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# ANNUAL REPORT

## Town of Ashland, N.H.



Ashland Fire Department

1976

# Dates To Remember

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January 1	Fiscal year begins
January 21	1st day for Candidates to declare
February 21	Last day for Candidates to declare
February 15	Hearing - Supervisors of Checklist 7-9 p.m.
February 26	Hearing - Supervisors of Checklist 2-4 p.m.
March 7	ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING
March 8	ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 8	Election of School and Town Officials
April 1	All property, both real and personal, assessed to owner this date.
April 15	Last day to file inventory to be eligible to make claim to abatement RSA 77:14
April 15	Last day for Veterans to pay in full real & personal taxes to be eligible for exemption.
April 15	Last day for qualified persons over 68 to apply for Elderly Property Tax Exemption.
December 1	Unpaid real & personal taxes commence to draw interest at 9 percent.
December 31	Fiscal year closes.

Pleasure vehicles go on a staggered system renewable on birthday. For more information check with Town Clerk.

SELECTMEN'S MEETING: Monday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Room at the Town Office Building, Highland Street.

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING: Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Office, Highland Street.

SUPERVISOR'S MEETING: held at the Selectmen's Room at the Town Office Building, Highland Street.

**Annual Report of the Officers**

**of the**

**TOWN OF ASHLAND**

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31

**1976**

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# DEDICATED TO



## **PAULINE COX PACKARD**

**1922 - 1976**

**For 54 years Service to the Town of Ashland**

**Mrs. Packard came to Ashland in 1922, after marrying Luther W. Packard.**

**She was a dedicated woman who believed in Ashland.**

**For all those years, she worked for the improvement of our town and service to all its people.**





# In Memorium



**Guy L. Leavitt, Sr.**  
1906 - 1976

The Town of Ashland lost a public spirited and capable citizen this year.

Guy Leavitt, Sr. had made his home in Ashland since 1930. He was a self-employed electrical contractor, and for years, served as a substitute carrier at the Ashland Post Office.

During the years, he served the town in many capacities. He was serving as Utilities Commissioner at the time of his death. He was most efficient in this position, and at the same time, had a good rapport with the town workers. He also was Assistance Moderator and Ballot Clerk.

It was through his direct effort that the first original Chamber of Commerce was established in Ashland. With his leadership and financial backing, a group of Boy Scouts and he created the first Christmas Lights that the Town of Ashland had.

Mr. Leavitt was a member of the Auxiliary Police for many years, and was one of the original members when this group was first organized.

His death has created a great void in the community itself. He will be missed by all.

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## In Memorium



**Dr. George Hoyt Whipple**  
1878 - 1976

Ashland lost one of its most famous natives in the death of Dr. George H. Whipple.

He was a teacher and medical pioneer in research. It earned him innumerable awards, including the 1934 Nobel Prize for medicine.

His successor as Dean of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry at Dr. Whipple's retirement said "It is impossible to overevaluate the stature of Dr. Whipple's leadership. A great teacher, a brilliant scientist and an administrator of extraordinary wisdom and ability ..."

The town was fortunate to receive from Dr. Whipple his birthplace known as "The Whipple House"; generously donated to the Ashland Historical Society and gratefully accepted by the Town.

# Selectmen's Report

## 1976

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**To the Citizens of Ashland:**

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 1976.

We feel that it has been a very successful year with many improvements. The Construction of our new Fire Station is well under way. We feel that we have an excellent Station now, with room for future expansion. The Firemen razed the old building and have put in many hours on the new station.

Activities were planned all during the year to celebrate the Nation's 200th Birthday. The parade and fireworks on the 4th of July drew large crowds .... A Muster was held at the playgrounds symbolic of the Minutemen of 200 years ago ... Another one of the Bicentennial Committee's projects was the beautification of the Town Office parking lot.

Several new businesses were opened on Main Street during 1976.

A new large wholesale storage building was erected on North Main Street.

The golf course on Calley Road is nearly completed, and will open in 1977.

Application was made for a new Town Municipal Service Building through the Public Works Employment Act of 1976. To date this is still pending.

The Tri-County Program for the Unemployed ended in June, 1976, but we were fortunate to utilize their Youth Summer Program.

The Highway Department oiled several streets, and used TRA funds on Owl Brook Road.

During 1976 the Selectmen had the Town lines preambulated, as required by law every seven years. Charlie Flanders walked the lines for us, doing his usual efficient job. A percentage of the cost was contributed

by the Town of Holderness for their portion of the lines. With the co-operation of the Highway Department, a marker that was found down was reset.

We wish to thank everyone who helped us during the past year in our efforts to make Ashland a better Town for all of us to live in.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD N. DOGGETT  
HAROLD V. BUCKMAN  
ERNEST J. PAQUETTE  
Selectmen

# Town Officials and Boards

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	Term Expires
<b>Selectmen:</b>	
Ernest J. Paquette	1977
Harold V. Buckman	1978
Edward N. Doggett	1979
<b>Moderator:</b>	
Glenn Bricker	1978
<b>Town Clerk:</b>	
Marion K. Merrill	1977
Assistant: Marjorie Davie (Appointed March 1976)	1977
<b>Town Treasurer:</b>	
Thomas W. Heinz	(resigned 8-7-76) (Joyce Bavis appointed) (Joyce Bavis resigned 8-24-76) Beverly LaBrique appointed 8-24-76. 1977
<b>Town Trustees:</b>	
Leonard Duguay	1977
Richard Ogden (to fill vacancy)	1977
Dr. John Reeve	1979
<b>Library Trustees:</b>	
Anita Gray	1977
Lorraine Marsh	1978
Grace Marcroft	1979
<b>Budget Committee:</b>	
Carlton Abear	1977
Patricia Heinz	1977
Daniel Preece	1977
Jeanette Stewart	1977
Ruth Morrison	1978
Albert Blake	1978
Kenneth Forbes	1978
Marylouise Hughes (resigned) Travis Bradley Appt'd. Oct. 4, 1976	1977

J. Carlton Beard	1979
Thomas W. Heinz (resigned) (Edward Brown Appt'd. Oct. 4, 1976)	1977
Christopher Luff	1979
Ann Marie Reeve	1979

**Utility Commission:**

Lawson W. Glidden, Jr.	1977
Thomas W. Glidden	1978
Guy L. Leavitt (deceased) (Lothrop Forbush Appt'd. 6-9-76)	1977

**Fire Wards:**

Albert P. Blake	1977
Raymond Burke, Sr.	1977
John C. Hughes	1977

**Supervisors of Checklist:**

Louise A. Brock	1982
Brice Buckman	1978
Joan Doggett	1980

**Overseer of Welfare:**

Nancy B. Straw	1977
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**Police Chief:**

Ernest A. Paquette	1977
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**Highway Agent:**

Willis Holland	1977
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**Tax Collector:**

Arlene L. Mills	1977
Deputy Tax Collector: Joyce M. Bavis (resigned 8-2-76) Re-appointed 8-24-76	1977

**APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

<b>Fire Chief</b>	Norman Lyford
<b>Assistant Fire Chief</b>	Wayne L. Hughes
<b>Supt. Electric Dept.</b>	Thomas E. Marsh
<b>Supt. Water &amp; Sanitary</b>	Wayne L. Hughes
<b>Health Officer</b>	Ernest J. Paquette

**Planning Board:**

James Rollins	1977
Royce Wilder (deceased)	Richard Folsom
	appt'd. 9-13-76 to fill out term
	1978
John Smith (resigned)	Clayton J. Schenk
	appt'd. 4-12-76 to fill out term
	1979
Nancy Kydd	1980
Roy McNeil	1981
John Hughes	1981
E. N. Doggett (Selectman Ex-Officio)	1977

**Recreation Committee:**

Grace Crowley	1977
Harold Asa Proulx	1977
James Rollins	1978
Bruce Leonard	1979
Charlotte Brook	1979

**Scribner Memorial Trustees:**

Howard J. Guyotte (resigned)	Christopher Luff
	Appt'd. 11-8-76 to March 1977.
	1977
Robert Zock	1978

**Ashland Historical Committee:**

Ruth Russell	1977
Mary Ruell	1977
Russell Yeaton	1978
John R. Smith	1979
E. J. Paquette (Selectman Ex-Officio)	1977

**Pemi-Baker Home Health:**

Louise A. Brock

**Civil Defense Director:**

Ernest B. Holt

**Building Inspector:**

Roy McNeil (appointed 3-5-76)

**Lakes Region Planning Commission:**

John Hughes 1980



Nancy Kydd  
E. J. Paquette (Selectman Ex-Officio)  
Roy McNeil - 1st Alternate  
Richard Folsom - 2nd Alternate

1980

**ASHLAND BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

David Ruell - Chairman	James Rollins - Vice Chairman
John Smith - Treasurer	Barbara Cumming - Secretary
Nancy Dalley	Ivan Bass
Frances M. Platt	Marion K. Merrill
John Hughes	Guy Magoon
Joy Bricker	Susan Edy
Doris Tatham	Joan MacDonald
Fred White	Noreen Crawford

Doris Burroughs (resigned)

# Record of Annual Town Meeting

March 2, 1976

There were 857 town ballots received and counted by the ballot clerks and 482 cast in this election.

AT 9:00 A.M. the meeting was called to order by Guy Leavitt, Assistant Moderator. The motion was made, seconded and so voted that the polls remain open until 6:00 P.M. and that the reading of the warrant be waived until after the polls had been closed.

At 7:00 P.M. the meeting was called to order. The motion was made, seconded and so voted to omit the preliminary reading of the warrant but to read each article as we are ready to act on it.

ARTICLE I. To choose all necessary officers for the year ensuing.

The results were as follows:

Selectman for three years (Vote for One)			Town Trustee for three years (Vote for one)		
Edward N. Doggett	232	Elected	John Reeve		
Frederick F. White	223		(write-in)	32	Elected
Blanks and write-ins	27				
			Fire Wards for one year (Vote for Three)		
Treasurer for one year (Vote for One)			Albert P. Blake	417	Elected
Thomas W. Heinz	447		Raymond F. Burke	441	Elected
			John C. Hughes	394	Elected
Town Clerk for one year (Vote for One)			Tax Collector for one year (Vote for One)		
Marion K. Merrill	447		Arlene L. Mills	444	Elected
Budget Committee for three years (Vote for Four)			Utility Commissioner for three years (Vote for One)		
J. Carlton Beard	212	Elected	Guy L. Leavitt Sr.	437	Elected
Travis F. Bradley	97		Overseer of Public Welfare for one year (Vote for One)		
Edward A. Brown	192		Nancy B. Straw	397	Elected
Thomas W. Heinz	341	Elected	Chief of Police for one year (Vote for one)		
John C. Hughes	121		Ernest A. Paquette	248	Elected
Christopher S. Luff	319	Elected	Guy Magoon		
Ann Marie Reeve	235	Elected	(write-in)	210	
Library Trustee for three years (Vote for One)			Road Agent for one year (Vote for One)		
Grace E. Marcroft	469	Elected	Walter J. Boynton	127	
Library Trustee for one year (Vote for One)			Willis H. Holland	325	Elected
Anita S. Gray	448	Elected			

On March 12th, at the Town Office, at the request of Frederick F. White, the ballots for Selectman were recounted by the Moderator, Town Clerk and Selectman Ernest J. Paquette and Selectman Harold V. Buckman with no change in the official tally.

ARTICLE II. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

The motion was made, seconded and so voted to pass this article until we had acted on all remaining articles.

Following Article XXIII, we returned to Article II for action.

It was moved, seconded and so voted to raise the amount of \$1,119,817.91 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations of the same.

ARTICLE III. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee and pass any vote in relation thereto.

The motion was made, seconded and so voted to pass Article III until after Article II had been disposed of.

No action was required on this article due to the results of Article II.

ARTICLE IV. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$399.83 for Town Road Aid. (State to contribute \$2,665.55) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE V. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provision of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for use as set-offs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes and in amounts indicated or take any other action thereon.

Police Department	\$6,966.67
Fire Department	6,966.67
Highway Department	6,966.66

(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Disaster Assistance Funds through the State Disaster Coordinating Office, and to expend the funds so received to repair the damage to town roads and or bridges caused by flooding.

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE VII. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to extend the town sewer main from the corner of River-Highland Streets through and inclusive to the former Odd Fellows Block, a distance of 290 feet on North Main Street and to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$12,000.00 for said project. (Petitioned by 10 or more legal voters.) (Without recommendation of Budget Committee)

The question was moved and seconded.

Following a discussion, Mr. Doggett advised that the sewer regulations forbid such construction unless paid for by those benefiting and quoted RSA Chapter 52. It was voted to dismiss the article.

ARTICLE VIII. To see if the Town will authorize: The building and equipping of a new fire station at a total cost of \$150,000.00; the razing of the present fire station, with any net proceeds from the razing to be applied to the cost of the new station; the borrowing by the selectmen by notes to be repaid over a period of not more than three years, of a sum not to exceed \$50,000.00 to be applied to the cost of the new station; and the application to the cost of the new station of funds drawn from the capital reserve fund and funds received by gift.  
(Recommended by Budget Committee.)

The article was moved and seconded, followed by a description of the proposed fire station and discussion. An amendment was proposed by Frank Murdock to strike the words "with any net proceeds from the razing to be applied to the cost of the new station." The amendment was defeated and there followed a request to move the question, which was unanimously passed as written.

ARTICLE IX. (If the preceding item shall not be adopted) To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to withdraw \$1,000.00 from the capital reserve fund to pay for the plans of the new fire station.  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

No action was taken on Article IX due to the passage of Article VIII.

ARTICLE X. To see if the Town wishes to exclude from the Social Security plan, service in any class or classes of positions of election officials or election workers for a calendar quarter in which the remuneration paid for each service is less than \$50.00.  
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XI. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law:

The Board of Firewards shall consist of three members, each to be elected by the town at the annual meeting and to serve for a period of three years, except that at the annual meeting in 1977, one member shall be elected to a term of one year, one member shall be elected for a term of two years and one member shall be elected for a term of three years. A vacancy in the board may be filled by the remaining members until the next annual meeting of the town, as is provided in the cases of selectmen. Terms of members shall expire as is provided by law for selectmen. This by-law shall take effect immediately following the adjournment of the annual meeting in 1976.

(Petitioned by 10 or more legal voters)  
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XII. To see if the Town will vote to assume the responsibility to furnish lights and water at the Memorial Park for the summer months, for the sum of \$175.00.  
(Without recommendation of Budget Committee)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the care of old cemeteries, pursuant to N.H. RSA 289; 5-6.  
(Recommended by Budget Committee.)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XIV. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a net lease of \$1.00 with the Ashland Historical Society, Inc. for the purpose of maintaining said premises and making improvements thereon; and in connection therewith to sublease and collect such rents, said moneys to be used to further maintain and improve said property known as the Whipple House. To be effective for fiscal year of 1976 and thereafter until rescinded by a vote of the town.  
(Petitioned by 10 or more legal voters.)

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XV. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a mutual agreement with the Town of Waterville Valley, to use the Sanitary Landfill Dump for a yearly fee to be determined by the Selectmen, pursuant to N. H. RSA 53-A:3.

Moved, seconded and it was voted to amend as follows: To see if the Town of Ashland will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a mutual agreement with the Town of Waterville Valley to use the Sanitary Landfill dump for a yearly fee of not less than \$7500.00 per year. In addition, in the event Waterville Valley should haul into the Sanitary Landfill Dump an amount over 425 ton per year, there would be an additional charge of \$1.00 per ton thereafter. This agreement will run for a period of three years from the date of acceptance. The waste is to be strictly limited to household refuse.

The article was adopted as amended.

ARTICLE XVI. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public Town Road a certain right of way 50' in width and running from a distance of 401.5 feet southwesterly from Route 3 to the premises presently occupied by Plymouth Lingerie, Inc., upon conveyance of said right of way to the Town by R.I.C., Inc.  
(Without recommendation of Budget Committee)  
(Petitioned by 10 or more legal voters.)

It was stated that the road does not meet with town requirements and it was moved, seconded and so voted to dismiss the article.

ARTICLE XVII. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to adopt the proposed Building Regulations; pursuant to N. H. RSA 156; 1.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS - BUILDING REGULATIONS

### Town of Ashland, N. H.

#### Article 1. APPOINTMENT

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to appoint an Administrative Officer to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance. The person appointed shall be known as the "Building Inspector." The Building Inspector shall receive applications and fees for the erection or alteration of buildings as provided in this Ordinance; keep complete records of all applications and his action on the applications; promptly survey and inspect all buildings, alterations, or uses proposed; accept and



deposit with the Town all fees collected by him under this Ordinance; issue permits for erection, or alteration of all buildings, and the use of land if, in his opinion, the proposal complies with the laws of the State, this Ordinance, other Town Ordinances and By-Laws; and shall take such action in the enforcement of this Ordinance as may be directed by the Selectmen.

## Article 2. DUTIES OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

The Building Inspector shall be the Administrative Officer of this Ordinance. He shall:

1. Receive applications and fees for the erection and-or alteration of buildings.
2. Make available applications in duplicate.
3. Keep complete records of his action on all applications, along with the duplicates of said applications.
4. Issue or deny permits within a maximum period of 14 days of receipt of application.
5. Regularly inspect buildings during the process of erection or alteration.
6. Bring to the attention of the Board of Selectmen any violations of this Ordinance, and take such action in the enforcement of this Ordinance, as may be directed by the Selectmen.
7. Accept and deposit with the Town all fees collected by him under this Ordinance.
8. Act in cooperation with fire authorities in any matter in which their duties as prescribed by law may coincide or conflict.
9. If a subdivision of land is involved, the Ashland Planning Board must approve a developer's plan before a building permit may be issued.

## Article 3. DUTIES OF APPLICANT

1. Any person, persons, partnership, trust or corporation, intending to construct or erect a new building or to make structural alterations of an estimated cost of more than \$600.00, shall first make application for a permit on forms obtained from the Building Inspector.
  - a. Said application shall be accompanied by a drawing or plan for any proposed building or alterations.
  - b. Said application shall be accompanied by a signed statement of the intended use of the building upon completion of construction or alteration.
2. The applicant shall display prominently, at the site of the construction or alteration, a card issued by the Building Inspector evidencing his permit.
3. The applicant shall make the premises accessible to the Building Inspector, at reasonable times, for the performance of his duties.

## Article 4. APPLICATION FEES

A fee of \$5.00 shall accompany each application for a permit. In addition, there shall be a 50c charge for each \$1,000.00 of estimated con-

struction cost. All fees are returnable to the Building Inspector and shall constitute payment in full for his services.

#### Article 5. ISSUANCE OF PERMITS

A building permit shall become invalid unless operations are commenced within six (6) months from date of issuance. The owner or his representative of any building or structure for which a building permit is granted shall, upon completion of the work authorized, notify the Building Inspector. The inspector shall inspect the building or structure within 48 hours. If said work has been completed, including any grading or features necessary for health and safety of occupancy, the Inspector shall issue a notice to the owner, specifying that the building may be occupied for the purpose stated in the permit.

Article 6. No building or structure shall be erected, altered, rebuilt, remodeled, or substantially repaired, unless in compliance with the following requirements:

1. **Commercial and Industrial Building** - No building intended or designed to be used for Commercial, Industrial, or other public use, shall be erected, altered or used for any purpose which does not provide non-combustible walls and partitions between its component parts.
2. **Exits** - No building intended or designed for any public use or congregation of people shall be erected, altered, or used for any purpose which does not provide adequate exits, as described in Chapter 155:8a, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, and in accord with regulations of the New Hampshire Fire Marshal's Office.
3. **Fire Stops** - No building of wood or other combustible material shall be erected, remodeled, or enlarged, without providing fire-stops in every combustible wall or partition on every floor and between floor joists at every partition.
4. **Chimneys** - Shall be constructed of stone, brick, or concrete, to the ground footing, and no chimney shall have its base resting upon any floor or beam of combustible material. No chimney shall be built, erected, or altered below the roof unless containing a tile, cinder block or brick lining and with an iron clean-out door at or near its base, and shall extend at least three feet above the roof. No chimney shall be built, erected, or altered below the roof having wood or other combustible materials within one inch of the chimney.
5. **Thimbles** - No wallpaper or other combustible material shall be laid over any thimble or thimble hold in any chimney.
6. **Smoke Pipes** - No smoke pipes shall be installed or erected so as to be within twelve inches of any combustible floor or ceiling, unless amply protected with non-combustible material. No smoke pipe shall be installed or erected which passes into or through partitions or walls of combustible material, except when guarded by a double collar of metal with air space of at least five inches of brick or other non-combustible material between the pipe and the combustible material.

