: (348.29 acres total)

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| 1) | Pleasant Pond/Piscataquog River-Hill | 144.9 acres |
| | (Off Pleasant Pond Road, donated by Ellen M. Hill) | |
| 2) | Piscataquog River - Varnum | 45.6 acres |
| | (Poor Farm and Todd Roads, donated by Harry & Connie Varnum) | |
| 3) | Piscataquog River - Dunscombe | 22.63 acres |
| | (South New Boston Road, donated by Karen Dunscombe) | |
| 4) | Whiting Brook (Off route 136, donated by Anthony Davis) | 25.26 acres |
| 5) | Humphreys | 12.3 acres |
| | (Dodge Hill Road, donated by Keith & Maris Humphreys) | |
| 6) | Bicknell/PWA (2006 - Russell Station Rd & Cressy Hill)) | 75 acres |
| 7) | Murray - Piscataquog River (2006 Donated by Patricia Murray) | 2.5 acres |
| 8) | Avery - (Cr. Mt., Avery 2008) | 20.1 acres |

EXECUTORY INTEREST (Secondary Easement Holder – 565.65 acres)

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| 1) | Jones - (FLT, New Boston Road) | 56 acres |
| 2) | Howe - (FLT, donated 2006 Red House Road) | 29.26 acres |
| 3) | Neilley - (FLT, donated 2010 Old County Rd S) | 9 acres |
| 4) | A. Arnold - (FLT donated 2010, Old County Rd N) | 6.46 acres |
| 5) | Lord - (FLT modified 2010) | 9.72 acres |
| 6) | King- (SPNHF, 1989, Candlewood Hill) | 61.1 acres |
| 7) | FLT/Turner (SPNHF, 2008 Russell Station Rd.) | 86 acres |
| 8) | Kingsbury Hill Farm (2012, Candlewood Hill Rd) | 59 acres |
| 9) | Brennan Falls – FLT/Schott (2014) | 149.46 acres |
| 10) | Collins Brook Headwaters (FLT, new 2017) | 99.65 acres |

*+ and per 2005 warrant article – 5 acres pending finalization of easement documents

Information on conservation land that the town does not own or hold some sort of interest on is available in the Natural Resource Inventory on the conservation page of the town website.

HERITAGE COMMISSION

Michele Hamel Ferencsik, Chairman



The Francestown Heritage Commission has had an especially successful year. With the financial backing of the residents of the town, two grants from LCHIP, and the generous donations from the supporters of the Town Hall, the Heritage Commission was able to raise over one million dollars for the rehabilitation of the Town Hall. The Board of Selectmen, past and present members of the Heritage Commission, architect Mike Petrovick, and the team from the MacMillin Company met in April on the steps of the Town Hall to officially begin the project.

The Heritage Commission members had two official informative on-site visits at the Town Hall during the summer. Ruth Behrsing once again crafted a wonderful Heritage Commission float for the Labor Day Parade and once again was awarded a ribbon by parade judges for her creative effort. We were all grateful for her special contribution on behalf of the Commission. In November we hosted the grand opening of the Town Hall. A champagne reception was attended by residents, the Board of Selectmen, architect Mike Petrovick, LCHIP executive staff, MacMillin contractors, and Senator Ruth Ward who presented us with a special resolution to celebrate the occasion.

The Town Hall has since hosted the annual meeting for the Piscataquog Land Conservatory, two library discussion evenings and the annual Veterans Day celebration of the Patriotic Services Committee led by Scott Carbee with assistance from committee members and Heritage Commission member BJ Carbee.

We continued fundraising at the Francestown Elementary School holiday fair. This was especially successful due to a generous donation of artistic renditions of the Town Hall by Elly Miles. Ruth Behrsing, Pat Thalhauser and Jan Hicks, Francestown quilters, are working on a heritage quilt that will hang in the Town Hall. This fundraising effort will help with our stewardship mandate. Our newest member Pat Krueger will create a marketing plan for the Commission that will explore ways to reach new markets for Town Hall use.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Kris Stewart who volunteered extra time and effort beyond his contracted excavation work to complete the Town Hall rehabilitation. And thank you to Lisa Stewart who has given countless hours as the Commission's volunteer bookkeeper and kept all our records in order.

We look forward to making this iconic building a special meeting place for residents, town groups, and collaborative events with all the buildings on the Common. Thank you all for your vision and support.

HERITAGE MUSEUM

Curators: Bill McAuley, Robert Abbott, and Jennifer Vadney

After several years working to preserve Francestown's historic past, 2017 was a year when many facets of our town and ancestry came together. The Francestown Heritage Museum is honored to have been a part of this preservation effort. In this past year we focused on expanding our role through additions to our exhibits, highlighting community awareness and education.



- Donations resulted in a significant increase in both the number and scope of our exhibits
- Our visitors guide continues to be rewritten based on continuing research concerning the history and historic use of the individual items. The goal is to reformat this guide into a smaller personal size that visitors can take with them as they view the exhibits and also make copies available for sale
- We have reached out to the new FES principal, Katherine Foecking, and are working on a spring program for the students as part of their planned class spring visit to the museum. We are also developing teaching aids for this program
- To further community awareness of what is happening at the Heritage Museum we have increased the number of newsletters that we put out and added a BCC e-mail distribution list to increase access. If you would like to receive these periodic newsletters, please send your e-mail address to wfm03043@comcast.net
- We continued our efforts to increase our available space to provide a more open and less congested exhibit area. This will also allow us to display additional exhibits which are in storage due to space constraints. Over this past year we have completed some preparation work in this regard such as the addition of windows on the lower level and screens for all windows to improve summer ventilation. Electrical wiring on the lower level has also been expanded. We hope to be able to complete the floor on the lower level in 2018 which will make that space available.

The above, as well as the successful renovations of the Town Hall and the opening of the FIHS beehive have coalesced to help make the Francestown Common, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, a community focus.

The curators of the Francestown Heritage Museum would like to thank the BOS for their support and all the volunteers whose countless hours have contributed to not only the success of the Heritage Museum but also the restoration of the Town Hall and FIHS Beehive.

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Scott S Carbee, Polly S Freese, & Richard D Roberts

Due to rain, Memorial Day 2017 was observed at the Francestown Elementary School with students, faculty, parents and community participants from Francestown and surrounding area towns. Veterans made up the Color Guard, carrying flags representing the five branches of Service, the US flag and the flag of the state of NH. Steve Griffin, former Selectman and Navy veteran, was the Master of Ceremonies. Students of FES led the service with the Pledge of Allegiance and sang patriotic songs and a student from each grade placed a pot of geraniums (to be planted later at the GAR Memorial to the Unknown at Cemetery #3) by the podium. Reverend Beth Simmons, of the Community Church of Francestown, said a prayer. Taps was played by two members of the Conval HS band. As the students lined up to go back to



their classrooms, each participant was given a small American flag. Before the veterans left to place wreaths at Cemetery #3, at the gate at Cemetery #2, and at the Memorial Rock at the Old Meeting House Common, members of the PTO served refreshments to the participants.

On Veterans Day, always at 11 AM on the 11th Day of November, the annual Francestown Veterans Day Parade was held with a Francestown Color Guard and the Rifle Squad from the American Legion Post #50 of Antrim. The ceremony was led by former Selectman Navy vet Steve Griffin. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the members of Boy Scout Troop #2. The passing of many Francestown veterans was noted for the last year. Those veterans were Robert Eggleston, Victor Hyman, Warren C Ponton, Rino Sanchioni, Stuart F Clark, Carl H Hardwick, and A Lawrence Barr. Guy Tolman, US Army Veteran of the 173rd Airborne Division of the Vietnam War, presented the memorial wreath. Rev Beth Simmons said a prayer and Taps was played by Francestown resident Len Holmes. At parade's end, we were all able to go back into our newly renovated Town Hall for the annual Veterans Day luncheon. This year the task of putting on the delicious luncheon was taken on by the Francestown Parent Teacher Organization (FES PTO). The event was most successful and more than 100 people enjoyed the luncheon. Although the members of the Auxiliary to the Francestown Fire Department were not doing the refreshments as they had done for many previous years, they did again hold a raffle for a hand-made quilt. The raffle is only open to veterans and for many years has been anonymously donated by a generous quilter. This year the beautiful quilt was won by Francestown resident and veteran Warren Howarth.