7. **Wiring** - All electrical wiring installed in any new buildings, or installed or extended during any alterations or remodeling of any building, shall conform to and comply with the regulations and amendments to regulations of the National Electric Code.

8. **Foundations** - All structures shall be set on solid wall type foundations of concrete, brick, stone, or other acceptable masonry except that in special cases where buildings are to be used for accessory use, or camps, the Building Inspector may waive the requirements of this section and permit the use of wood, metal or masonry piers.

9. **Minimum Building Area** - Every dwelling unit to be used by a single family shall have a minimum ground floor area of 700 square feet, excluding garage, decks and porches.

10. **Outside Walls** - Shall be constructed of material commonly used for outside construction, with the exception of tar paper, and materials customarily painted shall be painted.

11. **Sewage Disposal** - All dwellings and all commercial, industrial or public buildings, shall be connected to the public sewer system, when available. When the public sewer system is not available, a suitable sewage disposal system, consisting of septic tank and drainage field, shall be provided. The type, size and construction of all septic tanks and drainage fields, shall be approved by the Superintendent of the Water and Sanitary Department and conform to New Hampshire State Laws and Regulations.

12. **Completion of Buildings** - All buildings, new or additions shall be completed, as to outside appearance, within eighteen months from date of issuance of permit. In case of hardship, as determined by the Board of Selectmen, a six month extension may be granted for completion of the building.

13. **Flood Prone Area** - The Building Inspector shall review all building permit applications for new construction or substantial improvements to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is in a location that has a flood hazard, any proposed new construction or substantial improvement (including prefabricated and mobile homes) must

a. be designed (or modified and anchored) to prevent floatation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure.

b. use construction materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage.

c. use construction methods and practices that will minimize flood damage.

#### Article 7. EXCEPTIONS

The construction of small necessary buildings of an estimated cost of not more than \$600.00 not used for living purposes, together with minor alterations, repairs and general upkeep of existing buildings shall be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance.

#### Article 8. AMENDMENT

This Ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any legal town



meeting when such amendment is published in the warrant calling for the meeting.

#### Article 9. ENFORCEMENT

Upon any well-founded information that this Ordinance is being violated, the Selectmen shall take immediate steps to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance by seeking an injunction in the Superior Court or by any other appropriate legal action. Whoever violates any of the above regulations shall be punished upon conviction by a fine not exceeding \$10.00 for each day of each violation, plus all legal costs in connection with settling the issue.

#### Article 10. TAKES EFFECT

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

#### Article 11. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS

Wherever the regulations made under the authority hereof differ from those described by any statute, ordinance, or other regulations, that provision which imposes the greater restriction or the higher standard shall govern.

#### Article 12. VALIDITY

If any section, clause, provision, portion, or phase of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent authority such holding shall not effect, impair or invalidate any other section, clause, provision, portion, or phase of this Ordinance.

Adopted April 4, 1956  
Amended April 22, 1970

The Moderator explained that the intent of the article is to vote on proposed amendments to the existing building code as follows:

Building Regulations - Article 3 - Proposed to change the estimated cost of alterations needing a permit from \$400.00 to \$600.00. So Voted.

#### Article 4.

Proposed to change the method of payment. Moved, seconded and so voted to amend article as read.

#### Article 5. — Section 4

Proposed to amend the first sentence to make an addition and read as follows: "Chimneys - Shall be constructed of stone, brick, or concrete or prefabrication unit approved by the fire underwriters. So voted.

#### Article 5. — Section 9

Proposed to change the minimum building area from 400 square feet to 700 square feet. It was voted to amend the proposal from 700 square feet to 500 square feet. So voted.

It was voted to accept the Building Regulations in its entirety as

amended.

ARTICLE XVIII To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint the Chief of Police who under the direction of the Selectmen, shall have charge of the Police Department, said appointment to become effective March 3, 1977, pursuant to N. H. RSA 41:47.

Moved, seconded and secret ballot requested.

Results: Yes - 92 — No - 101

ARTICLE XIX. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint the Highway Agent who, under the direction of the Selectmen, shall have charge of the construction of all town highways and bridges, pursuant to N.H. RSA 245:6.

Moved, seconded and secret ballot requested.

Results: Yes - 99

No - 98

ARTICLE XX. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following Housing Resolution:

WHEREAS, that there continues to exist within the state a serious shortage of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations at rents which elderly and low income persons can afford, and that such persons are forced to occupy sub-standard dwelling accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the General Court of the State of New Hampshire has enacted Chapter 204-A of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated establishing the New Hampshire Housing Commission; and

WHEREAS, RSA 204-a:9 provides that in a municipality where there is no local housing authority operating, the Commission shall not operate without the consent of the governing body of a municipality; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 8 of the U. S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, the United States of America, acting through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, is authorized to enter into annual contributions contracts with public housing agencies pursuant to which such agencies may enter into contracts to make assistance payments to owners:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the 1- Town Meeting of the 2- Town of Ashland as follows:

That the New Hampshire Housing Commission be and is authorized to operate in 2- The Town of Ashland.

That said New Hampshire Housing Commission is authorized to sponsor a project, under Section 8 of the U. S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, for any of the following dwelling accommodations or a combination thereof; (a) existing standard housing 10, dwelling units; (b) rehabilitated housing

10 dwelling units; (c) newly constructed housing 10 dwelling units, the total amount of the foregoing not to exceed 30 dwelling units. The total number of dwelling units authorized by this and all previous authorizations shall not exceed 30 dwelling units.

The motion was made and seconded to accept article as read.

The voice vote was in doubt and a secret ballot showed the following results:

Yes - 89

No - 75

ARTICLE XXI. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes.

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax acquired property.

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XXIII. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make preapplication and application for and to accept, on behalf of the Town any or all grants or gifts including grants from the Community Development Act of 1974 which may be forthcoming from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and to expend such funds.

Moved, seconded and so voted.

ARTICLE XXIV. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

It was moved, seconded and so voted that the Town Report be proof read before going to press to minimize the errors in the same.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion K. Merrill  
Town Clerk

# Special Meeting Town Warrant — 1976

The State of New Hampshire

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To the Inhabitants of the Town of Ashland, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Ashland Gymnasium in said Ashland on Tuesday the 2nd day of November, 1976 at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

- (1) To see if the Town will vote to permit the Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend funds under the Local Public Works Employment Act of 1976 for which the State of New Hampshire has received funds. The purpose of obtaining said funds is to finance the erection of a new Town Garage.
- (2) To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 15th day of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-six.

EDWARD N. DOGGETT  
ERNEST J. PAQUETTE  
HAROLD V. BUCKMAN  
Selectmen, Ashland, N.H.

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

EDWARD N. DOGGETT  
ERNEST J. PAQUETTE  
HAROLD V. BUCKMAN  
Selectmen, Ashland, N.H.

# Special Town Meeting

November 2, 1976

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A Special Town Meeting was held at the Ashland Gymnasium at 1:30 P.M. on November 2, 1976 for the purpose of discussing the articles of the warrant as follows:

(1) To see if the Town will vote to permit the Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend funds under the Local Public Works Employment Act of 1976 for which the State of New Hampshire has received funds. The purpose of obtaining said funds is to finance the erection of a new Town Garage. (On written ballot).

It was noted that the application for the grant was for \$119,000.00 including the cost of the plans and would be 100 percent federally funded and that the building would be erected on town owned property.

Results of written ballot: Yes 540 No 100

(2) To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion K. Merrill  
Town Clerk

A true copy attest:

Marion K. Merrill

# TOWN WARRANT —1977

The State of New Hampshire

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To the Inhabitants of the Town of Ashland in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Ashland School Auditorium in said Ashland on Tuesday the eighth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon Article 1 hereof, and you are further notified to meet at the same place on the same day at 7:00 P.M. to act upon the remaining articles in this Warrant.

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee and pass any vote in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.21 for Town Road Aid. (State to contribute \$2,668.08). (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for use as set-offs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purposes and in amounts indicated herewith or take any other action thereon. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Appropriation:

Police Department	\$ 6766.66
Fire Department	6766.67
Highway Department	6766.67

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Antirecession Assistance Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Public Works Employment Act of 1976, for use as set-offs against budgeted appropriations for the following



specific purposes and in the amount indicated herewith or take any other action thereon. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Appropriations :

Town Office Expense, Clerical	\$224.00
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Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of \$1,460.00. This sum will be placed in a trust fund known as the Pauline Packard Memorial Library Fund for the purpose of purchasing library books for the Town of Ashland Library. If the town votes to accept the gift, \$460.00 will be released immediately to the Library Trustees for the purpose of purchasing library books for the Town of Ashland Library. For each subsequent year, the interest accumulating on the principal of the trust shall be released upon the Library Trustees' request. (Petitioned by ten or more legal voters).

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make preapplication and application for and to accept, on behalf of the Town, any or all Federal, State, or other gifts including grants from the Local Public Works Capital Development and Investment Program and to expend such funds.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 per year to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for future purchase of Fire Alarm Installation, pursuant to N. H. RSA 35:1 (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw from Capital Reserve Fund the amount of \$9,300.00 for the purpose of purchasing a new Highway Truck. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$112,269.29 plus any additional interest as of March 9, 1977, to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for future extensions of the Sanitary Mains. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint the Chief of Police, who under the direction of the Selectmen, shall have charge of the Police Department; said appointment to become effective March, 1978 Town Meeting, pursuant to N. H. RSA 41:47.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to establish a three year term of office for the Town Clerk under the provisions of N. H. RSA 41:16-A (1). This vote will take effect immediately following the annual meeting of March, 1977. This article will appear on the printed ballot. (Petitioned by ten or more legal voters).

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply \$7,500.00 received from the Waterville Sanitary Landfill agreement to establish a Capital Reserve fund for the purchase of future Sanitary

Landfill Equipment. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to establish a three year term of office for the Tax Collector under the provisions of N.H. RSA 41:2A (1). This vote to take effect immediately following the annual meeting of March, 1977. This article will appear on the printed ballot. (Petitioned by ten or more legal voters).

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to change that portion of Leavitt Hill Road from the property of Philip and Marion Stevens where the hard surface road now ends to the end now classified as a Class 5 to a Class 6 Road. Pursuant to N. H. RSA 238:1.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for the purpose of construction of a new Town Garage; \$10,000.00 to be raised by taxation this year, the balance of \$20,000.00 to be raised by the Selectmen borrowing a short term note less any receipts derived from the sale of the present garage building and land. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, if Article 17 is passed, to sell the old Town Garage Building and Land with the understanding the building will be removed within six months of the time the deed is passed, and with the further understanding that no new building shall be erected on that portion of the property where the existing building now stands. The monies received from the sale of this property shall go to reduce the short term note borrowed on the construction of the new town building. The selectmen shall reserve the right to reject any or all bids on this property. (Recommended by Budget Committee).

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Operational Procedures for Town Trustees:

Administrative: 1. Maintain Cash Journal; 2. Maintain Trust Fund Ledger; 3. Prepare annual reports on State Forms No. M-2 (Trust Funds), and M-2A (Common Trust Fund Investments); 4. Meetings of the trustees will be called as deemed necessary; 5. All disbursements must be documented by statement of purpose from the benefactors; 6. All disbursements must be receipted; 7. All disbursements will be paid by bank checks with receipt stub retained by Trustees; 8. All deposits and withdrawals will be handled by Town Trustees only; 9. All transactions must have three trustees' signatures; 10. Physical inventory will be taken annually of the safe deposit box. 11. No disbursement shall be made of Town Capital Reserve funds unless duly authorized by a proper public vote.

Banking: 1. All trustees must be authorized on signature cards at the bank; 2. There must be at least two trustees in order to enter the safe deposit box; 3. Trustees' log must be signed in and out, and purpose of entrance so indicated; 4. Removal and return of any contents from premises of bank must be receipted by recipient and by trustee upon return. Purpose of removal must be indicated.



Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax acquired property and any other surplus equipment valued at \$1,000.00 or under.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to institute, amend, or update town ordinances with the exception of planning, building or zoning ordinances which would require a vote of the town.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to turn over their remaining inventory acquired by the Bicentennial Committee to the Historical Commission for its purpose and use.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of Taxes.

Article 24. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 14th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

EDWARD N. DOGGETT  
HAROLD V. BUCKMAN  
ERNEST J. PAQUETTE

Selectmen, Ashland, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant, Attest:

EDWARD N. DOGGETT  
HAROLD V. BUCKMAN  
ERNEST J. PAQUETTE

Selectmen, Ashland, N.H.

# Budget For 1977

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the Ensuing  
Year January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

Compared with

Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures  
of the Previous Year January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976

	Appropriations Previous Year 1976	Appropriations Recommended by Budget Committee Year 1977	Submitted Without Recommendation by Budget Committee
<i>PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION</i>			
<i>General Government:</i>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 7,050.00	\$ 7,400.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	16,026.00	16,375.00	
Election & Registration Expenses	1,910.00	725.00	
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	4,500.00	4,850.00	
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	4,608.00	5,500.00	
Tax Map	5,000.00		
Street Signs	400.00	300.00	
<i>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</i>			
Police Department	31,038.00	39,228.00	
Fire Department	28,786.83	29,985.00	
Care of Trees	250.00	250.00	
Insurance	10,325.00	11,300.00	
Planning & Zoning	300.00	400.00	
Damages & Legal Expense	1,100.00	1,100.00	
Civil Defense	300.00	300.00	
<i>Health Dept.</i>			
(Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance)	6,698.75	7,789.10	
Vital Statistics	200.00	100.00	
Sewer Maintenance	66,430.00	73,255.00	
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	7,723.00	7,925.00	
<i>Highways &amp; Bridges:</i>			
Town Maint. - Summer & Winter	53,112.00	59,006.00	
Street Lighting	4,170.00	15,300.00	
Town Road Aid	399.83	400.21	
<i>Libraries</i>	3,800.00	4,300.00	
<i>Public Welfare:</i>			
Town Poor	2,500.00	3,800.00	
Old Age Assistance	4,500.00	6,000.00	
Yearly Revaluation	1,000.00	1,000.00	

<i>Patriotic Purposes</i>			
Memorial Day, Etc.	775.00	275.00	
<i>Recreation</i>	16,975.00	13,195.00	
<i>Public Service Enterprises:</i>			
Municipal Water - Electric Utilities	563,355.00	693,925.00	(12,000.00 from
Cemeteries	150.00	150.00	Surplus)
Clock	25.00	25.00	
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1,130.50	1,165.13	
<i>Debt Service:</i>			
Principal & Long Term Notes And Bonds	47,000.00	67,000.00	
Interest - Long Term Notes And Bonds	36,280.00	35,446.67	
Interest on Temporary Loans	6,000.00	5,500.00	
<i>Capital Outlay:</i>			
Highway Garage		30,000.00	
Fire Station	150,000.00		
W-D Capital Reserve Plans			
Fire Station	1,000.00		
Highway Truck		9,300.00	
Sanitary Landfill Equipment		7,500.00	
<i>Payment to Capital Reserve Funds:</i>			
Highway Equipment	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Fire Truck	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Fire Station	20,000.00		
Library - Pauline Packard Mem.		1,460.00	
Fire Alarm System		3,000.00	
Sanitary - New Construction		112,269.29	
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$1,119,817.91</b>	<b>\$1,291,799.40</b>	

	<i>Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1976</i>	<i>Actual Revenue Previous Year 1976</i>	<i>Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1977</i>
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#### **SOURCES OF REVENUE**

##### *From State:*

Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,556.88	\$ 9,000.00
Railroad Tax		50.11	
Savings Bank Tax	2,500.00	2,998.49	2,800.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	9,500.00	11,787.75	11,000.00
State Aid - Water Pollution Projects	41,497.00	41,497.00	40,316.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	9,141.71	9,141.71	9,139.12
Reim. Forest Conservation Aid			
State Forest Land	30.00	41.58	
Reim. a-c Bus. Profits Tax (Town Portion)	32,009.00	32,009.00	33,609.00
Gas Tax Refund	750.00	1,162.65	1,000.00
Forest Fires	200.00	119.11	100.00

*From Local Sources:*

Dog Licenses	450.00	548.90	500.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Fees	200.00	878.75	500.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	19,000.00	27,875.27	20,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	8,000.00	9,315.45	9,000.00
Income to Trust Funds			121,229.29
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds	73,199.67	73,199.67	9,300.00
Fines & Forfeits		38.00	25.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00	94.50	20.00
Resident Taxes Retained	9,000.00	11,505.10	9,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed			190.42
Sale of Town Property	2,100.00	3,962.55	10,000.00
Income from Departments	20,001.00	25,966.30	30,281.00
Gifts	24,700.33	24,700.33	
Income from Municipal Utilities	629,785.00	629,785.00	767,180.00
Bond & Note Issues (Contra)	50,000.00	50,000.00	10,000.00
<i>Surplus</i>	8,000.00	5,928.41	8,000.00

*From Federal Sources:*

Revenue Sharing	20,900.00	20,900.00	20,300.00
Ant. Recession			224.00

TOTAL REVENUES

\$965,983.71    \$994,062.51    \$1,123,213.83

*Amount To Be Raised*

*By Property Taxes*

168,585.57

(exclusive of County & School Taxes)

TOTAL REVENUES

\$1,291,799.40

# Summary Of Inventory

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Description of Property	Gross Valuation
Land	\$ 5,260,400.00
Buildings	7,998,170.00
Factory Buildings	934,200.00
Public Utilities (Electric)	537,700.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes	389,692.00
Boats and Launches	<u>117,805.00</u>
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	\$15,237,967.00
Elderly Exemptions (49)	\$195,200.00
Total Exemptions Allowed	<u>195,200.00</u>
Net Valuations on which tax rate is computed	\$15,042,767.00

# Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

## Appropriations:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 7,050.00
Town Officers' Expenses	16,026.00
Election & Registration Expenses	1,910.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	4,500.00
Town Clock	25.00
Employee's Retirement & Social Security	4,608.00
Street Signs	400.00
Police Department	31,038.00
Tax Mapping	5,000.00
Fire Department \$28,286.83 Forest Fires \$500	28,786.83
Care of Trees (Incl. Blister Rust & Moth Extermination)	250.00
Insurance	10,325.00
Planning & Zoning	300.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	1,100.00
Civilian Defense	300.00
Health Department (Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance)	6,698.75
Vital Statistics	200.00
Sewers - Maintenance	66,430.00
Town Dump & Garbage Collection	7,723.00
Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter	46,912.00
Street Lighting	4,170.00
Street Re-surfacing	6,200.00
Town Road Aid	399.83
Libraries	3,800.00
Town Poor	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	4,500.00
Yearly Valuation	1,000.00
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, etc.)	275.00
Recreation (Parks, Playground, etc.)	16,975.00
Municipal Water - Electric Utilities	563,355.00
Cemeteries	150.00
Bicentennial	500.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	1,130.50
Principal-Long Term Notes (\$7,000) Bonds (\$40,000)	47,000.00
Interest-Long Term Notes (\$200) Bonds (\$36,080)	36,280.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	6,000.00
Capital Outlay (list below):	
New Fire Station	151,000.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	35,000.00

**Total Town Appropriations**

**\$1,119,817.91**

**Estimated Revenues and Credits:**

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 10,556.88
Railroad Tax	50.11
Savings Bank Tax	2,998.49
Meals & Rooms Tax	9,500.00
State Aid for Water Pollution Projects	41,497.00
Reimbursement a-c State and Federal Lands	30.00
Gasoline Tax Reimbursement	750.00
Interest Received on Taxes	8,239.11
w-Capital Reserve, Misc.gifts, Fire Station	100,000.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	510.00
Dog Licenses	534.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	22,000.00
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	200.00
In Lieu of Taxes - Electric	12,000.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	1,862.55
Fines	12.00
Sanitary Department	66,430.00
Water & Electric Departments	563,355.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	76.50
Resident Taxes	10,870.00
Surplus	17,000.00
Revenue Sharing	20,900.00
Proceeds of Bonds & Long Term Notes	50,000.00
Highway Subsidy	9,141.71
Parks and Recreation	7,800.00

<b>Total Revenue and Credits</b>	<b>\$ 956,313.35</b>
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Net Town Appropriations	\$163,504.56
Net School Appropriations	456,558.51
County Tax Assessment	32,770.11

<b>Total of Town, School and County</b>	<b>652,833.18</b>
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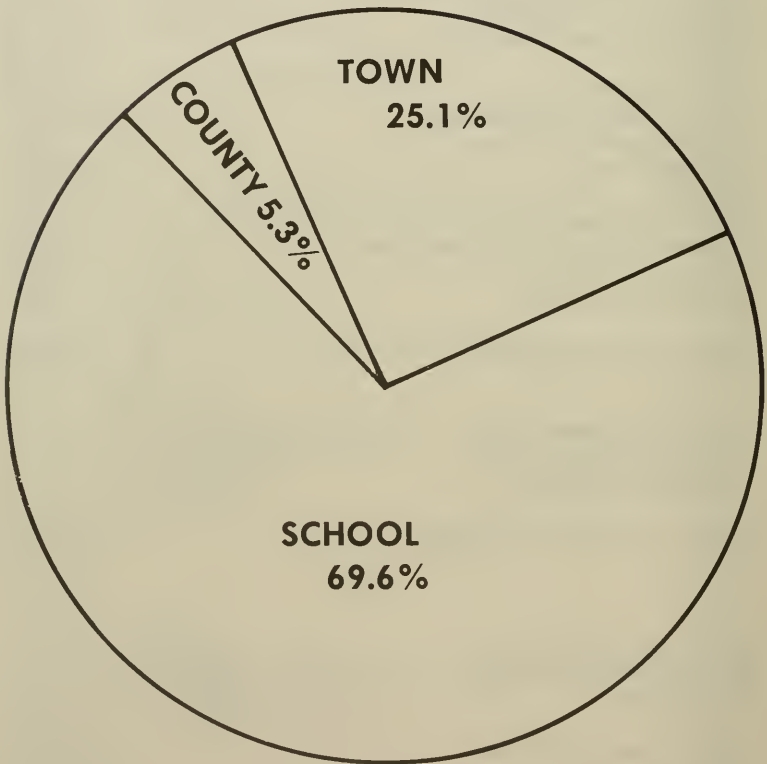
Less: Business Profits Tax	97,195.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	7,050.00
Add: Overlay	5,928.41

<b>Property Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>\$ 568,616.59</b>
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**TAX RATE - \$3.78**

<b>Unit of Government</b>	<b>Rates</b>
Municipal	\$ .95
County	.20
School	2.63
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	<b>\$3.78</b>

# Where Your Tax Dollar Goes



**TAX RATE — \$3.78**



# TOWN OF ASHLAND

## AUDITOR'S OPINION

May 1, 1976

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We have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, subject to the qualification regarding the failure to record departmental inventories for the enterprise funds as stated in our letter of transmittal, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of sources of revenues and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire at December 31, 1975 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities in the State of New Hampshire, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

PLODZIK AND SANDERSON

Accountants and Auditors

# TOWN OF ASHLAND

May 1, 1976

## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Ashland  
Ashland, New Hampshire 03217

Gentlemen:

We have examined the books and records of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, and have prepared the attached exhibits and schedules in conformity with the recommended format prescribed by the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire.

### SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Trustees of Trust Funds, Enterprise Funds, Library and Scribner Memorial Trust Fund.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### General Fund:

##### Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative balance sheets which disclose the financial condition of the general fund as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the current surplus of the Town increased by \$892 in 1975, from \$50,419 at December 31, 1974 to \$51,311 at December 31, 1975.

##### Analysis of Change in Current Financial Conditions: (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the change in current financial condition of the Town is contained in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

##### Increase in Current Surplus:

Net Budget Surplus (Exhibit A-4)	\$18,251
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##### Decreases in Current Surplus:

Surplus Used to Reduce Tax Rate	\$16,600
Tax Liens Transferred to Tax Deeds	759

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17,359

Net Increase in Current Surplus	\$ 892
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Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures - Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), a revenue surplus of \$10,595, plus a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$7,656, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$18,251 in 1975.

**Long-Term Indebtedness:**

**Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-5)**

Comparative balance sheets showing the outstanding long-term indebtedness of the Town as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975, are contained in Exhibit A-5. The long-term debt decreased by \$47,000 in 1975, from \$881,000 at December 31, 1974 to \$834,000 at December 31, 1975.

**Statement of Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-6)**

A statement of debt service requirements, showing annual maturities of principal and interest, is presented in Exhibit A-6.

**Disaster Relief Act Fund:**

**Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-7)**

Comparative balance sheets of the Disaster Relief Act Fund as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975, are contained in Exhibit A-7. Including the federal grant receivable of \$59,460 at December 31, 1975, there is a deficit of \$71 in the fund at that date.

**Enterprise Funds:**

**Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibits A-8, A-10 and A-12)**

**Statements of Revenue and Expense: (Exhibits A-9, A-11 and A-13)**

Comparative balance sheets and statements of revenue and expense covering the Enterprise Funds (Electric, Sanitary and Water Departments) are contained in Exhibits A-8 to A-13 inclusive. In accordance with the practices followed by the Town of Ashland, the bookkeeping system for these funds does not provide for an accounting over inventories of unused materials, supplies and equipment, and it was not practicable to determine the materiality of the funds' investment in inventories.

**OTHER FUNDS AND OFFICIALS' ACCOUNTS**

The accompanying supplemental exhibits covering segregated funds and the accounts of those officials entrusted with the custody, receipt or expenditure of Town funds, are presented in accordance with the current requirements of the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire. Although not considered necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements and results of operations, our examination of these accounts included the same tests and auditing procedures applied in the examination of the aforementioned financial statements. In our opinion, these exhibits are stated fairly in all material respects when considered in conjunction with the financial statements taken as a whole.

We extend our thanks to the officials and the office staff of the Town of Ashland for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

**PLODZIK AND SANDERSON**  
Accountants and Auditors

# LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

October 8, 1976

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Ashland  
Ashland, New Hampshire 03217

Gentlemen:

We have audited the accounts and records of the Town Treasurer, Trustees of Trust Funds, and Scribner Memorial Trust Funds for the period January 1, 1976 to August 2, 1976 and as a result have prepared the attached exhibits.

## SCOPE OF AUDIT

We traced all the bank drafts written during the period to the Treasurer's records and related Town accounts and checked for propriety. Receipts were checked from source insofar as possible and traced to the bank statements and savings passbooks. All bank accounts were verified with the depository banks at July 30, 1976.

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

As a result of the bank confirmation notice received from the Meredith Village Savings Bank, the following discrepancies between the passbook balances and verified bank balances were revealed:

<i>Account Name</i>	<i>Sanitary Account</i>	<i>Revenue Sharing</i>	<i>Water Department</i>	<i>Electric Department</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Passbook Number</i>	43476	41441	43555	43813	
<i>Date</i>	March 8, 1976	April 14, 1976	April 5, 1976	March 1, 1976	
<i>Passbook Amount</i>	\$15,986.23	\$18,220.83	\$9,614.75	\$24,540.61	\$68,362.42
<i>Per Bank 7-30-76</i>	113.07	306.59	681.04	373.48	1,474.18
<i>Discrepancy</i>	\$15,873.16	\$17,914.24	\$8,933.71	\$24,167.13	\$66,888.24

In addition, the capital reserve fund for the fire station, Meredith Village Savings Bank passbook number 39966, is understated by \$40,000 as a result of the following improper transactions:

1. Town check number 2117, dated May 27, 1976 in the amount of \$20,000 has not been credited to the account. The check was made payable to the order of "Meredith Village Savings Bank Account

No. 39966," and has been endorsed accordingly.

2. A withdrawal slip dated July 23, 1976 in the amount of \$20,000 was not initiated or authorized by the Town Trustees.

Neither of the above transactions appears on the bank passbook. The combined discrepancy between the reconciled passbook balances and the bank records totals \$106,888.24 as indicated herewith:

<b>Account</b>	<b>Unauthorized Withdrawal Amount</b>
Sanitary Account	\$15,873.16
Revenue Sharing Fund	17,914.24
Water Department	8,933.71
Electric Department	24,167.13
Capital Reserve Fund - Fire Station	40,000.00
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	\$106,888.24

Inasmuch as the bank has precluded the recording of any activity to these accounts at this time, the figure above does not include interest earned subsequent to the last posting date in the passbook. The fire station capital reserve fund has interest of \$211.94 recorded on the passbook on August 1, 1976. It appears that interest earned from January 1, 1976 to August 1, 1976 totaling \$1,398.64 has been reflected on the bank records but not recorded on the passbook, as indicated by this reconciliation:

**Capital Reserve Fund - Fire Station  
Passbook Number 39966**

Balance per passbook - January 5, 1976	\$52,276.75
Add:	
Deposit not credited (item No. 1)	20,000.00
Interest recorded	211.94
Interest not recorded on passbook	1,398.64
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Audited Balance - August 1, 1976	\$73,887.33
Balance per passbook and bank confirmation - August 1, 1976	\$33,887.33
Add:	
Deposit not credited (item No. 1)	20,000.00
Unauthorized withdrawal (item No. 2)	20,000.00
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Reconciled Balance - August 1, 1976	\$73,887.33

In our opinion, the transactions effecting the withdrawal of the funds covering these accounts were not initiated by an individual acting in the capacity of a Town official. With the exception of passbook number 39966 noted above, the entries appearing on the passbooks agree with the audited Town records for 1975 and to date in 1976. Our findings indicate that the Meredith Village Savings Bank should assume the responsibility for the deficiency of principal and interest in the accounts at August 2, 1976.

Respectfully submitted,

Plodzik and Sanderson

October 25, 1976

**LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Ashland  
Ashland, New Hampshire 03217

Gentlemen:

We have examined the accounts and records of Joyce M. Bavis, Town Treasurer for the period August 3, 1976 to August 24, 1976 and as a result submit the attached exhibits.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards applicable to cash transactions, and accordingly include such tests of the accounting records as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,  
Plodzick and Sanderson



# Statement of Assets & Liabilities

## TOWN OF ASHLAND

December 31, 1976

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### BALANCE SHEET

#### ASSETS —

##### Cash:

In Hands of Treasurer	\$ 52,683.81
In Hands of Officials	50.74

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Total	\$ 52,734.55
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##### Capital Reserve Funds:

Highway	10,108.75
Fire Truck	30,671.03
Fire Station	1,979.38

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Total	\$ 42,759.16
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##### Accounts Due to the Town

###### Due from State:

Flood Note-Paid by Town 12-31-73	18,794.85
Meals and Room Tax	11,787.75
Reimb. a-c State Forest Land	41.58
Sanitary Landfill	1,885.00

###### Other Bills Due Town:

Highway	80.63
Town Poor	421.26
Parks & Playgrounds	605.00
Civil Defense	40.00
Police	35.01

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Total	\$ 33,691.08
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##### Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1975	28,596.64
Levy of 1974	18,726.77
Previous Years	2,482.09

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Total	\$ 49,805.50
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##### Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1976, Including Resident Taxes	150,381.79
Levy of 1975	945.04

Levy of 1974	92.00	
Previous Years	941.69	
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Total		\$152,360.52
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<b>Total Assets</b>		\$331,350.81
Current Surplus (Deficit), December 31, 1975		\$ 51,311.00
Current Surplus (Deficit), December 31, 1976		46,573.38
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Increase-Decrease of Surplus (Deficit) — Change in Financial Condition		\$ 4,737.62

**LIABILITIES—**

**Accounts Owed by the Town:**

Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	18,044.35
Anti-Recession	224.99
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't)	190.42
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable	223,558.51
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Total Accounts Owed by the Town \$242,018.27

**Capital Reserve Funds:**

(Offsets similar Asset account) \$ 42,759.16

<b>Total Liabilities</b>		\$284,777.43
<b>Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)</b>		46,573.38
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Grand Total		\$331,350.81

# Schedule of Town Property

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Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands, Buildings, Equipment	\$ 27,500.00
Libraries, Lands, Buildings, Equipment	50,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	15,000.00
Fire Department, Lands & Buildings	150,000.00
Equipment	15,200.00
Highway Department, Lands & Buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	26,000.00
Materials & Supplies	3,000.00
Parks, Commons & Playgrounds	103,899.00
Water Supply Facilities	78,500.00
Electric Light Plant	304,899.00
Sewer Plant & Facilities	1,800,000.00
Schools, Lands & Buildings	583,000.00
Equipment	28,000.00
Sanitary Landfill	14,000.00
Equipment	30,706.00
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	\$ 3,234,704.00

# Summary Of Warrants Property, Resident And Yield Taxes Levy Of 1976

—DR.—

*Taxes Committed to Collector:*

Property Taxes	\$561,566.59
Resident Taxes	10,470.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	94.50

Total Warrants	\$572,131.09
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Yield Taxes	0.00
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*Added Taxes:*

Property Taxes	\$ 2,921.70
Resident Taxes	1,060.00

\$ 3,981.70

Land Use Change Taxes	0.00
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*Overpayments During Year:*

a-c Property Taxes	\$ .30
a-c Resident Taxes	30.00

\$ 30.30

*Interest Collected on Delinquent  
Property Taxes*

40.24

*Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes:*

46.00

Total Debit

\$576,229.33

— CR. —

*Remittances to Treasurer:*

Property Taxes	\$414,959.82
Resident Taxes	8,000.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	94.50
Yield Taxes	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00
Interest Collected	40.24
Penalties on Resident Taxes	46.00

\$423,140.56

Discounts Allowed 0.00

*Abatements Made During Year:*

Property Taxes	\$ 1,186.98	
Resident Taxes	1,520.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
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		\$ 2,706.98

*Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:*  
(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$148,341.79	
Resident Taxes	2,040.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
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		\$150,381.79

Total Credits	<hr/>	\$576,229.33
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# Summary Of Warrants Property, Resident And Yield Taxes Levy Of 1975

—DR.—

*Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$130,698.82	
Resident Taxes	3,530.00	
		\$134,228.82

*Added Taxes:*

Property Taxes	0.00	
Resident Taxes	580.00	
		\$ 580.00

*Overpayments:*

a-c Property Taxes	\$85.61	
a-c Resident Taxes	0.00	
		\$ 85.61

*Interest Collected on Delinquent*

Property Taxes		5,801.74
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*Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes*

364.05

Total Debits

\$141,060.22

—CR.—

*Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976*

	43.65	
Property Taxes	\$130,029.28	
Resident Taxes	3,133.60	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	
Interest Collected During Year	5,801.74	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	364.05	
		\$139,372.32

*Abatements Made During Year:*

Property Taxes & Deeded	\$	256.46	
Resident Taxes		486.40	
Yield Taxes		0.00	
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	\$		742.86

*Uncollected Taxes - Dec. 31, 1976:*  
(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$	455.04	
Resident Taxes		490.00	
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	\$		945.04

Total Credits

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\$141,060.22

# Summary Of Warrants Property, Resident And Yield Taxes Levy Of 1974

—DR.—

*Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$ 303.37	
Resident Taxes	110.00	
		\$ 413.37

*Added Taxes:*

Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	
Resident Taxes	0.00	
		0.00

*Land Use Change Taxes* 0.00

*Overpayments:*

a-c Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	
a-c Resident Taxes	0.00	
		\$ 0.00

*Interest Collected on Delinquent  
Property Taxes* 8.76

*Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes* 2.00

<b>Total Debits</b>		<b>\$ 424.13</b>
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—CR.—

*Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$ 73.70	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	
Interest Collected During Year	8.76	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	2.00	
		\$ 104.46



*Abatements Made During Year:*

Property Taxes	\$ 207.67	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 227.67

*Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:*

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 22.00	
Resident Taxes	70.00	
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Total Credits \$ 424.13

# Summary Of Warrants Property, Resident And Yield Taxes Levy Of 1973

—DR.—

*Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$ 77.94	
Resident Taxes	30.00	
		\$ 107.94

*Added Taxes:*

Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	
Resident Taxes	0.00	
		\$ 0.00

*Land Use Change Taxes* 0.00

*Overpayments:*

a-c Property Taxes	0.00	
a-c Resident Taxes	0.00	
		\$ 0.00

*Interest Collected on Delinquent*

*Property Taxes* 1.26

*Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes* 0.00

**Total Debits** \$ 109.20

—CR.—

*Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$ 6.10	
Resident Taxes	0.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	
Interest Collected During Year	1.26	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	0.00	
		\$ 7.36



# Summary Of Warrants Property, Resident And Yield Taxes Levy Of 1972

—DR.—

*Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
Resident Taxes		20.00	
			\$ 20.00

*Added Taxes:*

Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
			\$ 0.00

*Land Use Change Taxes* \$ 0.00

*Overpayments:*

a-c Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
a-c Resident Taxes		0.00	
			\$ 0.00

*Interest Collected on Delinquent  
Property Taxes* \$ 0.00

*Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes* \$ 0.00

**Total Debits** \$ 20.00

—CR.—

*Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976*

Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
Yield Taxes		0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes		0.00	
Interest Collected During Year		0.00	
Penalties on Resident Taxes		0.00	
			\$ 0.00

*Abatements Made During Year:*

Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	
Resident Taxes	10.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 10.00

*Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:*  
(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	
Resident Taxes	10.00	
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Total Credits	<hr/>	\$ 20.00
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# Summary Of Warrants Property, Resident And Yield Taxes Levy Of 1971

—DR.—

*Uncollected Taxes As of January 1, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$	923.11	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
			\$ 923.11

*Added Taxes:*

Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
			\$ 0.00

*Land Use Change Taxes* \$ 0.00

*Overpayments:*

a-c Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
a-c Resident Taxes		0.00	
			\$ 0.00

*Interest Collected on Delinquent  
Property Taxes* \$ 0.00

*Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes* 0.00

<b>Total Debits</b>			<b>\$ 923.11</b>
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—CR.—

*Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976*

Property Taxes	\$	0.00	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
Yield Taxes		0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes		0.00	
Interest Collected During Year		0.00	
			\$ 0.00

*Abatements Made During Year:*

Property Taxes Deeded	\$	13.93	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
Yield Taxes		0.00	
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			\$ 13.93

*Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:*

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$	909.18	
Resident Taxes		0.00	
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			\$ 909.18

Total Credits \$ 923.11

# Summary of Tax Sales Accounts Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

—DR.—

	<i>Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:</i>			<i>Previous Years</i>
	<i>1975</i>	<i>1974</i>	<i>1973</i>	
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1976	\$	\$29,457.84	\$ 8,739.49	\$ 585.27
(b) Taxes Sold To Town During Current Fiscal Year	42,175.40			
Interest Collected After Sale	232.05	1,110.50	1,486.77	242.54
Redemption Costs	118.50	119.50	86.80	6.25
Total Debits	\$42,525.95	\$30,687.84	\$10,313.06	\$834.06

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer				
During Year:				
Redemptions	\$13,543.68	\$10,731.07	\$ 6,765.64	\$



Interest & Costs After Sale	350.55	1,230.00	1,573.57	248.79
Abatements During Year	35.08			
Deeded to Town During Year	00.00			
Unredeemed Taxes - Dec. 31, 1976	28,596.64	18,726.77	1,973.85	508.24
Total Credits	\$42,525.95	\$30,687.84	\$10,313.06	\$834.06

Arlene L. Mills  
Tax Collector

# Sanitary Department Summary of Warrants

—DR.—

**Committed to Collector:**

May 1, 1975 - balance 1-1-76	\$ 919.60	
November 1, 1975 - balance 1-1-76	4,392.78	
May 1, 1976	31,400.70	
November 1, 1976	32,452.23	
		\$ 69,165.31

**Overpayments:**

November 1, 1976		134.22
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**Interest and Costs:**

May 1, 1975	114.32	
November 1, 1976	50.05	
May 1, 1976	19.26	
		\$ 183.63

Total Debits		\$69,483.16
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—CR.—

**Remittances to Treasurer:**

May 1, 1975	\$ 919.60	
November 1, 1975	3,863.39	
May 1, 1976	29,949.85	
November 1, 1976	28,539.56	
		\$63,272.40

**Interest and Costs:**

May 1, 1975	114.32	
November 1, 1975	50.05	
May 1, 1976	19.26	
		\$ 183.63

**Abatements during 1976:**

May 1, 1976 Warrant		125.13
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November 1, 1976 Warrant

76.56

76.56  
\$ 201.69

**Uncollected - December 31, 1976:**

November 1, 1975

529.39

May 1, 1976

1,325.72

November 1, 1976

3,970.33

5,825.44  
\$ 5,825.44

Total Credits

\$69,483.16

Arlene L. Mills  
Tax Collector

# Town Clerk Report 1976

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## AUTO

Auto Permits issued 1975  
Auto Permits issued 1976

## DOG LICENSE

Dog Licenses issued 1976  
Kennel Licenses issued 1976  
Dog Replacement License issued 1976

# Town Treasurer's Report 1976

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Balance, August 24, 1976	\$ 38,976.20
Total Receipts 8-24-76 — 12-31-76	540,894.59
Total Expenditures 8-24-76 — 12-31-76	527,186.98
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Balance, December 31, 1976	\$ 52,683.81

The above is a correct statement of the transactions of the treasury during the period of August 24, 1976 to December 31, 1976.