The members of the Patriotic Purposes Committee invite all Francestown residents to our two annual community events. The date for the Memorial Day celebration is always determined by the FES calendar as this event is primarily to introduce young school children to patriotism and serving one's country. The Veterans Day service is always on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11 AM. Hope to see you at both!

PLANNING BOARD

Larry Ames, Chairman

In 2017 the Planning Board continued its work on the Master Plan Update and work on local Complete Streets and Solar Up NH initiatives with the SNHPC. The Board accomplishments also included; recommendation of Zoning Ordinance amendments which were passed at Town Meeting, evaluation of a Sedimentation and Erosion Control Plan, and the finalization and approval of the updated Land Use Section of the Master Plan. The Frankestown Planning board continues to work with the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission and to take advantage of its resources.

2017 Town Meeting:

To address a state law change, the Planning Board revised the Zoning Ordinance to establish a larger maximum size and allow more occupants in an Accessory Dwelling Unit(ADU) and voted to place it on the Town Meeting ballot. ADUs can help provide living space for seniors choosing to age in place while retaining some independence as well as for younger folks just entering the workforce. The revised ordinance was passed at Town Meeting.

Subdivision Regulations:

The board finalized a review of our Subdivision Regulations correcting references, restoring lost appendices and making other minor amendments.

Master Plan Update:

The Land Use Section of the Master Plan Update was completed, brought to Public Hearing on November 7 and adopted into our Master Plan. We'd like to thank the MPU committee and particularly Karen Fitzgerald for her diligence in bringing it all together. We welcome the public's participation and input in completing the sections remaining to be updated.

At the same Public Hearing the board amended the Natural Resource Inventory to reconcile a discrepancy between a table and a map relative to the name of a brook.

Complete Streets:

A group from UNH chose our Complete Streets initiative as a class project.

Case Work:

There were no subdivisions or voluntary consolidations this year and no change in the number of lots in town.

The Board was presented with a Sedimentation and Erosion Control Plan. Following evaluation on October 3, the plan was returned with recommended additions and changes needed in order to be 'certifiable'.

The board held a public hearing on November 7 to review an application from the Town of Frankestown pursuant to RSA 231:157 &158 to conduct normal roadside vegetation maintenance work along Old County Road North, a town designated scenic road. The board unanimously approved the town's application.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The primary purpose of the Town's Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which is created by the Planning Board and recommended to the Board of Selectmen for implementation, is to provide a valuable planning tool to help the Town anticipate, prioritize, coordinate and manage its capital expenditures. In Frankestown, a capital expenditure is generally considered an appropriation for something that costs \$5,000 or more and has a useful life of at least three years. Frankestown's CIP also considers non-capital items that appear on the warrant, such as milfoil treatment and prevention, the development of fire ponds, and the revaluation of property.

The Planning Board met several times from October through December to review the proposed CIP, met with department heads and committee chairs, and considered the financial implications for the plan in both the short and long terms.

The major change to this year's CIP is a reduction in the funding of the capital reserve for bridge repair made possible by a one-time additional Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$81,510. \$58,000 was used in 2017 to install a temporary bridge over Collins Brook on Old County Road North, not slated for replacement until 2025. The balance of the funds, along with an estimated \$28,000 of previously appropriated capital reserve funds will allow repairs to the Russell Station bridge which should extend its useful life.



There are 7 major capital items for voter consideration for 2018, which include a new cruiser for the Police Department, a new 1-ton truck and backhoe for the Highway Department, and exterior painting of the Town Hall. Also included is a phased replacement program for the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and radio equipment for the Fire Department. Major road reconstruction projects are scheduled throughout the program, and this coming year will be the completion of phase I of the re-construction of Bible Hill Road.

There are also 2 other smaller projects considered for 2018 which include the pouring of a concrete floor in the basement of the Heritage Museum and a non-capital project for the purchase of an electronic ballot counter and its 1st year of operational costs.

Looking forward, there are a number of projects/purchases that have a major impact on the longer range CIP:

Fire and Rescue vehicles are on a 30 year replacement cycle. While the current 1989 Pierce Pumper cost \$157,000, its replacement in 2020 is projected to cost approximately \$670,000.

There are 3 Highway trucks that are scheduled for replacement over the next 7 years at a projected cost of \$800,000.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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The replacement of the Old County North Road bridge scheduled for completion in 2025 will require advance funding in 2021 to begin the engineering phase and there are other re-listed bridges that will require rehabilitation and/or replacement in the future.

Road reconstruction is currently planned to be a long-term project with stable funding for the foreseeable future.

The current phased programs of SCBA and radio equipment replacement, for the Fire Department, concluding in 2023 and 2026 respectively are projected to cost \$135,000.

The Fire Department is planning to accelerate the replacement of the SCBA equipment in 2019 with grant funding.

On a 5-year cycle, all property in Town must be revaluated in conformance with Department of Revenue regulations. The next revaluation is scheduled for 2019 at an approximate cost of \$65,000.



No new projects were added to the plan this year.

Projects discussed but not funded include; a sewer system for Main Street, major overhauls of fire trucks after 15 years and handicapped access for the town offices. Cost pressures on the operating side: the Fire Department has indicated that it plans to begin moving towards a paid department and at the time of this re-

port, the State Legislatures was proposing a statute intended to force towns to use more full time, not part time, police officers.

The main differences between the 1st year of the new CIP, 2018, and actual warrant articles is the application of more fund balance to the latter. Also, while the CIP assumed funds would be carried over from 2017 for the renovation of the police station, the actual warrant articles reflect an entire new appropriation for \$45,000 more than initially proposed.

The summary of this year's CIP is provided to assist you in your decision making at Town Meeting. If you would like a copy of the complete plan or have any questions about the plan and how it is prepared, please contact the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie A Pike

Town Administrator

FIRST YEAR OF CIP AS COMPARED TO 2018 TOWN WARRANT

	CIP Proposal Year	2018	Warrant Proposal 2018	Estimated Tax Impact
DEAPRTMENT				
General Government	\$	55,000	\$	229,350
Police Station	\$	-	\$	170,000
Heritage Museum	\$	7,500	\$	3,750
Town Hall Painting	\$	40,000	\$	45,000
Electronic Ballot Counter	\$	7,500	\$	5,600
Recreation Field Maintenance	\$	-	\$	5,000
Police	\$	52,000	\$	52,000
Cruiser	\$	52,000	\$	52,000
Fire and Rescue	\$	35,000	\$	35,000
SCBA Pack Replacement (Annual 2023)	\$	10,000	\$	10,000
Radio Equipment (2018, 2023, 2028)	\$	25,000	\$	25,000
Highways and Streets	\$	295,000	\$	295,000
Dump Truck	\$	75,000	\$	75,000
Backhoe	\$	50,000	\$	50,000
Road Improvement	\$	170,000	\$	170,000
Appropriations to Capital Reserves	\$	562,800	\$	602,800
Fire Equipment	\$	7,500	\$	7,500
Highway Equipment	\$	150,000	\$	150,000
Bridges	\$	25,000	\$	25,000
Cemetery Improvements	\$	300	\$	300
Police Vehicles	\$	15,000	\$	15,000
Fire Trucks	\$	130,000	\$	150,000
Town Buildings	\$	50,000	\$	70,000
Property Appraisal	\$	15,000	\$	15,000
Town Roads	\$	170,000	\$	170,000
Use of Undesignated Fund Balance	\$	(125,300)	\$	(200,300)
Appropriations to Other Trusts	\$	12,300	\$	12,300
Master Plan	\$	2,000	\$	2,000
Legal & Public Assist	\$	10,000	\$	10,000
General Cemetery Maint	\$	300	\$	300
Use of Undesignated Fund Balance	\$	(12,300)	\$	(12,300)
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (Less UFB)	\$	874,500	\$	1,013,850