Beverly Y. Labrique  
Town Treasurer

# Summary of Revenue 1976

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## RECEIPTS —

### Current Revenue from Local Taxes:

(Collected and remitted to Treasurer)

Property Taxes	\$414,959.82	
Resident Taxes	8,000.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	94.50	
Yield Taxes	<u>00.00</u>	
Total Current Year's Taxes		\$423,054.32
Property and Yield Taxes - Previous Years		130,109.08
Resident Taxes - Previous Years		3,153.60
Interest Received on Delinquent Accounts		9,315.46
Penalties Resident & State Head Taxes		351.50
Tax Sales Redeemed		31,117.42

### From State:

Highways and Bridges		
Highway Subsidy		9,141.71
Interest and Dividends Tax		10,556.88
Railroad Tax		50.11
Savings Bank Tax		2,998.49
State Aid For Flood Control Land		
And Water Pollution Projects		41,497.00
Fighting Forest Fires		119.11
Reimbursement a-c Motor Vehicle Road Toll		1,234.08
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax		97,197.08

### From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses		548.50
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees		876.75
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal & District Court		38.00
Income from Departments		11,221.67
Income from Municipal Water, Sewer		
And Electric Departments		629,785.00
Motor Vehicle Permits		<u>27,875.27</u>

Total Current Revenue Receipts		\$1,430,241.03
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### Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 200,000.00	
Proceeds of Long Term Notes	50,000.00	
Proceeds of Bond Issues - Proceeds - Flood Note	31,205.15	
Gifts	24,700.33	
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	12,000.00	
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	73,199.67	
Sale of Town Property	3,962.55	
Yield Tax Security Deposits	190.42	

Grants from U.S.A.	
Revenue Sharing	20,507.00
Interest on Investments on Revenue Sharing Funds	393.00
Recreation Grants	4,043.02
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	\$ 420,201.14
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$1,850,442.17
Cash on Hand January 1, 1976 — July 1, 1976)	36,258.87
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Grand Total	\$1,886,701.04

# Summary of Expenditures 1976

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## PAYMENTS —

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 6,892.35
Town Officers' Expenses	14,944.88
Election and Registration Expenses	1,759.57
Expenses Town Hall — Other Town Bldgs.	3,335.74
Reappraisal of Property	773.21

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	31,745.67
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires	28,525.52
\$28,286.59 + \$239.13	
Moth Extermination - Blister Rust and Care of Trees	195.12
Planning and Zoning	219.38
Insurance	10,178.86
Civil Defense	28.00

#### Health:

Health Dept. incl. Hospitals & Ambulance	6,698.75
Vital Statistics	42.75
Sewer Maintenance (Including Sewer Disposal Facilities Operation)	66,430.00
Town Dumps and Garbage Removal	8,160.55

#### Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	399.83
Town Maintenance (Summer - \$6,243.50) (Winter - \$48,781.45)	55,024.95
Street Lighting	4,172.53
General Expenses of Highway Dept. Street Signs	240.00

#### Libraries:

Libraries	3,800.00
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#### Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	5,957.50
Town Poor	648.50

#### Patriotic Purposes:

Bicentennial Committee	500.00
Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations	



and Old Home Day	263.00	
<b>Recreation:</b>		
Parks & Playgrounds, including		
Band Concerts	12,901.45	
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>		
Municipal Water and Electric Departments	563,355.00	
Cemeteries, Including Hearse Hire	127.59	
<b>Unclassified:</b>		
Damages and Legal Expenses	831.55	
Advertising and Regional Associations		
\$1,078.00 + \$52.50	1,130.50	
Taxes Bought by Town	42,175.40	
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	402.90	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	4,968.19	
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$876,829.24
<b>DEBT SERVICE —</b>		
<b>Interest on Debt:</b>		
Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes	4,619.79	
Paid on Long Term Notes	54.44	
Paid on Bonded Debt	36,080.00	
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Total Interest Payments		\$40,754.23
<b>Principal of Debt:</b>		
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	200,000.00	
Payments on Long Term Notes	7,000.00	
Payments on Bonded Debt	40,000.00	
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Total Principal Payments		\$247,000.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>		
Lands and Buildings (Fire Station)	150,000.00	
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	35,000.00	
Tax Maps	3,500.00	
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Total Outlay Payments		\$188,500.00
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>		
Taxes Paid to County	32,770.11	
Payments to School Districts (1975 Tax		
\$215,163.65) (1976 Tax \$233,000.00)	448,163.65	
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Div.		\$480,933.76
<b>Total Payments for All Purposes</b>		\$1,834,017.23
Cash on Hand December 31, 1976 - (June 30, 1977)		52,683.81
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Grand Total		\$1,886,701.04

# Detailed Statement Of Appropriations and Expenditures

## Town Officers' Salaries

	Receipts	
Appropriation		\$ 7,050.00
		\$ 7,050.00
	Expenditures	
Selectmen's Salaries		\$ 1,875.00
Oversee of Welfare		200.00
Town Treasurer		600.00
Town Trustees		75.00
Town Clerk's Salary		300.00
Town Clerk's Fees		1,819.60
Tax Collector's Salary		1,528.86
Deputy Tax Collector's Salary		493.89
Balance		157.65
		\$ 7,050.00

## Town Officers' Expense

	Receipts	
Appropriation		\$16,026.00
Revenues		1,370.48
		\$17,396.48
	Expenditures	
Clerical		\$ 5,788.17
Expenses		966.00
Supplies and Equipment		2,329.22
Telephone		517.26
Postage		313.11
Dues, Subscriptions, Miscellaneous		305.02
Town Clerk Expenses		438.68
Tax Collector Expenses		574.49
Audit		2,650.00
Maintenance of Equipment		223.90
Register of Deeds		293.10
Printing and Stationery		1,916.41
Stevens Land Transfer		---
Balance		1,081.12
		\$17,396.48

## Election and Registration

	Receipts	
Appropriation		\$ 1,910.00
Revenue		4.47
		\$ 1,914.47

	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Moderator		\$	100.00
Supervisor			485.30
Ballot Clerks			612.95
Janitor			27.00
Printing			379.36
Labor			37.72
Lunch			121.71
Balance			150.43
			<hr/>
			\$ 1,914.47
<b>Town Buildings</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$	4,500.00
			<hr/>
			\$ 4,500.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Labor		\$	1,170.02
Materials and Supplies			631.14
Rent			---
Utilities			1,002.13
Fuel			532.45
Balance			1,164.26
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			\$ 4,500.00
<b>Social Security &amp; Police Retirement</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$	4,608.00
Revenue			752.53
			<hr/>
			\$ 5,360.53
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$	5,720.72
Less: Overdraft			360.19
			<hr/>
			\$ 5,360.53
<b>Trees</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$	250.00
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			\$ 250.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$	195.12
Balance			54.88
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			\$ 250.00

**Forest Fires**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 500.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 500.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 239.13	
Balance		260.87	
		<hr/>	\$ 500.00

**Old Age Assistance**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 4,500.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 4,500.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 5,957.50	
Less: Overdraft		1,457.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 4,500.00

**Patriotic Purposes**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 275.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 275.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 263.00	
Balance		12.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 275.00

**Parks and Recreation**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$13,100.00	
Revenue		556.00	
		<hr/>	\$13,656.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$12,654.71	
Balance		1,001.29	
		<hr/>	\$13,656.00

**Tennis Courts - Federal**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 1,700.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,700.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Balance		\$ 1,700.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,700.00

**Memorial Park - Federal**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>	
			\$ 2,000.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 645.50	
Balance		<u>1,354.50</u>	
			\$ 2,000.00

**Memorial Park - Utilities**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 175.00</u>	
			\$ 175.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 157.24	
Balance		<u>17.76</u>	
			\$ 175.00

**Insurance**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$10,325.00	
Revenues		<u>1,205.33</u>	
			\$11,530.33
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Accident and Health-Life			
Employees		\$ 4,214.22	
Fires, Liability, Etc.		6,505.97	
Bonds		664.00	
Balance		<u>146.14</u>	
			\$11,530.33

**Town Clerk**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 25.00</u>	
			\$ 25.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Balance		<u>\$ 25.00</u>	
			\$ 25.00

**Tax Mapping**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	
			\$ 5,000.00

	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 3,500.00	
Balance		1,500.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Planning Board</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 300.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 300.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 219.38	
Balance		80.62	
		<hr/>	\$ 300.00
<b>Street Signs</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 400.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 400.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 240.00	
Balance		160.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 400.00
<b>Bicentennial Committee</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 500.00	
Revenue		1,120.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,620.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 1,620.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,620.00
<b>Interest</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$42,280.00	
		<hr/>	\$42,280.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Flood Note		\$ 54.44	
Tax Anticipation Note		4,619.79	
Sewer Bond		36,080.00	
Balance		1,525.77	
		<hr/>	\$42,280.00

**Bonded Debt**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$47,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$47,000.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Sewer Bond		\$40,000.00	
Electric Note		7,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$47,000.00

**Capital Reserve**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$35,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$35,000.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Highway Equipment		\$ 5,000.00	
Fire Truck		10,000.00	
Fire Station		20,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$35,000.00

**Yearly Valuation**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriations		\$ 1,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 773.21	
Balance		226.79	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00

**Lakes Region Association**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 52.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 52.50
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 52.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 52.50

**Legal Expense**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 1,100.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,100.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Fees		\$ 767.38	
Miscellaneous Expense		64.17	



Balance		268.45	
			\$ 1,100.00
<b>Care of Cemeteries</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 150.00	
			\$ 150.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 127.59	
Balance		22.41	
			\$ 150.00
<b>Civil Defense</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 300.00	
			\$ 300.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 28.00	
Balance		272.00	
			\$ 300.00
<b>Health</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 6,698.75	
			\$ 6,698.75
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Officer, Salary		\$ 100.00	
Expense		25.00	
Ambulance		3,944.25	
Home Health		2,629.50	
			\$ 6,698.75
<b>Vital Statistics</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 200.00	
			\$ 200.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 42.75	
Balance		157.25	
			\$ 200.00

**Sanitary Landfill**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 7,723.00	
			\$ 7,723.00

	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Maintenance and Parts		\$ 2,039.44	
Labor		5,166.37	
Diesel Fuel		488.36	
Utilities		441.38	
License		25.00	
Less: Overdraft		437.55	
			\$ 7,723.00

**Street Resurfacing - Oiling**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 6,200.00	
			\$ 6,200.00

	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 6,243.50	
Less: Overdraft		43.50	
			\$ 6,200.00

**Town - Road Aid**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 399.83	
			\$ 399.83

	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 399.83	
			\$ 399.83

**Town Welfare**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00	
Revenue		768.85	
			\$ 3,268.85

	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 1,417.35	
Balance		1,851.50	
			\$ 3,268.85

**Police Department**

	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$31,038.00	

Revenue		243.84	
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			\$31,281.84
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Chief's Salary		\$10,485.66	
Assistant Salary		8,103.83	
Special Officers		2,831.45	
Cruiser Expense		4,348.04	
Uniform Allowance		248.08	
Telephone		1,038.04	
Supplies		609.09	
Office Help		2,656.53	
Postage, Prisoners, Other Expenses		332.88	
School		50.00	
Fuel		208.92	
N.H. Humane Society		400.00	
Radio Dispatch		500.00	
Radio Maintenance		141.98	
Less: Overdraft		672.66	
			<hr/>
			\$31,281.84
<b>Highway Department</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$46,912.00	
Revenue		7,554.16	
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			\$54,466.16
Approval-Culvert Revenue Administration and Budget Committee		\$ 2,000.00	
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			\$56,466.16
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Labor		\$26,593.66	
Parts and Maintenance		4,259.13	
Gravel		178.45	
Equipment Hire		1,449.67	
Kerosene		---	
Gasoline		7,068.38	
Diesel Fuel		356.51	
Tires		307.85	
Supplies		799.70	
Signs and Paint		671.05	
Salt		5,378.17	
Lubrication Supply		334.74	
Cold Patch		1,849.76	
Sidewalk Maintenance		400.00	
Culverts		1,000.00	
Fuel		1,477.62	
River Shoring		2,311.25	
Balance		30.22	
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			\$54,466.16

Culvert Revenue Administration and Budget Committee Approval	\$ 1,899.67	
Balance	100.33	
	<hr/>	\$56,466.16

**Fire Department**

	<b>Receipts</b>	
Appropriation	\$28,286.83	
Revenue	451.50	
	<hr/>	\$28,738.33

	<b>Expenditures</b>	
Firemen's Salaries	\$ 5,616.50	
Firewards	300.00	
Janitor	400.00	
Fireward Expense	38.70	
New Equipment	6,601.41	
Maintenance of Equipment	1,587.19	
Hydrant Care	486.75	
Telephone	408.96	
Fire School - Training	270.07	
Books, Physical, Miscellaneous	215.15	
Insurance	1,929.17	
Fuel	2,405.86	
Lights and Power	424.24	
Gasoline	354.09	
Mutual Aid	2,046.89	
Lakes Region Mutual Aid	50.00	
Inspector's Fees	35.00	
Janitor Supplies	99.59	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	5,468.32	
Balance	.44	
	<hr/>	\$28,738.33

**Firehouse Construction**

	<b>Receipts</b>	
Appropriation	\$150,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$150,000.00

	<b>Expenditures</b>	
Committed	\$150,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$150,000.00

**Lakes Region Planning**

	<b>Receipts</b>	
Appropriation	\$ 1,078.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,078.00

Expended	<b>Expenditures</b>	\$ 1,078.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,078.00
<b>Street Lights</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 4,170.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 4,170.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Street Lights		\$ 4,000.00	
No. Ashland Street Lights		172.53	
Less: Overdraft		2.53	
		<hr/>	\$ 4,170.00
<b>Libraries</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 3,800.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 3,800.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Expended		\$ 3,800.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 3,800.00
<b>Plans - Fire Station</b>			
	<b>Receipts</b>		
Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00
	<b>Expenditures</b>		
Balance		\$ 1,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00

# Payroll Record

## 1976

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Willis H. Holland	\$ 10,334.84
Pahl E. Sharrow, Sr.	7,930.56
Mark W. Ober	7,819.90
James D. Godville	812.65
Russell A. Monroe	5,879.74
Thomas E. Marsh	14,605.99
Thomas G. Glidden	4,975.20
Wayne L. Hughes	14,710.93
Arthur H. Prince	10,742.30
Joyce M. Bavis	7,065.46
Arlene L. Mills	6,532.96
Lena B. Hickey	6,337.63
Rosemarie McNamara	2,963.39
Ernest A. Paquette	8,703.32
Kenneth R. Guyotte	8,103.83
Josephine A. Brown	2,355.20
Ralph Beaman	778.13
Lorraine L. Paquette	189.00
Francis McNamara	115.50
Elmer L. Marsh	214.00
Robert F. Berry	1,289.64
Edward N. Doggett	650.00
Ernest J. Paquette	700.00
Harold V. Buckman	625.00
Roy McNeil	293.35
Nancy Straw	200.00
Glenn W. Bricker, M.D.	100.00
Beverly Y. LaBrique	284.15
Thomas W. Glidden	500.00
Lothrop M. Forbush	405.50
Lawson Glidden, Jr.	500.00
Guy L. Leavitt	161.20
Leonard Duguay	25.00
Richard Ogden	137.00
Dr. John Reeve	25.00
Marion K. Merrill	2,162.35
Beverly J. Fox	1,421.63
Brian A. Whatley	1,007.21
Cherilynn J. Proulx	463.45
Mark E. Bourgoine	133.75
Peter Schelle	493.00
Ronald G. Shaw	287.30
Jenifer J. Brook	165.60
Janice H. Bass	391.00

Mildred Potter	189.00
Diane L. Young	290.00
Louella Gray	348.00
Althea Garger	180.00
Daniel Brook	376.05
Michael Duclos	243.80
Leo Duclos	526.70
Jeffrey Uhlman	73.60
Kenneth Morrell	82.80
Norman Lyford	650.00
Steven Burrows	471.13
Harold Avery	179.70
Henry C. Bates	204.90
Stephen Uhlman	155.30
Richard Cross	36.80
J. Kenneth Forbes	24.40
John C. Hughes	191.80
Harold Brunt	92.00
Dean Marcroft	221.10
William Randlett	84.10
Haven B. Heath	131.40
Kenneth Cilley	68.50
Robert Duclos	161.30
David Barney	128.10
John Barney	46.10
Russell Kydd, Jr.	100.00
Arland Sawyer	163.10
Paul Beadle	48.70
Raymond Burke, Sr.	215.80
Dennis Parrington	96.10
Albert P. Blake	209.90
Leroy Huckins	75.70
Peter Francesco	93.60
Stanley Beard	181.80
Elliott Dupuis	193.00
Norman Marsh	666.90
Carlton Abear	44.30
Chester Burrows	49.10
Clarence Jordan	203.70
Larry Matthews	63.00
Louise Brock	156.40
Joan Doggett	71.30
Brice Buckman	66.70
Bertha St. Arnauld	66.70
Adrienne Sanborn	39.10
Eleanor Lyford	27.60
Elizabeth Weden	34.50
Kenneth Avery	27.00
Henry T. Silva, III	143.25
Guy L. Magoon	1,913.12
Sandra Magoon	84.93
Dale V. Ashby	4,118.40
Henry D. Ahern, Jr.	335.00

Thomas W. Heinz	467.75
David Pickering	27.00
Richard Calley	39.00
Thomas Goulart	36.00
Alfred Burbank, Jr.	24.00
John G. Horgan	31.50
Robert J. O'Brien	54.00
David Comeau	72.00
Bruce A. Knowlton	193.05
Leonard Brace, Sr.	212.43
Rena Brace	610.53
Frances M. Platt	1,104.00
Clara M. Cilley	1,104.00
Clara M. Hinds	66.70
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Total Payroll	\$ 152,278.90



# Revenue Sharing Actual Use Report

JUNE 30, 1976

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Balance, June 30, 1975	\$ 133.00
Receipts	23,520.00
Interest Earned	531.00
Total Amount Expended	<u>24,184.00</u>
Balance, June 30, 1976	0.00

# Highway Department

## 1976

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This year many projects have been completed. Our department made extensive plans in the spring and are pleased with the results of the improvements to our roads. These projects are as follows:

We applied 12,000 gallons of oil for our summer oiling program. The roads and footage oiled are as follows:

16,565 feet - North Ashland Road (Calley Road)  
700 feet - Morton Road  
2,314 feet - Collins Street  
1,600 feet - West Street

A four foot culvert was replaced on Thompson Street to aid the flow of drainage and to alleviate the stress and erosion created on the banks.

With the construction of the Fire Department building, it became necessary to remove the wall on the Mill Street side, which enabled us to widen this street.

The Squam River on the Paper Mill Road side was causing erosion. The Highway Department with the aid of the State Water Resources Board rip-rapped that side 500 feet by 60 feet to prevent further erosion.

We assisted the Sanitary Department on Depot Street on their sewer repairs.

We cut a right-of-way along the 1500 feet of Owl Brook to a depth of 50 feet to let us rebuild 1500 feet of Owl Brook Road with TRA funds. The 1977 TRA funds will be used to surface this 1500 feet.

Lines were painted on Main Street with assistance from the Police Chief. Previously graveled roads were filled in with gravel where necessary and graded.

Several large trees were removed beside streets with the aid of the Ashland Electric Department and more new street signs were installed. Most bad spots on sidewalks were repaired with hot top. There are still some to be done this spring.

We also assisted the Parks & Recreation Commission filling and grading the beach parking lot and filled the bad erosion on the town beach with sand.

We wish to thank every member of our community for their help and thoughtfulness this year. We welcome your ideas and suggestions on any improvements for our Highway Department.

Willis H. Holland  
Highway Agent

# Ashland Electric Department

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## RECEIPTS

Appropriation \$530,075.00

## EXPENDITURES

Customers Deposits	\$ 2,523.05
Substation	18,595.78
Distribution of Poles	5,253.31
Distribution - Overhead Conductors	1,151.77
Distribution - Secondary Conductors	1,764.14
Transformers - Line	602.56
Customers Meters	505.14
Street Light Equipment	379.68
Office Equipment	19.99
General Tools and Equipment	1,236.71
Power Purchased	341,350.85
Superintendence	2,699.21
Maintenance - Structures & Equipment	1,053.19
Substation Expense	265.21
Maintenance - Distribution	3,384.59
Maintenance - Primary Highline	2,641.53
Maintenance - Secondary & Services	3,083.17
Maintenance - Trees & Right of Way	572.46
Maintenance - Meters & Transformers	792.98
Maintenance - Street Lights	799.14
Customer Meter Reading & Collection	2,876.46
Telephone, Postage, Misc.	1,416.46
Billing & Accounting	7,251.98
General Office Salary	3,567.60
Fuel	530.64
Maintenance - Structures & Equipment	85.00
Office Supply, General	633.84
Insurance, Accident, Health	2,207.14
Stores, Shop	692.19
Truck and Skyworker Expense	1,857.29
Rental - Lines	272.00
Taxes, Social Security	1,993.38
In Lieu of Taxes	12,000.00
Engineering Fees	3,676.84
Commissioners Salary	1,000.00

New Construction	12,753.55	
Accounts Payable	410.18	
Balance	88,175.99	
		\$530,075.00

### SUMMARY

Balance in Checking Account 12-31-76	\$ (4,507.00)	
Savings Account 1-1-76	132,140.85	
Interest Earned 12-31-76	10,313.71	
		\$137,947.56

### ASHLAND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT 1976

This past year 16,000 feet of three phase line was upgraded prior to stringing wire. The substation was upgraded with the installation of a 2500 KVA three phase transformer and a three phase recloser.

Because of the complexity of rate increases in Purchased Power this past year, it became necessary to have a rate study undertaken, and it is planned to implement the new schedule this year.

It is regretful that Guy L. Leavitt passed away while serving as Utility Commissioner, and we welcome Mr. Lothrop Forbush as a Utility Commissioner.

Thomas E. Marsh  
Superintendent

# Ashland Water Department

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## RECEIPTS

Appropriations	\$ 33,280.00
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	\$ 33,280.00

## EXPENDITURES

Intangible Property	\$ 4,192.21
New Services	78.90
Other New Equipment	19.99
Superintendence	1,616.28
Source of Supply	484.95
Purification - Labor Chlorinator	1,794.75
Power Purchased	206.57
Repairs - Water Structure	93.61
Repairs - Purification Structures	165.80
Repairs - Mains	78.40
Repairs - Services	632.04
Repairs - Hydrants	530.00
Repairs - Meters	238.97
Reading Meters	218.30
Salaries - Office Clerk	2,536.81
General Expense	1,100.96
Insurance	979.18
Stationery & Printing	344.40
Stores & Shop Expense	382.05
Truck Expense	298.33
Social Security Tax	695.55
Fuel	266.29
Commissioner's Salary	500.00
Chlorine	392.00
Balance	15,433.66
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	\$ 33,280.00

## SUMMARY

Balance in Checking Account 12-31-76	\$10,579.86
Balance in Savings 1-1-76	35,379.26
Interest Earned 1976	2,021.30
Transfer to Savings from Checking	14,000.00
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Total Cash in Banks 12-31-76	\$61,980.42

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## WATER REPORT

1976

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During 1976, we had two new Water service connections and used

48,393,333 gallons of water this past year.

The Test Wells we engineered during 1975 were test pumped in October. We plan to test pump again in April, 1977, for water quality. This will give us a comparison study during two different seasons. A new piping system in town has been laid out to correlate with these test wells.

Wayne L. Hughes  
Superintendent

# Ashland Sanitary Department

## RECEIPTS

Appropriations	\$66,430.00
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	\$66,430.00

## EXPENDITURES

### Sewer

New Mains and Manholes	\$ 12.20
New Equipment	19.99
Superintendent	890.00
Helper's Salary	485.15
Supplies and Expense	55.39
Ejector Sta. Equip. and Maint.	1,432.25
Power Ejector Station	181.11
Repairs to Meters	196.72
Meter Reading	204.00
Repairs - Manholes and Mains	9,044.15
Grit Chamber	42.80
Office Clerk's Salary	1,748.92
Office Sta. Printing Supply	749.64
Insurance	533.60
Social Security Taxes	631.14
Truck Expense	441.92
Fuel	276.72

### Plant

Treatment Plant - Land - Road	\$ 1,304.69
New Equipment	2,470.25
Superintendence	1,246.05
Helper's Salary	720.80
Chlorine	1,020.00
Fuel	133.67
Hydrogen Chloride Gas	1,436.01
Plant Supplies and Expenses	1,473.19
Plant Structure and Equip. Maint.	7,850.21
Laboratory	2,412.38
Electric-Power Plant	18,203.57
Office Clerk's Salary	1,421.34
Telephone	407.82
Office Sta. - Printing, Postage	767.90
Insurance	489.41
Social Security Taxes	631.14

Maintenance Outside	1,857.35	
Truck Expense	399.79	
Balance	5,238.73	
		\$66,430.00

**SUMMARY**

Balance in Checking Account 12-31-76	\$15,357.16	
Balance in Savings Account 1-1-76	30,504.48	
Transferred from Checking to Savings	5,000.00	
Interest Earned	1,995.53	
		\$52,857.17
Total Cash in Bank 12-31-76	\$52,857.17	

**Sanitary Department**

The flow of sewerage during the year 1976 was 150,956,000 gallons and we used 7,292 pounds of chlorine.

In 1976, we were involved in a major repair of our Sanitary Main on Depot Street. We installed 460 feet of eight inch sewer pipe to replace six inch pipe. The small pipe was blocking up and backing into homes.

Wayne L. Hughes, Superintendent



# Ashland Sewer Project

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Balance in Savings Banks, January 1, 1976	\$ 104,197.07
Interest Earned 1976	8,072.22
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Balance in Savings Banks, December 31, 1976	\$ 112,269.29

## Federal Disaster Flood Account

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### Receipts

Balance on Hand 12-31-76	\$ 469.15
Federal Reimbursements	40,736.00
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Total Receipts	\$41,205.15
Total Expenditures	41,205.15
Balance on Hand 12-31-76	0.00
Balance paid by Town of Ashland, N. H.	\$ 19,000.00
Balance due 12-31-76 from Federal Emergency Funds	19,000.00

**TOWN OF ASHLAND**  
**STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**  
**As of December 31, 1976**

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*Sewer Bonds*  
*(State Guaranteed)*  
*4.4 percent*

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Amount of Original Issue	\$ 1,100,000.00
Date of Issue	September 1, 1968
Principal Payroll Date	September 1st
Interest Payable Date	March 1st and September 1st

Payable at	<i>Boston Safe Deposit</i> <i>Trust Company, Boston, Mass.</i>
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<i>Maturities —</i>	<i>— Total —</i>	
<i>Fiscal Year Ending:</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
December 31, 1976	40,000.00	36,080.00
December 31, 1977	40,000.00	34,320.00
December 31, 1978	40,000.00	32,560.00
December 31, 1979	35,000.00	30,800.00
December 31, 1980	35,000.00	29,260.00
December 31, 1981	35,000.00	27,720.00
December 31, 1982	35,000.00	26,180.00
December 31, 1983	35,000.00	24,640.00
December 31, 1984	35,000.00	23,100.00
December 31, 1985	35,000.00	21,560.00
December 31, 1986	35,000.00	20,020.00
December 31, 1987	35,000.00	18,480.00
December 31, 1988	35,000.00	16,940.00
December 31, 1989	35,000.00	15,400.00
December 31, 1990	35,000.00	13,860.00
December 31, 1991	35,000.00	12,320.00
December 31, 1992	35,000.00	10,780.00
December 31, 1993	35,000.00	9,240.00
December 31, 1994	35,000.00	7,700.00
December 31, 1995	35,000.00	6,160.00
December 31, 1996	35,000.00	4,620.00
December 31, 1997	35,000.00	3,080.00
December 31, 1998	35,000.00	1,540.00
	\$820,000.00	\$426,360.00

# Town Deeds List

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Description	Recorded at: Woodsville			
Ashland Bathing Beach - Leavitt Hill Rd.	Vol.	863;	Pg.	431
Easement - Water Main Extension- Thompson St. (Norman)	Book	815;	Pg.	279
Town Dump - New Hampton Rd.	Vol.	110;	Pg.	561
Playground deeds: No. Main St.				
Sullivan	Lib.	562;	Fol.	119
Spaulding	Book	826;	Pg.	71
Kilpatrick	Lib.	969;	Fol.	156
Brown	Book	770;	Pg.	328
Firemen's Hall and land-S. Main Hillside Ave.	Lib.	425;	Fol.	82
Road to Cross-Gray Property-off River St.	Vol.	959;	Pg.	75
Land - Between Beatrice Hill's & Squam River - River St.	Lib.	471;	Fol.	126
Cottage Place	Lib.	939;	Fol.	225
	Lib.	973;	Pg.	358
Water Works Deed	Book	92;	Pg.	304
Sawmill Property (See partial sale to Squam Lakes Association 8-66)	Book	480;	Pg.	1
Electric Company purchase	Lib.	541;	Pg.	484
Substation Right-of-way - Hussey Land	Lib.	1003;	Fol.	10
Cote-Gould Land - Collins St.	Lib.	1016;	Fol.	222
Spaulding Land - No. Main St.	Lib.	1032;	Fol.	378
Main Street Deed	Lib.	661;	Fol.	84
	<b>Grafton County</b>			
Hill Terrace	Lib.	664;	Fol.	79
Flag Area - Main - River Sts.	Lib.	658;	Fol.	267
Triangle of land at Collins St. Bridge	Lib.	1077;	Fol.	598
	<b>Belknap County</b>			
Jackson Pond - Berry Land	Vol.	92;	Pg.	321
			&	322
Jackson Pond - Smith Land	Book	89;	Pg.	4
Jackson Pond - Flowage & Drainage Rights	Book	92;	Pg.	339
			&	340
Reservoir - Plaisted land - right-of-way for main	Book	336;	Pg.	526
Reservoir Road and right-of-way - Plaisted	Book	104;	Pg.	387
Reservoir Road and right-of-way - Berry	Book	104;	Pg.	388
Jackson Pond - Thompson land - flowage &				

Drainage Rights	Vol.	92;	Pg.	272
Jackson Pond - Smith Land	Vol.	92;	Pg.	270
			&	271
Town clock Deed	Recorded Town Clerk Book - May 22, 1894			
Knapp Property - No. Main Street	Lib.	1087;	Fol.	510
Marine Land - Corner River - Main Sts.	Lib.	1099;	Fol.	430
Sirles Land - Main St.	Lib.	1099;	Fol.	429
Whipple Property - Pleasant St.	Lib.	1120;	Fol.	106
Land Fill Property	Lib.	1142;	Fol.	551
Towne Property - So Main St.	Lib.	1204;	Fol.	415
Town Hall Deed	Book	319;	Pg.	514
Scribner Memorial Library	Vol.	146;	Pg.	122
Luff Land - Intersection at So. Main and Mill Sts.	Lib.	1267;	Fol.	264

# Trustees of Trust Funds Annual Report 1976

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After the 1976 town meeting was gavelled adjourned, the town had new trustees to administer the Capital Reserve Funds, Common Trust Fund, and Trust Funds.

The trustees have found through the years that there were no formal books kept: only annual reports that are required by the state. These had been filed and copies retained by the town.

Starting this year, along with our annual report you will find in the town office, a set of books which outline the transactions throughout the year.

There have never been any formal guide lines for the trustees to follow in transacting their business. We have established a written set of guide lines that we hope will be passed in this year's town warrant.

Last year the town voted to establish a capital reserve fund for the reconstruction of school buildings. This was taken care of by establishing another savings account with the Meredith Village Savings Bank for the sum voted upon at the town meeting.

At the close of the 1976 fiscal year, the trustees have all accounts present and-or accounted for.

Trustees,  
Trust Funds

# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS - ASHLAND, N.H., DECEMBER 31, 1976

Date	Name	Purpose	Meredith Village Savings Bank- Book No.	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Balance End Year	Income during Year	Expended during Year	Balance End Year
1930	Thompson Cemetery	Cemetery Care	12058	\$ 200.00	\$	\$	\$ 200.00	\$ 13.92	\$	\$ 68.37
1951	Capital Reserve	Reconst. of Water System	26066	2,113.74			2,113.74	244.41		2,601.61
1951	Capital Reserve	Reconst. Elect. System	26065	4,167.29			4,167.29	428.41		4,097.37
1951	Capital Reserve	Purchase Fire Truck	26064	17,055.61	10,000.00		27,055.61	1,082.40		3,615.42
1962	Capital Reserve	Highway Department	30348	3,700.00	5,000.00		8,700.00	270.00		1,408.75
1971	Capital Reserve	Fire House	39966	48,000.00	20,000.00	68,000.00	4,276.75	2,702.63	5,000.00	1,979.38
1966	Crimmins & Berry	Stone work Only	33269	1,331.38			1,331.38	73.38	79.32	
1974	Cheney	Library Books	6263	500.00			500.00	38.38	38.38	
1926	Ordway	Library Books	6263	1,391.88			1,391.88	115.14	115.14	108.12
1976	Capital Reserve	Reconst. of School Bldg.	46835		5,000.00		5,000.00	211.15		211.15
				<u>\$78,459.90</u>	<u>\$40,000.00</u>	<u>\$68,000.00</u>	<u>\$50,459.90</u>	<u>\$5,179.82</u>	<u>\$5,232.84</u>	<u>\$14,090.17</u>
Common Trust Funds				\$ 8,728.36			\$ 8,728.36	\$ 39.12	\$ 479.53	\$ 518.65

## Report of Common Trust Funds

Common Trust Funds Cemetery Perpetual Care NA1697

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date February 8, 1977

Trustees

John S. Reeve, DDS  
Leonard F. Duguay  
Richard Ogden



Circulation 1976		Books Loaned	
Adults	1383	Adults	3118
Juveniles	682	Juveniles	1581

#### Librarians Petty Cash Report

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1976	\$ 12.25	
Received for fines and books sold	26.56	
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#### Expenditures:

Postage	\$ 12.20	
Supplies	4.92	
Books	12.70	
Transport of books	2.00	
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1976		\$ 6.99

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES' REPORT — 1976

The library observed our bicentennial year with needlework and crafts dating from the 1800's through the present. These crafts have been displayed in our Arts & Crafts room and in the main room also. At this time the trustees would like to thank all who loaned articles for display. We hope that these crafts displays have been enjoyed by all who have seen them.

National Library Week and Children's Book Week were observed with special displays of new books.

The cataloging of the library is nearly complete and we consider this an additional asset.

New books are being added as rapidly as funds permit and special requests are filled if possible. The library has a good selection of magazines which are available to all who wish to borrow them.

Throughout the year books have been given to the library and we wish to thank all those who gave them.

A special note of appreciation is given to our librarians for their willingness to help by giving extra time to our library projects.

The trustees wish to extend their regrets to the L. W. Packard family in their loss. Mrs. Packard was a trustee of the library for many years and gave many years of devoted service and time.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Marsh, Chairman  
Grace Marcroft  
Anita Gray



# Report of the Bicentennial Committee

The year 1976 saw the climax of the Bicentennial observance in a grand Fourth of July celebration. In Ashland, the holiday has been in competent hands for several years. The Fourth of July Committee, led by Deborah Luff and Kathleen Marsh, again arranged a fine parade and weekend of festivities. The Ashland Fire Department and Dupuis - Cross Legion Post put on an entertaining carnival. The Historical Society mounted an interesting exhibit of Ashland artifacts and, with the Bicentennial Committee, sponsored a photography contest.

On Saturday, July 31, the Committee sponsored a day of art exhibits and performances by Caravan '76, a traveling production of the Department of Speech and Drama of the University of New Hampshire. The Chamber of Commerce organized an arts and crafts festival and sidewalk sale for the same day. Unfortunately, rain interfered at times, but many enjoyed this joint event in Memorial Park and along Main Street.

In late spring, the Woman's Club held a Bicentennial Ball with prizes for appropriate costumes.

Most of the Committee's time and money was spent on projects of a more permanent nature. July saw the publication of *New Holderness in the Revolution*, written by Doris Tatham and illustrated by James Rollins, the first book to tell the history of Ashland in the Revolution. The contributions of many local businesses and individuals were instrumental in financing this publication.

The Beautification Committee surpassed its goal of 200 new trees and shrubs on Ashland's streets by an additional 200 plants. The Bicentennial Committee received a matching grant of \$1,000 from the New Hampshire American Revolution Bicentennial Commission for a landscaping project at the town hall and the erection of a monument to the Revolutionary soldiers of Ashland and Holderness. The town's appropriation of \$500 was applied to this permanent improvement of town property.

This spring the Bicentennial Committee will complete its work with the dedication of the monument and the burial of a time capsule.

Many people have contributed to Ashland's Bicentennial celebration. There is simply not enough space to name all who have given time, labor, money, materials, and support to these events and projects. So I can only close this final report by thanking, on behalf of the Committee, all who have helped in this great celebration.

Respectfully submitted,  
David L. Ruell, Chairman

# Pemi-Baker Home-Health Agency

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## 1976 REPORT TO MEMBER TOWN

The Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency, Inc. is a non-profit organization (Inc. 7-17-67), supported in part by an annual appropriation in the budget of each member town. The Board of Directors is made up of an appointed member from each town; ministerial representative; nurses and a physician. Its purpose is to provide part-time nursing service in the home, under the supervision of a licensed physician. A Medical Advisory Committee determines and approves medical policies for nursing care and interprets the Agency's services to the public.

There is a standard fee covering each visit. Patients are expected to pay this fee if they are able to. However, under certain conditions fees can be adjusted to reflect the financial ability of the patient, by the Agency Nurse.

The scope of care of the Agency ranges from new-borns to the elderly. The agency is equipped to handle Medicare; Blue Cross-Blue Shield '65', Medicaid and private patients.

The nurses work on a salary basis and all fees are turned over to the Agency. They are on duty Monday - Friday, from eight to four. There are two full-time RN's, one part-time RN and two Homemaker-Home Health Aides.

The office is staffed by a part time secretary Health bookkeeper. She is available Monday - Friday to answer any calls. The telephone number is 536-2232. For your convenience, when there is no one in the office, the Agency has installed a Codaphone to receive any messages.

Anyone living in one of the eleven member towns may ask for a visit from the Nurse. However, treatment and continuing care can be provided for a patient only under doctor's orders.

Under the supervision of the Agency Nurse, a Homemaker Home Health Aide service is now available through this Agency. This service is a community-wide program designed to place a trained, responsible worker in the home where illness, disability or other problems may threaten normal family living.

Service cost to your town, not covered by any other payment source, that is sustained by the agency: \$1931.80

Blood Pressure Free Clinics is available for your town the third Thursday of each month.

The Agency has an automatic new baby visit upon receipt of birth notices, to all new mothers and to other mothers who are having health difficulties, or other problems.

The Agency has been working in close association with Sceva Speare Memorial Hospital Discharge Coordinator to better serve the towns, by

obtaining referrals from them to give continuity of care to patients.

Our Part-Time RN is now working twenty hours a week more than in 1975 for a total of 26 hours. This gives the Agency 106 hours weekly for available nursing care.

A Swine Flu Clinic was held November 2nd for all Agency Towns —  
Cost of Agency: \$1200.00+ Attendance: 2,884 people.

It has been this Agency's pleasure to serve your community.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise A. Brock  
Town Representative

# Pemi-Baker Home-Health Agency

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Number of calls made in Ashland 668

Registered Nurse	553
Home Health Aide	46
Homemaker	69

For service call Plymouth 536-2232

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The town owns a hospital bed, wheel chairs, walker, and crutches, to be loaned out.

Please return these articles promptly, when not in use, so they may be available to others.

Louise Brock, Tel. 968-3383  
Town Representative

# Overseer of Public Welfare

Report for 1976

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As prices go up for food, fuel, rent, etc., there has been a great demand for welfare. Many have been laid off.

We have helped a great deal of people waiting to get their food stamps. A lot of people have to pay a large deposit for rent which leaves them short for food.