Revenues Applied to Project Costs (excluding current year property taxes)

State Funds	\$	-	\$	-
Capital Reserve Withdrawal	\$	418,750	\$	593,750
Gifts/Other	\$	10,750	\$	7,000
LESS TOTAL AVAILABLE REVENUES	\$	429,500	\$	600,750
NET ANNUAL CAPITAL EXPENSE (Funded by Current Year Property Tax)	\$	445,000	\$	413,100
			\$	2.16

Notes: Tax Impact based on a valuation of \$191,051
 UFB—Use of Unassigned Fund Balance
 CRF—Capital Reserve Fund Withdrawal
 D—Donation

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

2017-2022 (Summary)

DEPARTMENT	Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	6 Yr TOTAL
General Government		\$ 55,000	\$ 97,000	\$ 4,500	\$ 2,000	\$ 29,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 189,500
Police		\$ 52,000	\$ -	\$ 52,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104,000
Fire & Rescue		\$ 35,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 680,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 780,000
Highways and Streets		\$ 295,000	\$ 210,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,845,000	\$ 180,000	\$ 495,000	\$ 3,375,000
Appropriations to Capital Reserves		\$ 562,800	\$ 587,500	\$ 592,500	\$ 492,500	\$ 470,000	\$ 470,000	\$ 3,175,300
Appropriations to Other Trusts		\$ 7,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,300
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 1,007,100	\$ 904,500	\$ 1,679,000	\$ 2,349,500	\$ 689,000	\$ 1,002,000	\$ 7,631,100
Revenues Applied to Project Costs (excluding current year property taxes)								
State Funds		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,088,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,088,000
Capital Reserve Withdrawal		\$ 422,500	\$ 313,000	\$ 1,110,000	\$ 780,000	\$ 213,000	\$ 533,000	\$ 3,371,500
Bond Proceeds		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Use of Undesignated Fund Balance		\$ 137,600	\$ 125,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 312,600
Gifts/Other		\$ 7,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 52,000
TOTAL AVAILABLE REVENUES		\$ 567,100	\$ 440,000	\$ 1,192,000	\$ 1,870,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 540,000	\$ 4,824,100
NET ANNUAL CAPITAL EXPENSE (Funded by Current Year Property Tax)		\$ 440,000	\$ 464,500	\$ 487,000	\$ 479,500	\$ 474,000	\$ 462,000	\$ 2,807,000
ASSESSED VALUATION								
On Which Taxes are Raised		\$ 191,890,474	\$ 192,139,931	\$ 192,389,713	\$ 192,639,820	\$ 192,890,252	\$ 193,141,009	
TAX RATE IMPACT FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS		\$ 2.29	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.53	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.46	\$ 2.39	
Compute: (Net Annual Capital Expense/(Assessed Valuation/\$1,000)) = Tax Rate Per Thousand Valuation								

SOUTHERN NH PLANNING COMMISSION

2017 Frankestown Report

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission's staff



designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance mandated by New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which pertain more exclusively to a specific community.

Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of the Planning Board and/or

Board of Selectmen. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects of common interest and benefit to all member communities; keeps officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation; and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association, offers annual training workshops for Planning Board and Zoning Board members.

Services performed for the Town of Frankestown during the past year are as follows. Hours listed represent work for the Town only; in projects involving multiple municipalities the total hours spent by SNHPC staff is higher. For example, 14 hours were spent by SNHPC staff organizing a legislative event for NH Legislators and local officials in the SNHPC region for the 14 municipalities in the region; equally dividing the total hour results in 1 hour of benefits that can be attributed to the Town.

Town of Frankestown Representatives to the Commission

Scot Heath
Prescott "Guy" Tolman
Rebecca Harris, Alternate
Jennifer Vadney, Alternate

Executive Committee Member: Scot Heath

SOUTHERN NH PLANNING COMMISSION

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No.	Hours	Project Description
1	66.25	Becoming Age Friendly: Provided communities and businesses with age-friendly assessments, organized a community forum, continued to work with communities in educating stakeholders on age-friendly topics and concerns;
2	58	Continued updating the regional travel demand model, which has been using in traffic volumes forecasting on roads in the region for the future;
3	41.2	Represented the interests of the Town on the Region 9 Regional Coordination Council for the Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services Project;
4	35	Coordinated Frost/Stagecoach Scenic Byway Council meetings, undertook mapping updates, and began work on marketing initiatives;
5	29.8	Conducted traffic counts at 10 locations;
6	23.3	Made updates to the NHDOT 10-year Plan;
7	16.6	Performed Strategic Highway Research Program 2 (SHRP2) program evaluation and revision - now Partnering for Performance NH (PPFNH);
8	16	Coordinated Community Leaders , NHDOT representatives, and assisted University of NH students with a capstone project related to crosswalk and safety concerns in Village center;
9	13.7	Worked on NH Rail Transit Authority Advisory and Governance Boards projects;
10	12.7	Compiled building permit data and certificate of occupancy permit records to record dwelling unit totals from all municipalities in the region;
11	10.8	Continued with Phases 1 and II of The Brownfields Region Wide Assessment Grant, which is used for environmental studies and investigations to help move contaminated sites to clean up, redevelopment and reuse. Contaminated sites located in town centers and villages and near public water bodies and groundwater drinking sources have a high priority for funding;
12	9.6	Made edits to the Long Range Transportation Plan;
13	9.3	Developed a Complete Street Toolkit; provided an opportunity for communities to participate in a complete streets pilot project program;
14	7.6	The FY 2015-2040 Regional Transportation Plan was developed and approved, TIP: The FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program was developed and approved;
15	7.1	Organized Outreach and Education Events such as our ongoing Planning Round Table events on Conservation Commission & Open Space Management, bringing in experts from various state agencies such as Census. Also provided a site plan review and analysis class;
16	6.8	Updated and adopted the Title IV Policy and Environmental Justice Program;
17	6.5	Identified fatal and incapacitating crash locations in Francetown;
18	4.7	Updated the Congestion Management Process;
19	4	MS4 Storm Water Coalition and Regional Planning Commission Coordination of MS4 Efforts;
20	4	Conducted volume counts on Soby Pond Rd and Dodge Hill Road;
21	2.5	Updated interactive maps displaying traffic count locations and traffic volumes for the Town. Maps are now available on the SNHPC.org website;
22	2.5	Provided monthly information to the Planning Board regarding upcoming meetings, project and grant updates, webinars and other training opportunities through the planning commission's quarterly Newsletters, monthly Media Blasts and periodic E-Bulletins;
23	2	Assisted the town with 2018 Road Safety Audit (RSA) applications; coordinated and participated in RSA program;
24	2	Provided staff assistance to Statewide Coordinating Council for Community Transportation (SCC);
25	1.5	Regional Water Supply Assistance Including facilitation of second regional multi-community and agency forum, continued assistance to communities on coordinating information, brought in experts from various agencies and consultant teams;
26	1	Participated on the NH BPTAC (Bike-Ped Transportation Advisory Committee) Counting Subcommittee, preparing a statewide counting plan and conducting the inaugural counts using shared automated counting equipment;
27	1	Organized and facilitated a Legislative Event for NH Legislators and local officials in the SNHPC region.

RECREATION COMMISSION

Donna Noonan, Director

2017 was another great year for the Francestown Rec. We acquired some new members. Welcome Tom and Dawn Kirlin, Ben Cook, Mike Beisang. These families have helped us immensely this year and we are glad to have them on board.

Our Little League Baseball Teams had another Big League year. We fielded four teams combined with the towns of Greenfield, Peterborough and Antrim. Our T-ball (ages 5-6) and Rookies (ages 7-8) teams worked on skill building and learned many new things. Our Majors (age 11-12) team played a great season and built up their skills for next year. Our Minors team (age 9-10) made it all the way to the championship. They played a great game but were defeated by their opponent after a terrific effort. Great job to the Minors and great job to all our young players.



The Tim Samuelson Memorial Fishing Derby was held in May. Mother Nature gave us a great day. No rain! We had 78 young anglers come out to try to catch "The Big One". The biggest of the day came in at just over 17". Thanks to the Whole Family and Francestown Village store for providing us with delicious donuts and coffee. Special thanks to the Samuelson Family for once again donating all the prizes for this event. It's a wonderful way to remember this young man, Tim Samuelson, who was taken from us too soon.



The beach got a facelift this year. One of our investments was brand new ropes for the beach. They look awesome and thanks to Tom Kirlin and the Lifeguards for making sure they look perfect. Our beach was again kept safe by our stellar lifeguard staff. Thanks to Ashlynn Wing, Taryn Wing, Keenan Wilson, KJ Ammon and Luke Jensen for keeping us safe. Additional thanks to Ashlynn Wing for being both Head Lifeguard and WSI swim instructor again this year. Ashlynn does a wonderful job teaching our young ones the fundamentals of swimming.

Halloween was a huge success again this year. We had so many fun things to do. The Beisang Family brought the Haunted Trailer and added to the activities along with the Trunk or Treaters. Even our School Bus Drivers had the Halloween spirit and came with a Haunted School Bus. This has become a nice addition to

RECREATION COMMISSION

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the usually Halloween festivities and we hope it will last for many years. The hayride is a very popular attraction as well as the many dedicated residents of Main Street who make this night special for our young folks. The Francestown Fire Dept. and Francestown Police Dept. are a huge part in making this night a success and we could not keep this fun activity without their help in closing Main Street and safely rerouting the traffic. We also have some very generous townspeople who donate lots of candy for this event to help alleviate the expense for the Main Street Residents. This is what small towns are all about.



The last and latest purchase we made was an improved skating rink system. The rink is always dependent on Mother Nature but with the help of the Francestown Fire Dept. and The volunteers of the Rec Dept. we try to make it a success. Hopefully we will all see some ice time this year.

The Recreation thanks you all for your constant support. Here's to a fantastic 2018!

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Noonan

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Thomas P Anderson, Barbara J Carbee, Catherine A Gombas

2017 was much quieter for the Supervisors than the year before. We only had one election – Town Election and the accompanying Saturday meeting. There were no primaries and multiple times to meet to register new voters, so expenses should be down considerably from the prior year. The Supervisors only met for 4 work sessions. During those times voters were registered and inputted into the ElectionNet NH system, names of the deceased were taken off our checklist and many voters were removed after receiving a ‘Thirty Day Letter.’ This year, as we have many new residents, the Supervisors will again be going through the list of registered voters and sending out letters to those voters who we believe have moved. If we do not get a response from the voter, we meet in session again to remove that voter from our checklist. If a voter moves and re-registers in a new NH community, the Supervisors get automatic notice.



The Eby's didn't let the snow stop them from getting to the polls on March 14, 2017

Although annually there are changes to the NH election laws, we still have the ability to register and vote on the same day. The only times you cannot register and vote (but your participation is requested!) is at the Deliberative Session of the School District Meeting and at the Saturday Session of Town Meeting. The Supervisors of the Checklist do meet in public session several times a year and it is publicized on the town's website and at the bulletin boards at the Town Offices and the Post Office. If you do not take the time to do so then, you may see the Town Clerk during her weekly posted hours and fill out an application to vote.

As you may know, the election data is all compiled through the ElectionNet system, and is computerized state-wide. If someone previously registered in another NH town moves into our community and registers to vote, the number of the voter registration and the voter's history all comes to us, via the ElectionNet system. Oftentimes, usually 10 days prior to an election, the State of NH mandates our sessions for a certain date and time. If you have questions about voting you may contact the Town Clerk, a Supervisor of the Checklist or the Secretary of State's office. The Secretary of State website has a wealth of information for you to explore. Check out <http://sos.nh.gov/Elections.aspx>

Although the State of NH finally recognized the Libertarian Party, no one in Francestown has yet to register. As of the last voter registration session and checklist update, at the time of writing this report, there were 1114 voters on the Francestown checklist with voters registered as 445 UNDECLARED, 384 REPUBLICAN, and 285 DEMOCRAT.

TOWN HISTORIAN

Judith Miller

Total Registered Voters -1114

Democrats-285

Republicans-384

Undeclared-445

Building Permits - Electrical-24, Mechanical-36, Building-26, Septic 5, Solar-4, Plumbing-10, Demo-4.

The Town saw some major changes during the past year – the Village Store closed, the ‘Beehive’ historic rooms opened, and the Town Hall restoration project was completed.

During the year the Francestown Improvement and Historical Society (FIHS) celebrated its 100th Labor Day in grand fashion with fireworks, dances, games and booths. The annual Labor Day weekend Festival raised over \$15,000 for FIHS. This year’s Parade, “The Last 100 Years”, featured multiple bands and the most floats in recent memory with the Grand Prize won by Our Town Landscaping for “Apollo 11”. Also on Labor Day, FIHS opened its new home and museum “The Beehive” renovated with the help of private do-



nations and a grant from the NH State Land and Community Heritage Investment Program. During the summer, FIHS hosted a cookout at the Lodge on Main Street in June and supported seasonal flowers around the Town Common, patriotic flags on utility poles, the annual Christmas Tree Lighting, Town Hall window candles and holiday wreaths for town and FIHS buildings. The FIHS Lodge was open for the fifth annual Francestown Arts Festival, various recreation activities, and meetings by FIHS members and other community groups.

The Francestown Land Trust (FLT) acquired two important properties in 2017: The Collins Brook Headwaters, 100 acres of very important wildlife habitat off Wilson Hill Road, which was funded by N.H. LCHIP, N.H. Moose Plate and several other grants and many public donations. Also acquired was the 8-acre Brennan Brook Confluence Project along the South Branch of The Piscataquog River. This was funded almost entirely by a N.H. DES Aquatic Resource Mitigation grant.

TOWN HISTORIAN

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Programs co-sponsored by FLT included two Joan Hanchett Nature series programs: Tom Tyning's amphibian talk and the State of the Loon presentation. FLT also co-sponsored with the Con Com a winter (storm) tracking snow shoe and a family foliage hike up Wilson Hill (High Five). FLT sponsored The Caterpillar Lab presentation at its annual meeting. FLT appreciated the annual Arts Fest, which celebrates the creativity of locals and the good works of The Francestown Land Trust.

The Old Meeting House had a full program of events in 2017, including Candice Wharton's Spring Concert, the Monadnock Chorus Chamber Singers' concert, and Electric Earth's concert in June; followed by the Matt Savage Trio concert, Jacob MacKay and Eric Stumacher concert, and Judy Blake's Dragon Fly in July; and then Last Train to Kinkov in August. Major fundraisers included the 5th Annual Tour de Francestown bicycle ride and a Box Lunch Social. The Old Meeting House was also utilized for the August wedding of Lisbeth Mae Aho and Joel Thomas Wastlund. Additional community support was provided by the Old Meeting House hosting the Francestown Land Trust's Annual Meeting, Vespers and Labor Day building tours, as well as a memorial service for Stuart Fairbanks Clark. The Trustees also provided and served the December Community Supper at the Francestown Village Church.