You can call 968-7131 for information regarding food stamps.

We hope this coming year will be better.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Nancy Straw  
Overseer of Public Welfare

# Report of the N. H. Humane Society

November 1976

Office of the Selectmen  
Town of Ashland  
Ashland, N. H.

Gentlemen:

For the coming year, 1977, the New Hampshire Humane Society offers the Town of Ashland an Animal Control Agreement which will provide your animal control officer and town residents with an excellent community service. Our budget appreciation request for 1977 is \$450.

In January, the Society will supply you with complete figures on the number of stray and unwanted animals brought to its shelter during 1976.

After your town meeting, please sign and return one copy of the Animal Control Agreement to the Society.

Sincerely,

Fritz T. Sabbow  
Executive Director

# Report of the N. H. Humane Society 1976

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Brought to Shelter in 1976

Officer - Animal Control

Dogs and pups	20
Cats and Kittens	9
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	29

By Ashland Residents:

Dogs and pups	58
Cats and Kittens	61
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	119

Total number of dogs, pups, cats, and kittens from the Town of Ashland, N. H.	148
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# Ashland Police Department

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## To the Citizens of Ashland:

Another year has passed and the Department has shown great improvement. It has been our pleasure to serve the people of Ashland and hope that we can continue to do so this year. The Department has carried on very well without any interdepartmental problems. Even though we have not published a weekly report, I feel that the people have been informed as to what has gone on. In checking last year's records with the year 1976, I find that we have had a considerable drop of violations in many areas. I contribute some of this to the good help of the young people and citizens of Ashland. I also believe that our change in the work schedule and our various hours of being out and around have also helped. It has been my feelings that in a small town such as ours, the Chief of Police should not only work days but put in some night work to see just what is going on. Since I took over as Chief, I have had a work schedule which has been rotating - the day shift and the night shift - between Sgt. Guyotte and myself.

Sgt. Guyotte has certainly performed his duties well and that is why I requested his promotion. Our secretary, Mrs. Brown, has done a fine job taking care of the office and keeping our files in order. Our Special Police Officers certainly do a good job with the training they have and time they have to give us.

In the near future, we will be having a drug program, which is being sponsored by some of the business men of Ashland. I believe this will be a very educational program and hope that the people will take the time to attend it.

I would like to point out at this time, that a Police Officer's job covers many areas. Too many times people think that all we have to do is take care of their demands and be on the spot when a vehicle is parked wrong or going down a street too fast. I often wonder if they stop to think of the many times we assist the old and the young. We are called upon to do many chores which sometimes are not the most rewarding. Many times we are called upon to notify people of the death of a loved one, whether it be sudden or in an automobile accident. Yes, citizens of Ashland, we have a job to do but we also have feelings. Hours mean nothing to us but sometimes it is the duties we have to perform. Again, I wish to thank everyone for their cooperation over the past year as your Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest A. Paquette  
Chief of Police



## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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Complaint Report	76
Suspicious Persons	2
Public Assist	314
Animal Complaints	56
Motor Vehicle Complaints	17
Malicious Damage	20
Property Checks	per week 20
Missing Persons	-
Burglary, Larceny and Theft	28
Departmental Assist	35
Civil Complaints	18
Misuse of Telephone	3
Breaking and Entry	16
Fire Calls	8
M. V. Accidents	18
Bad Checks	5
Burglar Alarms	15
Assaults	2
Harrassment	5
Death Notice	1
Cruelty To Animals	4
Animals to the Pound	29
Windows and Doors Found Unlocked	65
Parking Tickets Paid	33
M. V. Warnings	56

Court Cases - 1976

Assault	1
Conduct After Accident	2
Criminal Mischief	3
Criminal Solicitation	2
Crossing on a Double Line	1
Crossing on Left of Unbroken Line	6
Disorderly Conduct	12
Drinking in Public	8
Driving on Divided Highway Using Crossover	1
DWI	11
Escape	1
Failure to Keep to Right	2
Failure to Use Protective Eye Protection	1
Hit and Run Property Damage	1
Intoxication	2
Operating After Revocation	1
Operating Without a Valid License	2
Reckless Operation	2
Resisting Arrest or Detention	1
Speeding	27
Theft by Unauthorized Taking	3
Uninspected M.V.	6
Unregistered M. V.	6
Unrestrained Dog	3
Burglary	1
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Total	106

# Town of Ashland Civil Defense 1976

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The Civil Defense Director attended a defense Seminar in Colebrook, New Hampshire. The Director is no longer called a director, but is considered a coordinator. It is his or her job to unite all the existing town officials and employees into one working defense unit. He is to visit the various industries and buildings to determine possible disaster areas and with the combined team, determine the solution to these areas.

The buying of surplus materials has been done away with. Any item bought in the past for a certain purpose (so stated at the time of purchase) must be used for exactly that and nothing else.

Civil Defense, in the months ahead will be a "whole new ball game." A Civil Defense Exercise is being planned in the near future and it is hoped that all the people will cooperate fully in this new program.

Ernest Holt  
Civil Defense Coordinator

# Ashland Planning Board

Ashland, N. H.

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The year 1976 has been a sad, but fruitful one for the Ashland Planning Board. Two very dedicated members were lost this year when John Smith resigned due to ill health on March 24 after many years of service, and Royce Wilder suddenly passed away on July 31.

Clayton (Joe) Schenk was appointed to fill the Smith vacancy and Richard Folsom was appointed to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Wilder's death. Mrs. Nancy Kydd and John Hughes were appointed to full terms. Lorraine Paquette was hired as secretary for the board on September 22, following the resignation of Mary Louise Hughes. As Chairman of the Board, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the planning board members for their faithful attendance to meetings this year.

Several subdivisions were brought before the board this year, some of the more major ones being a subdivision for condominium sites by Squam Lakes Ridge, and some 20 proposed building sites by Cold Springs Properties.

In addition to its regular meetings the planning board has worked with several other agencies this year. Two members attended a five week Municipal Law Lecture Series sponsored by Lakes Region Planning Commission and the Municipal Training Consortium. The board has met with the County Soil District and worked in conjunction with the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

Lakes Region Planning Commission has helped the Town of Ashland in many ways during the past year. To name a few: assistance to the Town and School District with Public Works Applications, completion of Grafton County detailed soils mapping program, completed environmental mapping, and providing information on local housing supply and standards.

We feel we have had a very successful year in spite of the heartfelt sorrow we all experienced at the loss of our good friend and fellow member, Mr. Wilder.

Respectfully submitted

John C. Hughes  
Chairman

# Report of Building Inspector

Ashland, N. H.

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I accepted the job of Building Inspector March 8, 1976. From that date to January 1, 1977, I have issued 36 Permits; 7 for new homes, 4 for new garages, 25 for additions and repairs to existing buildings.

I have met a lot of nice people. They have all been very cooperative. I would like to thank each one for making the job a pleasant one for me.

Thank you.

Roy McNeil  
Building Inspector

# Lakes Region Planning Commission Annual Report

## Ashland

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The Lakes Region Planning Commission takes this opportunity to thank you for your interest and continued support and to indicate to you the types of assistance that have been made available to the community. Again, our primary objectives have been to support local community planning efforts, and to be of service to the Planning Board, Selectmen and other community officials.

I. **Local Assistance** - The following specific activities have been undertaken as a result of requests from the Town of Ashland:

- \* Provided assistance and information on two Public Works Applications prepared by the Town and School District.
- \* Typed and provided copies of the town Subdivision Regulations.
- \* Completed the detailed town soils mapping program in cooperation with the County Soil District.
- \* Provided information on local housing supply and standards.
- \* Preparation of plans and reports relative to community center "Urban Design at Rural Scale" project.
- \* Completed environmental mapping, i.e. prime agricultural soils, aquifer recharge areas, drainage basins and land capability.

II. **Regional Planning Programs** - In addition to the preceding, the following work has been undertaken which has a direct relationship to the Town of Ashland:

- \* Completion of an Updated Population Report.
- \* Completion of a Regional Economic Overview which identifies the economic relationship existing within the Lakes Region.
- \* Completion of a Regional Housing Report which attempts to establish housing needs on a community basis.
- \* Extensive efforts in testing and analysis in the area of Regional Water Quality.
- \* Update and revision of the Economic Profile of the Lakes Region.
- \* Co-sponsorship of a series of Planning Law Lectures held at the commission office. Attended by 50 individuals concerned with local

planning and planning administration.

- \* Sponsored a Regional Solid Waste Meeting in Meredith with emphasis on existing alternatives. Discussed the following: 1) incinerator in Plymouth, Bridgewater and Meredith; 2) proposed landfill in Danbury, the existing Ashland landfill; and 3) a proposal to utilize the railroad as a refuse carrier.

#### Ashland Representatives

NANCY KYDD

JOHN C. HUGHES

RICHARD FOLSOM, Alternate

# Report of the President of The Ashland Historical Society

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March saw the Historical Society assume legal responsibility for the Whipple House Museum by means of a lease from the town for a nominal sum. The new arrangement formalized the Society's role in the upkeep and restoration of the museum, a duty the Society has performed since the gift of the building.

Work continued on the museum and grounds with progress on several major projects; notably, the conversion of a large closet into a much needed public restroom, the refurbishment of an upstairs room for new display space, the installation of a dozen small-paned windows, and the construction of a permanent foundation for the Whitten house. Other work included painting of the fence, shed, and rear of the museum, repair and reseeding of the lawn, and tree trimming.

The Society, of course, joined in the Bicentennial celebration, sponsoring a photography contest, entering a float in the Fourth of July parade, and mounting an historical exhibit in the Baptist Church vestry on that memorable weekend. It also made important contributions to the Bicentennial Committee for the publication of the Revolutionary history and the erection of the memorial for the Revolutionary soldiers.

Other activities included the annual Flea Market and Country Fair, a bus tour to the Shaker colony at Canterbury, programs on local railroading and Ashland slides, and the yearly Christmas party at the Common Man. The Society also joined the Old Graveyards Association and established acquisition funds for the library, the Platt bedroom, and the medical collection.

Special thanks are entended to Mrs. Katharine Waring Whipple for another very generous donation, to the New Hampton Historical Society for its valuable gifts and loans, to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for the gift of foundation stones for the Whitten house, to the State of New Hampshire for the donation of the old state barn weather vane, to Winston Titus for contributions of skilled labor, to Desmond Potter for the donation of her beautiful and profitable afghan, to L. W. Packard & Company for its gifts of library equipment, and to many others who gave in various ways to help the Society in its work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary W. Ruell  
President



# Ashland Parks and Recreation 1976

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## Parks and Recreation Commission

Charlotte Brook, chairman

James Rollins  
Bruce Leonard

Grace Crowley  
Harold Proulx

## Beach Staff

Beverly Fox  
Bryan Whatley  
Ronald Shaw  
Jan Bass  
Althea Garger  
Dan Brook  
Cherie Proulx

Head Lifeguard  
Assistant Lifeguard  
Substitute Lifeguard  
Swim Instructor  
Assistant Swim Instructor  
Gate Attendant  
Gate Attendant

## Campground Staff

Roland Morrell

Director

## Playground Staff

Peter Schelle  
Louella Gray  
Diane Young  
Millie Potter  
Joe Duclos

Director  
Assistant Director  
Student Assistant  
Arts and Crafts Instructor  
Maintenance

# Annual Report Ashland Parks and Recreation Department

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Ashland continues to be an enticing community in which to live and raise a family, in part because of its excellent recreational facilities.

Many families find the summer playground program a great help in providing a wholesome morning for their children. This program is offered five days a week for a period of six weeks. This past summer the playground was well attended and efficiently managed. All ages seemed to enjoy participation in team, as well as individual sports, arts and crafts and creative activities. Although field trips were kept to a minimum because of the high cost of transportation, some trips were possible with the cooperation of interested parents.

The tennis courts are a most attractive summer recreational area. We are indeed fortunate to have this facility and should endeavor to keep it in good condition.

The town beach enjoyed a summer of constant use, because of the excellent weather. Swimming lessons proved of great value to our residents. The beach more than supported itself with the gate receipts approximately \$1,000 over the beach expenditures.

The campground ran smoothly with a competent director. With "full to capacity" campers, it showed an increased profit which helps manage our over-all recreational program.

Many improvements in the summer program certainly have been made, and with the help of all concerned citizens, more will be accomplished every year. Areas which might be explored are tennis court supervision and tennis lessons, winter recreation, and recreational activities for senior citizens.

The Recreation Commission and staff have worked most cooperatively in its effort to give you, the residents of Ashland, a happy recreational experience.

Thank you for your contribution to its success. Please support these people who will work hard for the enjoyment of all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Brook, Chairman  
Recreation Commission

# The Lakes Region Association

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Each of the 39 towns in the Lakes Region have an interest in the Lakes Region Association. We make all of our funds work for the interest of the entire region. The following table shows a breakdown of where our dollars come from and how they are spent.

## INCOME - Where the 1975-76 dollar came from :

State of New Hampshire	\$ .12
Towns and Cities	.14
Where To Book	.37
Memberships and Accommodations Directory	.06
Maps	.14
Postage	.05
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	.88
Bal. on hand beginning year	.12
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	\$ 1.00

## EXPENDITURES - Where the 1975-76 Dollar Went :

Salary & Wages	\$ .21
Travel	.04
Office: Rent, light, dump, tel. & supplies	.07
Postage	.07
Advertising, pictures, publicity and shows	.09
Memberships & Meetings	.01
Maps	.16
Administration: FICA, Unemployment Comp, Ins.	.03
Where To Book	.29
Accommodations Directory	.03
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	\$ 1.00

# Report of the Ashland Fire Department

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The Ashland Fire Department wishes to thank the taxpayers for their financial support of our new building. We feel all can be very proud of the fire station.

The total number of responses for the department are exceeding 1975 total, as Medical Emergency calls have been added since there are now two State qualified Emergency Medical Technicians.

Please remember — no matter how small a fire seems to be, do not hesitate to call your Fire Department. The first few minutes of a fire are most important. The emergency number is 1-524-1545.

## Breakdown of Fire Calls

Mutual Aid	14
Structure	9
Chimney	9
Car	3
False Alarm	2
Medical Emergency	12
Smoke Investigation	3
Camper-trailer	1
Electrical	2
F.O.B.	1
T.V.	1
Brush	4

Respectfully submitted,

Ashland Fire Chief,  
Norman E. Lyford

# Ashland Fire House Construction 1976

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## Receipts

Long Term Notes	\$ 50,000.00	
Capital Reserve Fund	73,000.00	
L. W. Packard Donation	22,560.82	
Sale of Razed Property	125.00	
Total Receipts		\$145,685.82

Due from Capital Reserve - Fire House a-c		1,969.38
Due from Razed Building		1,975.00
Due from Miscellaneous Donations		369.80
Total Appropriation		\$150,000.00

## Expenditures

Fire House Construction	\$122,257.80	
Balance - Due Fire House Const.	17,742.20	
Equipment	951.64	
Balance - Due Equipment	9,048.36	
Total Expenditures		\$150,000.00

# Report of District Fire Chief and Town Forest Fire Warden

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Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

## 1976 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	746	294
District	84	58.85
Town	3	1.50

E. SVEN CARLSON  
District Fire Chief

NORMAN E. LYFORD  
Forest Fire Warden

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# **VITAL STATISTICS**



# BIRTHS

Jan. 1, 1976 to Jan. 1, 1977

Date	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1976			
Jan. 9	Michael Denis Parrington	Denis Crawford Parrington	Holly Ann Reith
25	Rachel Michelle Verge	Hector Gerard Verge	Betty Lou Sargent
Feb. 1	Ami Catherine Fouts	Gary Page Fouts	Sandra Lane Hiltz
4	Joshus Alphonse Huckins	Robert Al Huckins	Tamberly Ann Bavis
May 4	Jennifer Lynn Burrows	John Linden Burrows	Patricia A. Tibbo
June 21	Jennifer Ann Gilpatric	Jed Elwin Gilpatric	Sherry Ann Steele
23	Michael Robert Berry	Robert Francis Berry	Carole J. Brown
29	John Russell Fleming II	John Russell Fleming	Brenda J. Cochran
July 5	Roland Elliott Jenna, Jr.	Roland Elliott Jenna	Ida May Ray
25	Jonathan Pym Edy	Donald Gordon Edy	Susan Dill Forbush
Aug. 4	Michelle Leigh White	Frederick F. White	Susan Jean Lott
13	Monica Lynn Peters	Thomas Ernest Peters	Debra A. Graton
19	Matthew Haven Heath	Haven Bruce Heath	Eldonna R. Sharrow
23	Jason Charles Moore	Gerald Robert Moore	Betty P. Hanson
23	Joseph Richard Moore	Gerald Robert Moore	Betty P. Hanson
23	Thomas Patrick Costello IV	Thomas P. Costello III	Ruth A. Raymond
Sept. 8	Lloyd Douglas Smith	Norman Harry Smith, Sr.	Brenda L. Bushaw
24	Jena Joan Van Stelten	John Thomas Van Stelten	Linda M. Doggett
26	Richard James Badger	Ellison Lester Badger	Mardean Sue Morey
Oct. 15	Sara Christin Orion Brace	Mark Christopher Brace	Debra Jean Preece
31	Peter Kent Weeks II	Peter Kent Weeks	Kathi Anne Lambert
Nov. 7	Baby Boy Baert	James Ray Baert	Norine Ann Nail
Dec. 14	Erik Joseph Hoyt	James Arthur Hoyt	Kathryn Ann Clews

# MARRIAGES

January 1, 1976 to January 1, 1977

Date	Place	Name of Bride & Groom	Date of Birth	Name of Person Performing Ceremony
<b>1976</b>				
<b>Mar.</b>				
6	Ashland, N. H.	Debra Arlene Graton Thomas Ernest Peters, III	02-02-54 03-20-56	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
18	Essex Jct., Vt.	Madeline M. St. Lawrence Joseph C. Gagnon	11-08-25 03-18-21	Philip M. Cohen Vermont
20	Ashland, N. H.	Jane L. Baker Edward M. Doggett	01-22-53 05-06-42	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
<b>Apr.</b>				
4	Ashland, N. H.	Stacie Ann Brown James A. Laauwe	08-25-53 11-26-43	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
<b>May</b>				
22	Ashland, N. H.	Susan Margaret Glidden Peter Scott Francesco	01-21-54 04-11-51	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
<b>June</b>				
5	Warren, N. H.	Wendy Lee Wright Phillip Arthur Bushaw	12-17-58 05-10-59	Dorothy H. Sprague Warren, N. H.
19	Campton, N. H.	Terri Lynn Amsden Joseph LeRoy Clark, Jr.	07-02-56 10-29-53	Rev. Peter Durant Campton, N. H.
25	W. Rumney, N. H.	Ethelyn Elizabeth Shinn David Harry Ball	09-24-22 12-08-47	Rev. Frank Thomas Ossipee, N. H.
26	Ashland, N. H.	Jennifer Susan Dahlberg Bruce Warren Gile	06-12-57 04-30-52	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
26	Ashland, N. H.	Debra Sue LaBrique Albert Lee Baert	02-24-56 02-07-52	Rev. Albert Boulanger Ashland, N. H.
<b>July</b>				
9	Nashua, N. H.	June Corson Moore Neale Harley Bavis	09-24-38 02-24-37	Constance M. Pratt Nashua, N. H.
10	Carroll, N. H.	Kathy Ann Lamberston John Charles Thomas	06-20-52 11-11-54	Rev. George Harvey Whitefield, N. H.
17	Bristol, N. H.	Denise L. MacDonald Roger Ronald Forand	01-27-54 06-07-54	Rev. Robert W. Mears Ashland, N. H.
17	Ashland, N. H.	Linda Jane Dupuis Brian Edward Guyotte	10-22-51 04-10-53	Rev. Albert Boulanger Ashland, N. H.
23	Plymouth, N. H.	Sandra Jeanne Hoyt Sherburne Cromwell Ramsay	01-20-57 08-25-56	Clarence H. Jones Plymouth, N. H.
24	Ashland, N. H.	Deborah Jean King Jeffrey Paul Emery	10-21-55 11-30-49	Rev. Donald T. Towle Danbury, N. H.
<b>Sept.</b>				
4	Ashland, N. H.	Christine J. Anderson Harry B. Bridges, Jr.	11-13-51 07-30-51	Rev. Robert W. Mears Ashland, N. H.
6	Ashland, N. H.	Sandra Jane Huckins Tyler Whitney Simpson	03-30-55 04-24-55	Rev. Philip M. Polhemus Plymouth, N. H.
17	Ashland, N. H.	Karen June Kelley William A. Brewster	09-23-57 11-25-59	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
<b>Oct.</b>				
2	Thornton, N. H.	Lizbeth Alene Carnie Stephen Anthony Orlich	07-23-53 07-27-50	Rev. Mark E. Greene Center Harbor, N. H.
16	Plymouth, N. H.	Pauline Olive King Stanley Wm. Heath, Sr.	02-29-40 05-12-41	Rev. Everett Palmer Ashland, N. H.
<b>Nov.</b>				
20	White Riv. Jct., Vt.	June L. Roberts James H. Thomen	12-25-57 04-07-58	John R. Clark Vermont
27	Plymouth	Carol Ann Connelly Mitchell E. Hale	9-26-54 10-27-52	Rev. Patrick F. Irwin Plymouth, N. H.
27	Ashland, N. H.	Helen May Flanders John Scott Garrick	03-23-53 12-21-41	Francis Murdock Ashland, N. H.
27	Plymouth, N. H.	Rachel Iva Keniston Joseph M. Knowlton	02-22-57 08-27-56	Rev. Bayard Hancock Plymouth, N. H.
<b>Dec.</b>				
11	Plymouth, N. H.	Georgia Lee Cote Leon Francis Comeau	03-04-52 06-21-46	Sharon L. Davis Plymouth, N. H.