The Francestown Garden Club's year included informative and entertaining programs, a member garden tour and another successful annual May plant sale which, again, raised over \$3000. This year's annual scholarship competition was won by high school senior, Anna



Sarkisian, with her essay on "The Solitude and Joys of Nature." At Francestown's Labor Day event, the Club raised \$693 for F.I.H.S. at its plant booth.

Francestown student enrollments: ConVal-49, Great Brook-49, South Meadow-3, Francestown Elementary-63, Antrim Elementary-3, Greenfield Elementary-2, Peterborough Elementary-1, Home Schooled Students-25.

To the best of my knowledge, residents who were serving in 2017 in the U.S. armed forces were: Navy – Petty Officer 2nd Class **Devon Wade**, Specialist 2nd Class E5 **Steven Finnell**, Lt. **Liam Delahanty**, Petty Officer 3rd Class, **Erick T. Naegeli**; Army Reserves, PFC **Dana Pope**; Air National Guard-Sr. Airman **Daniel Taylor**; Army National Guard-Private 1st Class **Shauna Myers**, Specialist **Seth Myers**.

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Francestown mourned the loss of many current and former residents in 2017:

Victor Hyman Jan. 11, 2017 – Accomplished guitarist, who taught music at Franklin Pierce College, he will be remembered for his music, his gentle kind spirit, sense of humor and love for his family.

Elizabeth Jones Feb. 16, 2017 - She enjoyed gardening, puzzles, sewing mother-daughter dresses and riding habits and attending horse shows. She was a life time member of NH Horse and Trail and a family member of Granite State Morgan.

Sandy Collins Feb.26, 2017 – A career veteran of the US Air Force, serving as an air traffic controller. She and husband Gary, were former long-time residents before moving to Arizona in 2004.

Carolyn (Woody) Woodbury Feb. 27, 2017 – An adventurous & independent soul, she was one to speak her opinion. She was a world traveler, and loved hunting, fishing, gardening...all of nature!

Rino Sanchioni April 18, 2017 – A son of Italian immigrants, Rino was a self-employed finish carpenter and cabinet maker. He and wife, Dolores and family moved to Francestown in 1972.

Wilma (Jeri) Cilley June 16, 2017 – A resident for more than 36 years, she enjoyed volleyball, water skiing, snowmobiling, knitting and doing crossword puzzles.

Stuart Clark July 4, 2017 – A WWII veteran, he came to Francestown after the war. He owned and operated his own insurance agency for many years. He loved to hunt and fish, play golf & tennis.

Harriet Cope August 1, 2017 – She moved to Francestown in 1966, restoring the historic Poor Farm. She owned and operated Travel Consultants in Peterborough for many years, traveling widely herself.

Gordon Sherman August 2, 2017 - A former resident, he was a co-director of the Deering Conference Center, a found of PFLAG in 1986, & volunteer for Concord Homeless Resource Center & NH Kairos at Concord Prison.



TOWN HISTORIAN

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Catherine (Kitty) Abbott August 14, 2017 – Moving to town after WWII, she served as tax collector for 14 years. She was a seamstress, loved knitting & needlepoint, her gardens and her backyard wildlife.

Natalie Sanderson October 3, 2017 – A former resident, she founded and operated Kingsbury Hill Riding School for 40 years. Additionally, she was a speech therapist at various schools, and loved sailing the New England coastline.

Carl (Sonny) Hardwick October 5, 2017 – He was a lifelong resident, and hardworking man. He was an avid farm paraphernalia collector, and enjoyed deer hunting, farming, gardening, and spending time with family & friends.

Constance Bicknell October 20, 2017 – A former resident, she loved nature, walking the beach collecting sea glass, and traveling. She was an excellent cook and community volunteer.

A. Lawrence (Lawrie) Barr October 29, 2017 – Living in town for many years, he served on and chaired many town committees. He was a former teacher for many years, and a licensed real estate agent.

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Miller

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Silas Little, Chairman

The New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and the Francestown Zoning Ordinance give the Board of Adjustment the power to: (1) hear appeals from administrative decisions relating to the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance, (2) grant Special Exceptions under the Ordinance, (3) authorize Variances from the terms of the Ordinance, and (4) grant Equitable Waivers from compliance with the dimensional requirements of the Ordinance. In each case the power of the Board is strictly limited by the terms of the Statutes and the Ordinance. Persons wishing to bring a matter before the Board should examine the Ordinance before filing an application. Copies of the Ordinance, application forms and filing fees are available at the Town Offices and on the Town Website.

During 2017 the Board heard just one matter:

- Lakehouse Recovery and the impact of the United States Fair Housing Act on local use controls as pertain to drug rehabilitation services.

For a complete copy of notices of decision, including conditions, please contact the Board of Adjustment, Town Offices, Francestown, NH 03043. Meetings of the Board of Adjustment are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month, as required. All meetings are opened to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

Silas Little

Chairman, Francestown Board of Adjustment



**American
Red Cross**

New Hampshire and Vermont Region

New Hampshire Headquarters—2 Maitland Street, Concord, NH 03301—1-800-464-6692

Vermont Headquarters—29 Mansfield Ave, Burlington, VT 05401—1-800-660-9130

www.redcross.org/nhvt

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to helping local communities prepare for, respond to and recover from local disasters, most commonly home fires.

We also provide several other services which include supplying blood and blood products in the United States, emergency communication services for the Military Service Members and their families, training courses for emergency preparedness, as well as certification courses for Licenses Nurse Assistants, babysitting, and First Aid/CPR. These services, amongst the other services and campaigns outlined below, help thousands of residents each year, and would not be possible without the generosity of donors and hundreds of local volunteers working together 365 days a year, 24 hours a day.

We provide all of our service **free** with **no** support from federal or state governments. In order to be able to provide these services, the American Red Cross reached out to partners in the community like the **Town of Franconia** for funding. It is for this reason that the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont respectfully requests a donation of **\$300.00** for the upcoming fiscal year.

This past year, the American Red Cross of New Hampshire and Vermont provided the following services throughout the region:

- Red Cross disaster volunteers responded to **254** local disasters, helping over **1,139** people.
- We installed **2,200** smoke detectors in homes through our Home Fire Campaign.
- Taught lifesaving skills, including First Aid and CP, to **29,482** people in our various health and safety courses.
- We held **3,269** blood drives and collected **92,469** units of blood.
- We currently have over **1,100** volunteers throughout the two states that help to make these services happen.

As you know, a disaster or emergency can strike at any time without warning, and the American Red Cross is committed to being in the **Franconia** community to help your residents in

times of need. Your donation will go a long way in ensuring that your citizens receive the support they need when confronted by a disaster or emergency.

On behalf of the volunteers and staff throughout the two states, thank you for your consideration of this request to support the humanitarian work that we do. While we hope that no disasters hit your area, rest assured that the American Red Cross will be there to help if they do.

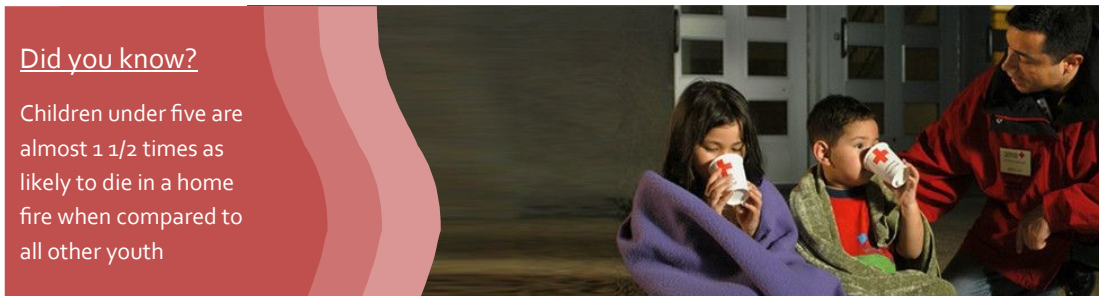
Sincerely,

Rachel Zillum

Regional Development Specialist

Did you know?