# DEATHS

Jan. 1, 1976 to Jan. 1, 1977

Date	Name	Age	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
<b>Correction 1975 Town Report</b>					
Apr. 10	Guy Heath	52	N. H.	Herbert Heath	Sarah Jacobs
1972					
Jan. 20	Beth A. Pytel	5	Penn.	Richard Pytel	Linda Atwood
1976					
Jan.					
14	Pauline L. Packard	84	Mass.	William J. Cox	Myra B. Burnham
15	Alfred H. Brazeau	83	Vt.	Elzear Brazeau	Mary J. Cote
23	Lurlene C. Brooks	81	Vt.	Edson Avery	Rosella Chase
26	John A. Dionne	51	N. H.	John A. Dionne	Ethel Rollins
31	Russell R. Ackerman	68	Cal.	Clark T. Ackerman	Myrtie Sinclair
Feb.					
7	Ruth Clark	84	Iowa	Eldorus Wheeler	Annie Goodwin
12	Walter E. Blake	82	N. H.	Orinon Blake	Nellie Johnson
Mar.					
16	Leila E. Cowan	93	N. H.	Unknown	Unknown
25	Ethel M. Boyce	75	Canada	Patrick Boyce	Ann Doherty
Apr.					
1	Elsie G. Amsden	88	N. H.	Unknown	Unknown
5	Mildreth C. Smith	71	N. H.	Maynard E. Cummings	Lillian Gale
17	Ada B. Cross	80	N. H.	Charles Heath	Flora Corey
May					
2	Kenneth P. Mumford	57	Mass.	William Mumford	Nellie Scott
10	Guy L. Leavitt, Sr.	69	N. H.	Henry E. Leavitt	Jennie Sargent
16	William C. Plaisted	83	Mass.	James	Luella Gould
June					
12	Jessie M. Vachon	98	N. H.	Mitchell Landroche	Odile Lamonde
18	Leroy S. Huckins	42	N. H.	Harvey W. Huckins	Marjorie Huckins
25	Ralph M. Stahl	66	N. H.	Franklin Stahl	Mattie Cooley
July					
31	Royce M. Wilder	81	Canada	Samuel Wilder	Unknown
Aug.					
5	Edith Finney	73	Penn.	Arron Schwartz	Fannie
10	Allie E. Batchelder	80	N. H.	Enoch Batchelder	Olive Downing
Sept.					
4	Cameron Keith	22	N. H.	Charles F. Keith	Margaret Ridgely
Oct.					
4	Otis G. Young	98	N. H.	Joseph Young	Julliette Bushway
Nov.					
5	Roger R. Paquette	63	P. Q.	Belonie Paquette	Sylvia Paquette
13	Stanley H. Getchel	66	Vt.	Jesse Getchel	Mae LaPointe
15	Bessie Robinson	87	N. H.	Unknown	Unknown
25	Karl F. Buttrick	85	N. H.	Fred Buttrick	Isadore Butler
Dec.					
7	Edna W. Bickford	81	R. I.	Matthew Carson	Mary J. Hughes
12	Ida Bickford	82	N. H.	Fred L. Shaw	Lela Cox
21	Marjorie A. Havlock	66	Maine	Jesse Pinney	Lucy Leighton
23	Edward F. Thompson	91	N. H.	Oliver Thompson	Lizzie B. Clark
29	James P. Snyder	80	N. Y.		





**ASHLAND**

**School Report**

**1976**

# Officers of Ashland School District 1976 - 1977

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School Board	Term Expires
Dr. Douglas Wiseman, Chairman	1979
Mrs. Marcelle Abear	1977
Dr. Mary G. Bilheimer	1979
Ms. Sherri Jackman	1978
Mrs. Patricia Tucker	1978

Treasurer	Mrs. Beverly LaBricque
Moderator	Dr. Glenn W. Bricker
Clerk	Mrs. Joyce M. Bavis

Attendance Officer	Ernest Paquette
Census	Mrs. Helen May

Principal	G. Theodore Aimo
Principal's Secretary	Mrs. Lorraine Paquette
School Doctor	Dr. Glenn W. Bricker

Superintendent of Schools	Carl F. Knowlton
Assistant Superintendent	George A. Corrette II
Business Administrator	William L. Reinhardt, Jr.

Office: Superintendent's Office, Humiston Building, Main Street,  
Meredith, N. H. 03253. Telephone: 279-7947.

# Annual School District Meeting Minutes

March 1, 1976

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In accordance with the Ashland School District Warrant legally signed by the Ashland School Board and posted February 12, 1976, the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, at 8:00 P.M. at the Ashland School Auditorium-Gymnasium. The warrant was read.

ARTICLE I. It was moved, seconded and adopted that the District accept the reports of the Agents, Committees or Officers.

ARTICLE II. It was moved, seconded and adopted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of reconstructing school properties and that the Fund be held in custody by the Town of Ashland Trustees of Trust Funds.

ARTICLE III. It was moved, seconded with discussion, and so voted to give the School Board full authority to enter into any necessary agreement with the State Board of Education regarding Area 5 Regional Vocational Center and that the Ashland School Board participate in the Area 5 Regional Vocational Center Program in accordance with RSA:188E.

ARTICLE IV. It was moved, seconded and voted with no opposition to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept on behalf of the District, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and-or the United States.

ARTICLE V. It was moved, seconded and adopted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,091 for the completion of the Ober Playground.

ARTICLE VI. It was moved, seconded and voted to accept the provisions of Public Law 89-10 designed to improve educational opportunities with particular reference to children of low-income families, and to appropriate such funds as may be made available to the District under said federal act for such particular projects as may be determined by the School Board. Further, voted the District authorize the School Board to make application for such funds and to expend the same for such projects as it may designate.

ARTICLE VII. After many motions, seconds, amendments, and divisions of the house, the following motion was adopted:

It was moved, seconded and so voted by paper ballot to raise and appropriate the sum of \$495,743.14 for the support of schools, for the



salaries of School District Officials and Agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

Results	Yes 51	No 42	Adopted
Counters:	Joyce Bavis, Christopher Luff, Gordon McCormack, Thomas Winn, Betty Fields, Helen Knowlton.		

Dr. Bilheimer thanked Mrs. Patricia Tucker for substituting as chairperson for the meeting.

The meeting was declared closed at 10:55 P.M. by the Moderator.

Results of Balloting for Candidates at the Ashland Town Meeting March 2, 1976.

Total Ballots counted and approved for this meeting — 1071. Total Ballots Cast — 450.

Moderator	G. W. Bricker, M.D.	165
Moderator	Helen Knowlton	16
School Clerk	Joyce M. Bavis	400
School Treasurer	Thomas W. Heinz	436
School Board	Mary G. Bilheimer	254
School Board	Richard B. Pytel	213
School Board	Douglas C. Wiseman	352

Having plurality, the following officers were declared elected:

Moderator	G. W. Bricker, M. D.
Clerk	Joyce M. Bavis
Treasurer	Thomas W. Heinz
Two School Board	
Members for Three Years	Douglas C. Wiseman Mary G. Bilheimer

The Ballots were sealed, signed by the School Board Members, Clerk, and by the Moderator as required by law.

The School Clerk, School Treasurer, and Mary Bilheimer, School Board Member were sworn in by the Moderator. The Moderator and Douglas C. Wiseman, School Board Member were sworn in by the Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Bavis  
School Clerk

March 27, 1976

# Ashland School District Warrant

State of New Hampshire

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To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Ashland, in the County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Ashland Gymnasium in said District on Monday, March 7, 1977, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

Notice: School District Officers to be elected at the Town Meeting to be held at the Ashland Gymnasium, beginning at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 8, 1977, in accordance with the statutory election procedure adopted by the District at its March 1970 Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE 1. To see what action the District will take in relation to the reports of Agents, Committees, or Officers chosen.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of reconstructing school properties and that the Fund be held in custody by the Town of Ashland Trustees of Trust Funds.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will vote to approve the withdrawal of \$14,500.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund, established March 1, 1975, for the purpose of the installation of a new Gymnasium floor covering.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the District, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire, United States, or Local Agency.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the District will vote to accept the provisions of Public Law 89-10 designed to improve educational opportunities with particular reference to children of low-income families, and to appropriate such funds as may be made available to the District under said federal act for such particular projects as may be determined by the School Board. Further, to see if the District will authorize the School

Board to make application for such funds and to expend the same for such projects as it may designate.

ARTICLE 6. (By Petition) "To see if the Town will vote to allocate Nine Thousand, One Hundred and Thirteen Dollars (\$9,113.00) for a public kindergarten to be located within the school building, which amount would provide for one full-time staff member (two sessions per day) and all related supplies and materials.

In the event that space is not available within the school building, an additional amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to be allocated for the expense of renting an acceptable location for the kindergarten, bringing the total amount requested to Eleven Thousand, One Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$11,113.00)."

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of Schools, for the salaries of School District Officials and Agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

DOUGLAS WISEMAN, CHAIRMAN  
MARCELLE ABEAR  
MARY G. BILHEIMER  
SHERRI JACKMAN  
PATRICIA TUCKER

Ashland School Board

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

DOUGLAS WISEMAN, CHAIRMAN  
MARCELLE ABEAR  
MARY G. BILHEIMER  
SHERRI JACKMAN  
PATRICIA TUCKER

# Ashland School District Warrant

State of New Hampshire

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To the inhabitants of the Ashland School District in the Town of Ashland, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Ashland School Auditorium-Gymnasium in said District on the 8th day of March, 1977 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles set forth in this Warrant:

Voting will be by official ballot and checklist. The polls will remain open for this purpose from 9:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M., or longer if the meeting so determines.

- ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 4. To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

DOUGLAS WISEMAN, CHAIRMAN  
MARCELLE ABEAR  
MARY G. BILHEIMER  
SHERRI JACKMAN  
PATRICIA TUCKER  
Ashland School Board

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Ashland School Board

# Ashland School District Budget 1977-78 Budget Data

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	School Budget For 1976-77	Budget Board's Budget 1977-78	Committee Budget 1977-78
<i>Administration</i>			
Salaries for Administration	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 1,595.00	\$ 1,595.00
Contracted Services	1,575.00	2,670.00	2,000.00
Other Expenses Administration	1,690.00	1,790.00	1,790.00
<i>Instruction</i>			
Salaries	254,255.00	270,192.00	270,192.00
Textbooks	3,000.00	3,757.00	3,757.00
Libraries & Audio-Visual	3,000.00	3,963.00	3,500.00
Teaching Supplies	11,000.00	12,986.00	12,000.00
Contracted Services	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00
Other Expenses	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
<i>Attendance Services</i>			
Salaries	125.00	125.00	125.00
<i>Health Services</i>			
Salaries	8,002.00	8,482.00	8,252.00
Other Expenses	860.00	910.00	910.00
<i>Transportation</i>			
Contracted Services	7,600.00	7,980.00	7,980.00
Handicapped	4,500.00	3,000.00	4,500.00
<i>Operation of Plant</i>			
Salaries	16,776.00	17,782.00	17,782.00
Supplies for Operation	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
Contracted Services	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Heat for Buildings	18,800.00	18,800.00	18,800.00
Utilities	12,700.00	12,700.00	12,700.00
<i>Maintenance of Plant</i>			
Salaries	900.00	900.00	900.00
Replacement of Equipment	1,000.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
Repairs to Equipment	855.00	1,220.00	1,220.00
Contracted Services	2,935.00	3,205.00	3,205.00
Repairs to Buildings	2,185.00	2,655.00	2,655.00
Other Expenses	1,000.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
<i>Fixed Charges</i>			
Teachers' Retirement	6,619.00	5,224.00	5,219.00
FICA	16,718.00	17,765.00	17,751.00
Insurance	14,240.00	14,600.00	14,600.00

<i>School Lunch &amp; Special Milk</i>			
District Monies	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
<i>Student Body Activities</i>			
Salaries	3,600.00	4,600.00	4,600.00
Expenses	7,660.00	7,992.00	7,660.00
<i>Capital Outlay</i>			
Sites	6,091.00	500.00	500.00
Buildings	900.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
Equipment	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
<i>Debt Service</i>			
Principal	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Interest	17,020.00	15,540.00	15,540.00
<i>Outgoing Transfer Account</i>			
Tuition	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Union Expenses	12,197.14	12,912.52	12,912.52
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	\$482,343.14	\$504,845.52	\$502,145.52
<i>Title I</i>	8,400.00	8,400.00	8,400.00
<i>Capital Reserve Fund</i>	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
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	\$495,743.14	\$518,245.52	\$515,545.52
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			14,500.00
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			\$530,045.52

<i>Estimated Revenues</i>	
<i>Approved</i>	<i>Budget</i>
<i>Revenues</i>	<i>Committee</i>
<i>1976-77</i>	<i>1977-78</i>

*Revenues & Credits Available  
To Reduce School Taxes*

<i>Unencumbered Balance</i>	\$ 9,748.52	\$ 2,500.00
<i>Revenue From State Sources:</i>		
Sweepstakes	12,112.68	12,112.68
School Building Aid	6,014.85	6,014.85
Driver Education	2,000.00	2,000.00
<i>Revenue From Federal Sources:</i>		
PL 89-10 (ESEA)	8,400.00	8,400.00
<i>Local Revenue Except Taxes:</i>		
Tuition	908.58	1,200.00
<i>Bonds-Notes &amp; Capital Reserve Funds:</i>		
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds		14,500.00
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<b>TOTAL SCHOOL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	39,184.63	46,727.53
<b>DISTRICT ASSESSMENT</b>	456,558.51	483,317.99
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<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	\$495,743.14	\$530,045.52



**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Bonded Indebtedness**  
**Statement of Annual Principal and Interest Maturities**  
**As at June 30, 1976**

	<i>School Bonds</i>
Original amount issued	<b>\$350,000.00</b>
Interest rate	<i>7.4 percent</i>
Date of issue	<i>June 15, 1970</i>
Principal payment date	<i>June 15</i>
Interest payment dates	<i>June 15 and Dec. 15</i>
Payable at	<i>New England Merchants National Bank</i>

<i>Fiscal Year Ending:</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
June 30, 1977	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 17,020.00
June 30, 1978	20,000.00	15,540.00
June 30, 1979	20,000.00	14,060.00
June 30, 1980	20,000.00	12,580.00
June 30, 1981	15,000.00	11,100.00
June 30, 1982	15,000.00	9,990.00
June 30, 1983	15,000.00	8,880.00
June 30, 1984	15,000.00	7,770.00
June 30, 1985	15,000.00	6,660.00
June 30, 1986	15,000.00	5,550.00
June 30, 1987	15,000.00	4,440.00
June 30, 1988	15,000.00	3,330.00
June 30, 1989	15,000.00	2,220.00
June 30, 1990	15,000.00	1,110.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$230,000.00</b>	<b>\$120,250.00</b>

# **ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **Financial Statements**

### **June 30, 1976**

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Ashland School Board  
Ashland School District  
Ashland, New Hampshire 03217

Dear School Board Members:

I have examined the accompanying financial statements of the Ashland School District for the years ended June 30, 1976 and 1975. The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Subsequent to June 30, 1975, a deficiency in the cash accounts of the school districts was noted. Please refer to Note 1 for details. Counsel for the school district has filed claims for the recovery of such funds. A receivable has been reflected on the financial statements to correspond with these claims.

Subject to the collectibility of the receivable referred to above, it is my opinion that the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds of the Ashland School District at June 30, 1976 and 1975, and the results of their operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to government entities in the State of New Hampshire, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

Very truly yours,  
Robert G. Stinson  
Certified Public Accountant



**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**June 30, 1976, and June 30, 1975**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:**

*Accounting Method:*

The Ashland School District maintains its financial records using budgetary and single entry cash basis accounting. The financial statements have been prepared under the accrual method of accounting as applied to governmental entities.

*Funds:*

Under governmental accounting, self-balancing financial statements are prepared for each fund. A fund is defined as an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, recording cash and-or other resources together with all related liabilities, obligations, reserves, and equities which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations or limitations. Please refer to the exhibits enumerated in the table of contents for the funds included in this report.

*General Fixed Assets:*

A report on the above type fund was not included within the scope of this audit.

**Note 1 - Due from Banks:**

At June 30, 1976, there was a deficiency of \$32,000.00 due from the Town of Ashland. The Town Treasurer had issued checks for the above amount, but such monies were not deposited to the credit of the Ashland School District. The School District is in the process of making claim for such monies from the Meredith Trust Company and the Meredith Village Savings Bank.

**Note 2 - Reconciliation of Budgets as Voted to the Financial Statements:**

Enumerated below are certain items voted as part of the budget that are not reflected on the statements of budgeted revenue and budgeted expenditures. Except for the amount voted to reduce the budget, the revenue and expense items shown below cancel each other.