Children under five are almost 1 1/2 times as likely to die in a home fire when compared to all other youth





Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of New Hampshire strives to protect the rights of our state's most vulnerable children to live, learn and grow in the embrace of a loving family. Our trained Volunteer Advocates speak on behalf of the best interests of abused children who come to the attention of New Hampshire's family courts through no fault of their own.

As you many know, CASA of NH is the only nonprofit organization in the state to recruit, screen and train volunteers to advocated for victimized children. There is never and end-point to our mandate, but rather a steady stream of children in jeopardy, particularly and increased number who have come into the court system due to the tragic drug epidemic in our state. Parental substance abuse often has a negative impact on the physical and emotional well-being of children because home environments become chaotic and unpredictable, leading to child mistreatment. We, as a society, have a major interest in how child protection systems respond to children who are the victims of this dire epidemic as well as child abuse and neglect on the whole.

When children are thrust into the confusion of the court and foster care systems, our Volunteer Advocates ensure the child's interests are considered. They paint a clear picture of their needs so judges can make informed decisions for the child's future.

The children that we serve come from every corner of the state, and are part of your very community. The same holds true for our volunteers as is evidenced below.

	Hillsborough County:	Statewide:
Children served	455*	1,358
Volunteers	153	513
Miles Travelled	146,589	533,424
Hours of volunteer time	28,704	73,750
Value of volunteer advocacy provided		\$3.5M

**This number includes children who use your towns' schools and resources and line with foster parents or extended family members in your community. (July 1, 2019—June 30, 2017)*

CASA believes that when appropriate intervention happens at a critical time in an abused child's life, the cycle of violence can be broken and their life can take a path towards becoming healthy, productive adults contributing to our communities. For tat reason, we respectfully request your consideration for funding of \$500.00¹ in your next budget cycle.

Please know that your funding makes a huge impact in the life of an abused or neglected child. For additional information, please call 626-4600 or visit our website at casanh.org.

Sincerely,

Marcia R Sink, President and CEO

¹The Board of Selectmen have included \$300.00 in the 2018 operating budget.



Community Volunteer Transportation Company

—Transportation for Everyone—

Creating, coordinating and delivering transpor-

Greetings ~

CVTC has had a record-breaking year. The selfless work of our Volunteer Drivers was recognized by the NH Center for Nonprofits. They selected CVTC to receive the first-ever ***Healthy Community Impact Award*** during their annual Impact Celebration. We were cited as removing barriers to good health and supporting the independence and well-being of area residents, leveraging the efforts of our volunteers.

CVTC gives the gift of HOPE with every mile we drive! In 2017, 80 Volunteer Drivers logged-in 116,214 total miles (up 26% from 2016) for 286 riders in the 33 towns of the Monadnock region. Unmet need, when no driver selects a trip, is at 6.39% (a decrease of 5.92%). Our drivers are extraordinary! We currently have 70 active drivers and our goal is for 120 across the region.

Fracestown Statistics

- We received 56 ride requests from 6 Fracestown residents. 5 ride requests equated unmet need.
 - Volunteer Drivers logged 2,374 miles and donated 91 hours of service for a value of \$1,365 (at \$15/hour).
- 1 Volunteer Driver lives in Fracestown. Other Drivers helped residents get to their appointments.

Please consider supporting our good work with a donation of \$500.

Now entering our tenth year of service, CVTC continues as a strong thread in the safety-net of human services and advocates for community transportation options for the entire region.

On behalf of our riders and Volunteer Drivers, we are grateful for your consideration of our request. Town funding bears a great weight when applying for other funding opportunities. Please contact me if further information is needed at ellen@cvtc-nh.org or 821-4081.

Sincerely,
Ellen A Avery, Executive Director

PS We are always recruiting Volunteer Drivers to keep up with the demand. Help us spread the word!



For the past 12 years, Francestown residents have supported The Grapevine at town meeting by voting to raise and appropriate funds to help cover general operating expenses. We are writing to request funding in the 2018 Francestown Town Budget for The Grapevine in the amount of \$5,000, (\$4,000 for general Grapevine support and \$1,000 in support of Avenue A Teen Center) the same amount approved for the current year.

The Grapevine has been serving its community for over 20 years! I think you will agree that it is an established organization, and that many Francestown residents are connected to and benefit from The Grapevine in some way, whether through receiving help and helping others in the People's Service Exchange, getting firewood from the wood bank, participating in baby group, our parenting education classes or Avenue A Teen + Community Center. The Grapevine is a vital resource to the community.

With our diverse funding mix and strong local support, The Grapevine continues to offer quality programs and respond to the needs of our community. We are committed to creating a sustainable organizations, and have increased revenues from other sources in line with our strategic plan. Town funding is a critical piece of The Grapevine's local financial support. As further testament to our work and impact, we received funding from the Town of Hillsborough for the first time.

The Grapevine served 1,624 adults, youth and children from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Excluding the Teen Center, and Before and After School Clubs, which are not directly supported by the \$24,000 raised and appropriated by the towns,¹ The Grapevine served residents of these six towns as follows:

<u>Antrim</u>	<u>Bennington</u>	<u>Francestown</u>	<u>Hancock</u>	<u>Hillsborough</u>	<u>Deering*</u>
582	168	102	132	192	43

Our town funding requests for 2018 are as follows:

Antrim	\$ 7,000 (plus \$12,000 Avenue A request)
Hancock	5,000 (plus \$1,000 Avenue A request)
Bennington	4,000 (plus \$2,000 Avenue A request)
Francestown	4,000 (plus \$1,000 Avenue A request)
Hillsborough	4,000
<u>Deering</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	\$25,000

**For the first time, we will be requesting funding support from the Town of Deering.*

In addition, *36 teens and adults from Francestown participated in Avenue A Teen + Community Center programs and activities—this is up from 16 last year—a 60% increase!* We no receive funding for Avenue A from Antrim, Hancock, Bennington and Francestown.

Sincerely,

Melissa Gallagher
Executive Director

Molly Cook, Francestown
Board of Directors

¹ the Before and After School Clubs are funded entirely by program fees supplemented by employer donations.





In 2017, Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services (HCS) continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of Francestown. The following information represents HCS's activities in Francestown during the past twelve months.

Service Report

Services Offered	Services Provided
Nursing	399 Visits
Physical Therapy	355 Visits
Occupational Therapy	135 Visits
Medical Social Work	62 Visits
Home Health Aide	340Visits

Total Unduplicated Residents Served: 55

Hospice services and Healthy Starts prenatal and well child care are also available to residents. Town funding partially supports these services.

Financial Report

The actual cost of all services provided in 2017 with all funding sources is \$192,095.00.

These services have been supported to the greatest extend possible by Medicare, Medicaid, other insurances, grants and patient fees. Services that were not covered by other funding have been supported by you town.

For 2017, we request an appropriation of \$1,212.00 to continue to be available for home care services in Francestown.

For information about services, residents may call (603) 532-8353 or visit www.HCSservices.org, or drop in for consultation to Walk in Wednesday on the first Wednesday of every month between 3PM and 5PM at our office at 45 Main Street in Peterborough.

Thank you for you support of home care services.

Susan Ashworth, Director of Community Relations



ST. JOSEPH COMMUNITY SERVICES INC.
Meals On Wheels Community Dining Program

www.MealsOnWheelsnh.org

Dear Frankestown Residents:

For many years, the Town of Frankestown has supported our services. I write again to ask for your continuing support. St. Joseph Community Services has been providing vital services to the elderly and disabled adults of Hillsborough County for thirty-nine years. Providing nutrition and social engagement to this often isolated population helps support their choice to remain independent and age in place in their own homes within their communities. For many of our homebound clients, the driver may be the only person he or she will see that day.

Meals-on-Wheels is not an entitlement program. In other words, there is a limit to the amount of meals funded under our state contract. The funding that we receive from the cities and towns in our service area of Hillsborough County is essential to our ability to continue to meet the needs of everyone who asks for our help.

In addition, our program is funded by the state on a per meal basis. The money provided for each meal does not cover the full cost of a meal. It was never intended to. It is expected that agencies like St. Joseph Community Services would raise the remainder of the funds from the communities it serves.

Last year, we served three Frankestown residents. None of these residents were served under our Title XX program, which is sponsored by the County of Hillsborough. We are requesting funding of \$80 for each of the clients. **\$240.00 Requested Funding**

Thank you very much for your consideration and time. Please feel free to call me at 603-424-9967 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Meghan Brady

President



NH LAKE HOST PROGRAM

Pleasant Pond

To the residents of Francestown,

RE: 2017 Lake Host Summary and Request for 2018

2017 season we inspected 833 water crafts. This is a 20% increase (from 693 to 833) in the number of inspections from 2016 and 2015. The plan for 2018 is a 10% increase driven by 5% more hours coverage at the ramp and a \$.50 per hour pay increase for returning host.



Base on the last three years' actuals we would like to continue our expanded coverage at the ramp and would ask the town to continue their support of our lake host program with a \$3000.00 town warrant. The additional increase in payroll we plan on making up in donations from our already generous donors.

The Lake Host Program continues to have 2 major goals, first to inspect water craft entering or leaving a New Hampshire water body to ensure that they are clean and free of invasive plants (like milfoil) or animals and second, to educate and train people how to clean their water craft so they do not spread invasive plants or animals. Yes, we have added animal to what are looking for when we inspect each boat (like zebra mussels). Every year we get boats that were last



on a water body that does have milfoil or some other invasive plant/animal! Our program provided coverage at the ramp for 12 hours a day on weekends and holidays from Memorial Day through Labor Day, and 12 hours a day during the weeks from the end of June through July, plus the addition of Monday, Wednesday and Friday coverage in June and August. This program cost \$11,060.00. These funds were raised through a \$1700 grant from New Hampshire Lakes Association (NHLA), \$3000 from the Town of Francestown (thank you) and the remaining \$6400 in donations from friends of Pleasant Pond.

For 2018 due to our excellent support from the town and families that have camps on Pleasant Pond I would like to continue to expand our ramp coverage from holidays, weekends and weekday in the 6 busiest weeks of the summer to also include both Monday Wednesday afternoons and 10 hours on Friday for June and August (those days are already covered in July with our 7-day coverage. We will also work to raise a minimum of \$4000 from friends of Pleasant Pond. Along with the \$1700 we expect to get from the NH Lake Association and the carryover from 2017 that will give us the \$11,060.00 needed to cover 2018.

Harry Woodbury, Chair



Monadnock Family Services (MFS) continues to actively assist residents of Frankestown who are in need of quality mental health counseling and rehabilitation services. In addition to being the region's only emergency mental health crisis service, MFS offers a variety of innovative treatment programs for our community. Our Adult Outpatient services program provides mental health evaluation and treatment, as well as medication evaluation and monitoring, counseling

and specialized group services. Our Child, Adolescent & Family Services program is designed to support and promote good mental health in children and every member of the family. The Monadnock Substance Abuse Services program helps people develop new, healthier behaviors and make positive changes in their lives. Our broad array of services to residents of Frankestown might include Support for Service Members and Their Families, the Monadnock Volunteer Center, InSHAPE and supported Employment for Adults and Children, or the Monadnock Adult Care Center.

Your financial support of our work will benefit your friends and neighbors receiving help at MFS, and we hope that our partnership in caring for the residents of Frankestown will continue. Please know that we pursue many other sources of funding as well, such as Monadnock United Way, grants, foundations and local fundraising efforts conducted in concert with our Board of Directors. Each source, however, helps with only a portion of the total cost of care.

We thank you for your past financial support and ask for your continued allocation to help underwrite the cost of services we provide to the uninsured and underinsured individuals in your community. In FY 2017, MFS provided over \$5,116.00 in discounts to the consumers in Frankestown. We expect that an additional \$5,635.00 will likely be written off as uncollectible. To help close this gap, we are asking for the equivalent of \$1.25 for each resident of Frankestown which, based on the 2010 US Census, amounts to \$1,953.00. If you have questions, or require additional information to support your decision, please contact me at 603-283-1568 or mdelisle@mfs.org.

Your support is very important to us. By working together, we help to insure our communities remain healthy and vital places to live, work, and grow. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mary Delisle

Director of Development

64 Main Street—Suite 201, Keene, NH 03431

603-357-4400—www.mfs.org



VITAL STATISTICS

2017 Births, Marriages and Deaths

Resident Birth Report			
Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Partner's Name
Mafera, Skylar Grace	4/11/2017	Peterborough, NH	Mafera, Jason
St. John, Carter Robert	5/8/2017	Peterborough, NH	St. John, Patrick
Troy, Margaret Louise	7/7/2017	Concord, NH	Troy, Patrick
Sordillo, Emmett Matthew	11/3/2017	Peterborough, NH	Sordillo, Matthew
Mangold, Ophelia Lael	11/13/2017	Peterborough, NH	Thomas, Matthew
Robinson, Charlotte Rose	12/7/2017	Nashua, NH	Robinson Jr., Kenneth
Mother's Name			
Mafera, Laura			
Adams, Allison			
Troy, Maureen			
Sordillo, Sarah			
Mangold, Rebecca			
Robinson, Ashley			
Resident Marriage Report			
Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage
Ackerman Jr., Thomas E Fracestown, NH	Guerin, Noelle B Fracestown, NH	Fracestown	Hudson
Roberts Jr., Richard D Fracestown, NH	Chase, Elizabeth A Bennington, NH	Fracestown	Fracestown
Date of Marriage			
8/19/2017			
9/23/2017			
Resident Death Report			
Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name
Hyman, Victor*	1/11/2017	Merrimack	Hyman, Harry
Ponton, Warren*	2/15/2017	Manchester	Ponton, Frank
Jones, Elizabeth	2/16/2017	Milford	Gilley, Carl
Gilley, Wilma	6/16/2017	Fracestown	Saak, Leonard
Clark, Stuart*	7/4/2017	Fracestown	Clark, Carrol
Cope, Harriet	8/1/2017	Fracestown	Thomas, Harry
Abbott, Catherine	8/14/2017	Goffstown	Tebich, John
Barr, Arthur*	10/29/2017	Fracestown	Barr, George
Mother's/Parent's Name			
Prior to			
First Marriage/Civil Union			
Miller, Lillie			
Cardin, Laura			
Bailey, Mary			
Gersdorf, Emma			
Prescott, Marion			
Medlar, Ruth			
Szcsygiot, Stanislaa			
Palmer, Jane			

*indicates military service

PLEASE NOTE: Some records are intentionally left off the Town Clerk's Vital Statistics Report as they were not made public through the State of NH Vital Records reporting for this purpose.

2017 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

To the inhabitants of the Town of Frankestown in the County of Hillsborough in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You were notified to meet at the Town Offices, 27 Main Street, in the Town of Frankestown on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. to act upon the following subjects. The voting on Articles 1 and 2 were by official ballot, and the polls were open for balloting on said date at 10:00 a.m. and did not close before 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Total Votes for Town Ballot

Regular Votes = 367

Absentee Votes = 44

Selectman for Three Years	Abigail Arnold	272*
	Dennis Orsi	137
Moderator for Two Years	Paul Lawrence	384*
Treasurer for Three Years	Molly Cook	362*
Planning Board for Three Years	Betsy Hardwick	259*
	Sarah Hibbard Pyle	241*
	Lisa Bourbeau	146
	Prescott Tolman	139
Fire Ward for One Year	Brian Delahanty	375*
	David Hanlon	372*
	Lawrence Kullgren	368*
	Celeste Lunetta	368*
	David Kullgren	363*
Trustee of Trust Fund for Two Years	Kevin Pobst	363*
Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years	Jo-Ann miller	369*
Library Trustee for Three Years	Robin Haubrich	379*
Cemetery Commission for Three Years	Ruth Behrsing	375*
Public Assistance Admin. For One Year	Thomas Anderson	218*
	Terri Morgan	163*

Total Votes for School Ballot

Regular Votes = 367

Absentee Votes = 43

School Board Member for Three Years	Stephan Morrissey	350*
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Total Number of Voters on the checklist at end of Election Day = 1173

ARTICLE 2:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Francestown zoning ordinance as follows: bring the ordinance into conformity with state law changes relative to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)?

This proposal would: a) establish a larger maximum size, allow more occupants in an ADU and add a reference for Parking Spaces in Article III General Provisions Section 3.11 Accessory Dwelling Units; and b) allow ADUs as a permitted use, provided certain performance standards are met, instead of use by special exception, and c) modify definitions related to such change. The Planning Board voted unanimously in favor of this article.

Article 2 Passes/Carried:

YES = 312

NO = 53

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you were notified that the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown was held at the Francestown Elementary School on Saturday, March 18, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., at which time the Town acted on the following subjects:

Meeting Called to order at 10:02am with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Tom Anderson followed by the reading of the Resolutions:

RESOLUTION: Whereas the Town of Francestown has been served by many great persons over the years;

Be it resolved that the citizens of Francestown extend a sincere vote of thanks to:

Donna Barbalato – Trustee of Trust Funds for 4 years

Susan Downs-Cripps – Public Assistance Administrator for 1 year

Kim Dalley – Treasurer for 3 years

Elizabeth Wiederhold – Cemetery Trustee for 15 years

Prescott “Guy” Tolman – Planning Board for 6 years

Lisa Bourbeau – Planning Board for 5 years

Marti Callahan – Administrative Assistant for 2 years

Henry Kunhardt – Trustee of Trust Funds for 11 years &

Budget & Advisory Committee for 9 years

Al VanCleave – Fire Department for 44 years

ARTICLE 3:

Motion made by Ed Gagnon to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$1,717,070) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Motion seconded by Abigail Arnold.

Article 3 Carried

ARTICLE 4:

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate SIX HUNDRED TWENTY NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$629,900) to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds in the following manner:

\$100,000	Future Repair and Replacement of Bridges
\$7,500	Future Replacement of Fire Equipment
\$100,000	Future Replacement of Fire Trucks
\$100,000	Future Replacement and Purchase of Highway Equipment
\$15,000	Future Replacement of Police Vehicles
\$15,000	Future Revaluation of Real Estate
\$120,000	Future Town Facilities Improvements
\$2,400	Future Cemetery Improvements
\$170,000	Future Town Road Improvements

And authorize the withdrawal of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$182,400) from the unassigned fund balance and the balance of FOUR HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$447,500) to be raised by general taxation.

Motion seconded by Brad Howell

Article 4 Carried

ARTICLE 5:

Motion made by Henry Kunhardt to see if the Town will vote to establish a Legal and Public Assistance Expendable Trust Fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of supporting unanticipated expenses related to legal expenses or to provide unanticipated financial public assistance (welfare), and to raise and appropriate TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) to put in the fund with this amount to come from the unassigned fund balance. Further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund.

Motion seconded by Brad Howell

After much deliberation a motion was made by Paul St. Cyr to move the question.

Motion seconded by Becky Moul.

Motion to move the question Carried

Article 5 as originally presented Carried

Motion made by Elizabeth Hunter Lavallee to Restrict Reconsideration of Article 5.

Motion seconded by Stewart Brock.

Motion to Restrict Reconsideration of Article 5 Carried.

ARTICLE 6:

Motion made by Brad Howell to see if the Town will vote raise and appropriate TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,400) to be added to the General Cemetery Maintenance Trust, an Expendable Trust Fund (said amount representing fifty percent (50%) of revenues received from the sale of cemetery lots in the 2016 fiscal year), said funds to come from unassigned fund balance.

Motion seconded by Jan Hicks

Article 6 Carried

ARTICLE 7:

Motion made by Henry Kunhardt to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) for Police Station facility improvements, said funds to come from the Town Facilities Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion seconded by Abigail Arnold

After much deliberation a motion was made by Paul St. Cyr to move the question

Motion seconded by Steve Griffin

Motion to move the question Carried

Article 7 as originally presented Carried

ARTICLE 8:

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) to be added to the Master Plan Expendable Trust Fund, said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.

Motion seconded by Jan Hicks

Article 8 Carried

ARTICLE 9:

Motion made by Ed Gagnon to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000) for the rehabilitation of the Town Hall. Such sum to be raised from the withdrawal of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) from unassigned fund balance; and the acceptance of up to SIX HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$625,000) in grants and donations held for that purpose in the Francestown Heritage Fund, along with grants and donations from other organizations and generous benefactors.

Motion seconded by BJ Carbee

Article 9 Carried

ARTICLE 10:

Motion made by Brad Howell to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000) for the purpose of preconstruction and other activities related to the Town Hall Rehabilitation, said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. This article to be tabled if Article 9 passes.

Motion seconded by Leila Wilder

Based on the passing/carrying of Article 9 a motion was made by Henry Kunhardt to Table Article 10

Motion seconded by Brad Howell

Motion to Table Article 10 Carried

ARTICLE 11:

Motion made by Henry Kunhardt to see if the Town will vote to repurpose and rename the Future Replacement of Fire Trucks Capital Reserve Fund to the Future Replacement of Fire and Rescue Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion seconded by Abigail Arnold

Article 11 Carried by 2/3 vote

YES = 128 NO = 0

ARTICLE 12:

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000) to purchase replacement Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units and components. Such sum to be raised by the acceptance of a donation of up to TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) from the Mt. Crotchet Firefighters' Association and the balance of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000) to be withdrawn from the Future Replacement of Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion seconded by Ed Gagnon

Article 12 Carried

ARTICLE 13:

Motion made by Brad Howell to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$3,200) to purchase a mobile radar speed detection unit, said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.

Motion seconded by Henry Kunhardt

After short deliberation a motion was made by Tom Anderson to move the question

Motion seconded by Brad Howell

Motion to move the question carried

Article 13 as originally presented Carried

ARTICLE 14:

Motion made by Ed Gagnon to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND (\$170,000) to perform necessary engineering, preconstruction and reconstruction activities for that portion of Bible Hill Road northerly from its intersection with the New Boston Road, said funds to come from the Future Town Road improvements Capital Reserve Fund. This is a special non-lapsing appropriation pursuant to RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or until December 31, 2018, whichever is sooner.

Motion seconded by Brad Howell

Article 14 Carried

ARTICLE 15:

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$175,000) to purchase a dump/plow truck, said funds to come from the Future Replacement of Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion seconded by Henry Kunhardt

Article 15 Carried

ARTICLE 16:

Motion made by Brad Howell to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED ELEVEN DOLLARS (\$24,611) for the treatment of invasive milfoil in Scoby Pond to be raised by the acceptance of a grant in the amount of SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE DOLLARS (\$7,383) and the balance of SEVENTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS (\$17,228) to be raised by general taxation.

Motion seconded by Abigail Arnold

Article 16 Carried

ARTICLE 17:

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000) for milfoil prevention efforts at Pleasant Pond by contributing to the funding of boat monitors, said funds to be raised by general taxation.

Motion seconded by Brad Howell

Article 17 Carried

ARTICLE 18:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

Tom Anderson requested public recognition of Susan Downs-Cripps for her year of service as Public Assistance Administrator. So recognized.

Meeting adjourned per Moderator, Paul Lawrence at 12:59pm

Pamela Finnell, Town Clerk

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