	1976	1975
<i>Revenue:</i>		
Budgeted revenue as reported on Schedule A-2	\$443,436.79	\$420,058.48
Plus:		
Portion of previous years fund balance used to reduce tax rate	12,212.11	
Budgeted federal project revenue	8,000.00	11,618.00

Deficit appropriation	6,780.00	<u>                    </u>
<i>Total Budgeted Revenue</i>	\$470,518.90	\$431,676.48
<i>Expenditures:</i>		
Budgeted expenditures as reported on Schedule A-3	\$455,648.90	\$420,058.48
Budgeted federal project expenditure	8,000.00	11,618.00
Deficit appropriation	6,870.00	<u>                    </u>
<i>Total Budgeted Expenditures</i>	\$470,518.90	\$431,676.48



**Exhibit A**  
**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**General Fund**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**As at June 30, 1976, and June 30, 1975**

	<i>June 30</i>	
	<i>1976</i>	<i>1975</i>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<i>Current Assets:</i>		
Cash in bank - Meredith Trust Company	\$ (15,853.06)	\$20,734.41
Receivables due District:		
School lunch and special milk program	3,798.88	1,716.56
Ashland school lunch program		172.00
Student tuition	635.82	
Due from banks (Note 1)	32,000.00	
Driver education (State of N.H.)	878.36	
Supervisory Union No. 2	285.56	
Due from Federal funds	360.02	
	\$ 22,105.58	\$ 22,622.97
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		
 <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>		
<i>Liabilities:</i>		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,184.50	\$ 2,302.11
Budget carryovers	650.00	1,422.62
Due Ashland school lunch program	6,667.80	1,716.56
Due Inter-Lakes Cooperative		
School District		24.00
Payroll withholdings	2,509.18	1,108.25
	12,011.48	6,573.54
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		
<i>Fund Balance (Schedule A-1)</i>	10,094.10	16,049.43
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	\$ 22,105.58	\$22,622.97

**Schedule A-1**  
**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**General Fund**  
**Statement of Changes in Fund Balance**  
**For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 1976, and June 30, 1975**

	<i>June 30</i>	
	<i>1976</i>	<i>1975</i>
Fund balance, July 1 (deficit)	\$16,049.43	\$ ( 4,144.49)
Less - Appropriation to decrease school tax rate	12,212.11	
Add - Deficit appropriation		6,870.00
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Adjusted fund balance	\$ 3,737.32	\$ 2,725.51
Additions to fund balance:		
Actual revenue in excess of budgeted revenues (Schedule A-2)		82.55
Excess of budgeted expenditures over actual expenditures (Schedule A-3)	5,749.24	10,172.69
Revenues not budgeted:		
Tuition	635.82	931.00
Fees	5.00	5.00
Insurance recovery	110.00	2,232.68
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	\$10,337.38	\$16,149.43
Deductions from fund balance:		
Unreimbursed Federal project expenditure		100.00
Budgeted revenues in excess of actual revenues (Schedule A-2)	243.28	
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Fund balance, end of year	\$10,094.10	\$ 16,049.43

Schedule A-2  
ASHLAND SCHOOL REPORT

General Fund

Statement of Actual Revenues Compared with Budget  
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 1976, and June 30, 1975

	Budgeted Revenue	June 30, 1976 Actual Revenue	Over (Under) Budget	Budgeted Revenue	June 30, 1975 Actual Revenue	Over (Under) Budget
<i>Town of Ashland:</i>						
Regular appropriation	\$426,163.65	\$426,163.65	\$	\$404,244.94	\$404,244.94	
<i>Revenue from State Sources:</i>						
Sweepstakes	9,258.29	9,258.29		5,050.47	5,133.02	82.55
School building aid	6,014.85	6,014.85		10,763.07	10,763.07	
Driver education	2,000.00	1,756.72	(243.28)			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>\$443,436.79</u>	<u>\$443,193.51</u>	<u>\$ (243.28)</u>	<u>\$420,058.48</u>	<u>\$420,141.03</u>	<u>\$ 82.55</u>
Less - Accounts receivable included in actual revenue		33,514.18			none	
<i>Receipts (to Schedule A-4)</i>		<u>\$409,679.33</u>			<u>\$420,141.03</u>	
<i>Budgeted Revenues in Excess of Actual (to Schedule A-1)</i>			<u>\$ 243.28</u>			
<i>Actual Revenue in Excess of Budget (to Schedule A-1)</i>						<u>\$ 82.55</u>

Schedule A-3

ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

General Fund

Statement of Expenditures Compared with Budget  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976

	Appropriations Carried Over from 6-30-75	Budgeted Expenditures	Receipts Applied to Budget	Total Amount Available	Expenditures for Year	Amount Under (Over) Expended	Appropriations Carried over to 7-1-76
<i>Administration:</i>							
Salaries	\$ 772.62	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 1,370.00	\$ 70.00	\$
Contracted services		975.00	1,000.00	2,747.62	8,780.91	(6,033.29)	
Other expenses	3.30	1,690.00	47.00	1,740.30	1,969.48	( 229.18)	
<i>Instruction:</i>							
Salaries		248,545.00	80.00	248,625.00	246,270.85	2,354.15	
Textbooks		1,436.00		1,436.00	1,390.02	45.98	
Library and audiovisual materials		3,040.00	268.28	3,308.28	1,981.43	1,326.85	467.62
Teaching supplies	50.00	10,000.00		10,050.00	9,547.82	502.18	180.40
Contracted services		2,767.00	900.00	3,667.00	3,716.50	( 49.50)	
Other expenses	176.15	3,902.00		4,078.15	3,306.87	771.28	

<i>Attendance services</i>	125.00		125.00	62.50	62.50
<i>Health services</i>	8,577.00		8,577.00	8,716.88	( 139.88)
<i>Pupil transportation</i>	11,310.00		11,310.00	8,455.74	2,854.26
<i>Operation of plant:</i>					
Salaries	16,276.00		16,276.00	16,203.49	72.51
Supplies	3,000.00	91.25	3,152.20	3,798.59	( 640.39)
Contracted services	1,425.00		1,516.71	2,099.21	( 582.50)
Heat	17,100.00		17,100.00	17,516.48	( 416.48)
Utilities	10,350.00		10,921.55	10,285.92	635.63
<i>Maintenance of plant</i>	6,780.00		7,315.55	6,942.69	372.86
<i>Fixed charges:</i>					
Employee retirement & FICA	19,063.00	749.73	19,812.73	22,666.82	(2,854.09)
Insurance	10,474.00		10,474.00	9,752.96	721.04
<i>School lunch and special milk program</i>	3,500.00	14,438.75	19,655.31	19,155.31	500.00
<i>Student-body activities</i>	1,716.56	53.28	9,043.78	7,606.34	1,437.44
<i>Capital outlay:</i>					
Sites	650.00		1,150.00	799.50	350.50
Equipment	635.00		3,585.00	2,972.18	612.82
<i>Debt service:</i>					
Principal of debt	20,000.00		20,000.00	20,000.00	
Interest on debt	18,500.00		18,500.00	18,500.00	
<i>Outgoing transfer Accounts in State:</i>					
Tuition	80.40		6,580.40	2,575.85	4,004.55

1,410.98

6,667.80

78.00

650.00



Supervisory Union expenses	11,548.90	11,548.90	11,548.90	11,548.90
Payments into Capital Reserve Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
TOTALS	<u>\$5,465.29</u>	<u>\$17,628.29</u>	<u>\$478,742.48</u>	<u>\$472,983.24</u>
Less: Accounts receivable included in receipts		3,798.88		
Accounts payable and budget carryovers included in expenditures				<u>9,502.30</u>
Receipts (to Schedule A-4)		<u>\$13,829.41</u>		
Expenditures (to Schedule A-4)				<u>\$463,490.94</u>

Schedule A-4  
**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**General Fund**

**Statement of Receipts and Disbursements**  
**For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 1976, and June 30, 1975**

	<i>June 30</i>	
	<i>1976</i>	<i>1975</i>
<i>Cash balance, start of year</i>	\$ 20,734.41	\$ 772.02
<b>Add - Cash receipts:</b>		
Budgeted revenues (Schedule A-2)	409,679.33	420,141.03
Reimbursed expenditures (Schedule A-3)	13,829.41	26,361.51
Deficit appropriation		6,870.00
Tuitions	635.82	931.00
Fees	5.00	5.00
Insurance recovery	110.00	2,232.68
Collection of prior year receivables:		
School lunch and special milk program	1,888.56	2,861.60
Due from Federal funds account		640.61
Payroll withholdings - employee insurance	1,400.93	1,108.25
<b>Total Cash Available</b>	<u>\$448,283.46</u>	<u>\$461,923.70</u>
<b>Less - Cash disbursements:</b>		
Budgeted expenditures (Schedule A-3)	463,490.94	441,189.29
Advance to Federal funds	360.02	
Payment of Supervisory Union No. 2 obligation	285.56	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<u>464,136.52</u>	<u>441,189.29</u>
<i>Cash balance, end of year</i>	\$ ( 15,853.06)	\$ 20,734.41

**Schedule C-1**  
**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Bonded Indebtedness**  
**Statement of Annual Principal and Interest Maturities**  
**As at June 30, 1976**

	<i>School Bonds</i>
Original amount issued	<b>\$350,000.00</b>
Interest rate	<i>7.4 percent</i>
Date of issue	<i>June 15, 1970</i>
Principal payment date	<i>June 15</i>
Interest payment dates	<i>June 15 and Dec. 15</i>
Payable at	<i>New England Merchants National Bank</i>

<i>Fiscal Year Ending:</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
June 30, 1977	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 17,020.00
June 30, 1978	20,000.00	15,540.00
June 30, 1979	20,000.00	14,060.00
June 30, 1980	20,000.00	12,580.00
June 30, 1981	15,000.00	11,100.00
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June 30, 1988	15,000.00	3,330.00
June 30, 1989	15,000.00	2,220.00
June 30, 1990	15,000.00	1,110.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$230,000.00</b>	<b>\$120,250.00</b>

Schedule D-1  
**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Ashland School Lunch Fund**  
**Statement of Receipts and Disbursements**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976**

<i>Cash balance, start of year</i>	\$ 7,163.79
<b>Add - Cash receipts:</b>	
Lunch sales	13,076.09
Federal reimbursements	7,770.95
Ashland School District appropriation	3,000.00
Collection of prior year receivables	1,716.56
	\$32,727.39
<b>Less - Disbursements:</b>	
Food	15,417.48
Labor	4,851.83
Expendable supplies	181.24
Other	168.81
Satellite transportation	1,868.00
Equipment	490.15
Payment of prior year payables	8,100.97
	\$31,078.48
<i>Cash balance, end of year</i>	\$ 1,648.91

**Exhibit H**  
**ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Student Activity Fund**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**As at June 30, 1976**

*ASSETS*

<i>Current Assets:</i>	
Cash on hand	\$ 2,470.35
Cash in checking account	983.13
Cash in savings account	6,727.80
	\$ 10,181.28
Total Assets	\$ 10,181.28

*LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE*

<i>Liabilities:</i>	
Accounts payable	\$ 425.42
<i>Fund Balance:</i>	
Balance, beginning of year	7,420.25
Plus - receipts	15,499.50
Less - disbursements	(13,163.89)
Fund balance, end of year	9,755.86
	\$ 10,181.28
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 10,181.28

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Board and Citizens of Ashland:

I hereby submit my fourth annual report as Superintendent of the Ashland School District.

The Ashland School District is part of Inter-Lakes Supervisory Union No. 2. A Supervisory Union organization serves as a collective way for individual districts to provide administrative services of a Superintendent's office. A Supervisory Union office is directly responsible to the New Hampshire State Department of Education. In this capacity, it serves as a liaison between the Department and individual school districts. The Supervisory Union serves as a collective approach to provide services that might otherwise not be available for individual districts. The Budget and apportionment of expenses for the Supervisory Union are printed at the end of this report. Expenses are apportioned among the three districts utilizing a formula involving a percentage of Equalized Valuation and Average Daily Membership for each of the three school districts.

## Staff:

The following new staff members were added to the faculty of the Ashland Schools in September 1976: Miss Debra E. Shulins was hired as a Junior High Social Studies Teacher to replace Mr. Charles Knox. Miss Shulins graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a Bachelors Degree in Sociology. She continued her education at Keene State College receiving post graduate credits in education, certifying her as a Secondary School Social Studies Teacher.

Mrs. Kathleen McIntyre was hired as Ashland School Librarian replacing Mrs. Mary Desfosses. Mrs. McIntyre is a graduate of Geneva College in Pennsylvania with a Bachelor of Science in Education. She continued her graduate studies at the University of Pittsburg receiving a Masters of Library Science Degree in 1974. Mrs. McIntyre came to Ashland after having had several years of experience as a Childrens' Librarian in Pittsburg, Pa. as well as Laconia, New Hampshire.

## Costs:

The Property Tax Assessment for the 1976-77 School Year was \$456,558.51. This is an increase of \$23,524.61 over the 1975-76 Assessment of \$433,033.65. This amounted to a 5 per cent increase in the assessment.

The School Building Aid allocation was \$6,014.85. Sweepstakes Aid was \$12,102.68. These monies were used to reduce the 1976 Tax Assessment. The Cost Per Pupil, as computed by the State Department of Education,

for the 1975-76 School Year, excluding transportation and Capital Outlay, is as follows: Grades 1-6 \$976.75; Grades 7 & 8 \$908.58; Grades 9 through 12 \$1,243.28. The State Average Costs are as follows for 1975-76: Grades 1-6 \$950.00; Grades 7 & 8 \$1,083.00 and Grades 9-12 \$1,221.00.

#### **Elementary School Playground Completion:**

The 1976 Annual School District Meeting approved a Warrant Article to appropriate \$5,091.00 for the completion of the Ober Playground. This project was planned jointly by the North Country Resource Conservation and Development Project of the State of New Hampshire and the Ashland School District. It involved the installation of Roof Drain Catch Basins, a complete regrading of the playground as well as the installation of contoured waterways, covered in part with asphalt and the remainder with Rick Rack. A new chain link fence was installed along the school district property line to serve as a barrier between the playground area and the residential properties of adjacent Highland Street. The playground has been seeded, fertilized and covered with mulch hay. Students were not allowed to use the new playground area during the fall months of the school year. It is anticipated that additional seeding will be done in the spring of 1977. The playground should be ready for student use in September of 1977.

#### **Renovation Project:**

The Ashland School District submitted a proposal to the Economic Development Agency under the recent Public Works Act passed under the Ford administration. The Renovation Project proposed to completely renovate the interior of the Junior High Middle School. It also included preparing the facility to allow use of all three floors and basement area for accessibility by handicapped students and adults. It further tied the Junior High Middle School building with the Senior High School. The project costs submitted was \$277,000. It was anticipated by the administration that this renovation project, if successfully received by the community, would resolve the housing problems of the schools for many years. The project subsequently was not funded by EDA officials. The project will be kept on file for resubmission at a future date when further funding has been voted by Congress. Much credit should be given to Principal Aimo, who devoted many hours to assist the Superintendents' Office in submitting this proposal.

#### **Audit:**

The Office of Superintendent enlisted the services of Mr. Robert Stinson of Laconia, New Hampshire to audit the books of all districts of Supervisory Union No. 2. The audit of the Ashland School District was taken in greater depth than usual because of the reported shortages found in the Meredith Banks. Assurances have been received by the Attorney for the School District that all monies involved in the shortage, as well as expenses in additional audit, will be reimbursed by the Meredith Banks. The audit for the 1975-76 fiscal year appears later in this report.

#### **Special Education Services:**

In the fiscal year 1975-76, Supervisory Union No. 2 received a grant from the Special Education Department of the New Hampshire Department of Education to allow the establishment of a position of Coordinator



of Special Services. This position was expanded in September of 1976 to make it the Coordinator of the Northern Lakes Region Special Services. It now has expanded to include Supervisory Unions No. 48, 49, as well as Union No. 2. Mrs. Hope S. Hanron was selected to be the Coordinator for the Special Services position. In her position, she is responsible to each school district in the three Supervisory Unions to utilize all regional resources available to meet the needs of each district in special education. She has established assessment teams in each district to meet the new guidelines established by the State Department of Education. Mrs. Hanron provides consultation services to the Ashland School District in organizing programs for services for any child requiring special education.

#### **Speech Therapy Program :**

Mrs. Kimberly M. Farrington serves as Speech Therapist for the Ashland School District. This program is provided under the auspices of Supervisory Union No. 2 funded with Title I monies. Mrs. Farrington is in her third year as Speech Therapist for Supervisory Union No. 2. She spends one day per week working with the students in need in the Ashland School District.

#### **Conclusion :**

As in past years, I would like to conclude by expressing my appreciation to the Town Officials of Ashland for their continued cooperation in many details that are involved in the day-to-day operation of the schools. This appreciation is extended to the Selectmen, Fire Department, Police Department, Highway Department and Library Staff for their continued support.

I wish to make special note in commending the Custodial Staff, the Lunch Program Personnel and the Bus Drivers for their high level of performance and their dedication to the youth of our community.

I wish to commend all the citizens of the Town of Ashland for their continued support and interest in the educational programs of their schools. I would like to give special commendation to the dedicated staff of professional personnel working with your children. They are to be complimented for the high degree of cooperation and their devotion to the youth of your schools. We must always keep in mind that the best educational opportunity comes through a cooperative effort of parents, students and teachers as well as the community in general.

I encourage all citizens of the community, students and staff, to join with the administration of the school district in looking for ways to provide better educational opportunity for our students.

Sincerely,

Carl F. Knowlton  
Superintendent of Schools



# Supervisory Union No. 2 1977 - 1978 Budget

	77-78 Budget	Ashland 10.74	Inter- Lakes 48.29	Newfound Area 40.97
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>I Administration</b>				
<b>A. Salaries</b>				
Superintendent	\$ 26,500.00	\$2,846.10	\$12,796.85	\$10,857.05
Assistant Superintendent	21,500.00	2,309.10	10,382.35	8,808.55
Business Administrator	16,500.00	1,772.10	7,967.85	6,760.05
Clerical	29,763.00	3,196.55	14,372.55	12,193.90
Treasurer	250.00	26.85	120.73	102.42
<b>B. Travel</b>				
Superintendent	2,000.00	214.80	965.80	819.40
Assistant Superintendent	1,850.00	198.69	893.37	757.94
Business Administrator	1,550.00	166.47	748.49	635.04
<b>C. Other expenses</b>				
Travel-Conferences	3,700.00	397.38	1,786.73	1,515.89
Operation of Office	9,145.00	982.17	4,416.12	3,746.71
<b>II. Phone, Postage, Supplies</b>				
<b>III. Maintenance</b>	550.00	59.07	265.59	225.34
<b>IV. Fixed Charges</b>	7,661.35	822.83	3,699.66	3,138.86
Retirement-FICA				
Insurance-Rent	5,709.00	613.15	2,756.87	2,338.98

V. Capital Outlay				
VI. Contingency	150.00	16.11	72.43	61.46
VII. Special Programs				
TAB Center	200.00	21.48	96.58	81.94
Staff Development	500.00	53.70	241.45	204.85
Totals	<u>\$127,528.35</u>	<u>\$13,696.55</u>	<u>\$61,583.42</u>	<u>\$52,248.38</u>
		(-7300)		

Receipts:

Cash on Hand as of June 30, 1977  
 Estimated State Support  
 (Administrative Salaries)  
 Total Receipts Anticipated  
 Total Expenditures  
 Less Estimated Receipts

	0.00
	<u>\$7,300.00</u>
	<u>\$7,300.00</u>
	<u>\$127,528.35</u>
	<u>7,300.00</u>

Amount to be Shared  
 by Districts

	\$12,912.52	\$58,056.27	\$49,257.56
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### Distribution of District Shares

The Supervisory Union Budget for 1977-78 School Year will be prorated to the 3 Districts on the basis of the 1974 Equalized Valuations and the 1975-76 Average Daily Membership as follows:

District	Equalized Valuation	Valuation Percent	74-75 A.D.M.	Pupil Percent	Combined Percent	District Share
Ashland	\$ 20,733,645	6.71	366.60	14.77	10.74	\$ 12,912.52
Inter-Lakes	167,777,790	54.32	1049.00	42.27	48.29	58,058.27
Newfound Area	120,350,186	38.97	1066.10	42.96	40.97	49,257.56
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$308,861,621</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>2481.70</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>\$120,228.35</b>

The Superintendent's Salary for 1976-77 is \$25,000.00. The Supervisory Union's Share is \$22,500.00 and the balance of \$2,500.00 is paid by the State Department of Education. Ashland's share is \$2,425.50; Inter-Lakes share is \$10,802.25 and Newfound Area's share is \$9,272.25.

The Assistant Superintendent's Salary for 1976-77 is \$20,000.00. The Supervisory Union's Share is \$17,600.00 and the balance of \$2,400.00 is paid by the State Department of Education. Ashland's share is \$1,897.28; Inter-Lakes share is \$8,449.76 and Newfound Area's share is \$7,252.96.

The Business Administrator's Salary for 1976-77 is \$15,500.00. The Supervisory Union's Share is \$13,100.00 and the balance of \$2,400.00 is paid by the State Department of Education. Ashland's share is \$1,412.18; Inter-Lakes share is \$6,289.31 and Newfound Area's share is \$5,398.51.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL

Carl F. Knowlton	Plymouth State College B. Ed Colby College, U.N.H. Penn State University M. Ed. University of New Mexico, Ohio State Boston University CAGS	Superintendent of Schools
George A. Corrette II	Plymouth State College University of Vermont B.Ed University of Michigan M. Ed. University of New Hampshire	Assistant Superintendent
William L. Reinhardt, Jr.	Bentley School of Accounting Franklin Technical Institute B. U. and Harvard University	Business Administrator
Mrs. Jean M. Black	Burdett Secretarial College	Office Manager, Secretary- Treasurer-S. U. No.2
Mrs. Flora R. Braley	Bristol High School	Secretary-Bookkeeper
Mrs. Karen L. Clafflin	Antrim High School	Secretary-Bookkeeper
Mrs. Deborah Stevenson	Chandler School for Women	Secretary-Bookkeeper
Mrs. Kimberly Farrington	University of Massachusetts	Speech Therapist, Title I
Mrs. Hope S. Hanron	Emerson College, P. S. C. B. S.	Coordinator Special Services Title IV-B
Mrs. Kathryn Bernard	Fisher Junior College	Secretary, Special Services and Staff Development

# Principal's Annual Report

Ashland Public Schools

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The Ashland School District has formulated a set of objectives which tie into goals established by the Supervisory Union. Teachers are continuously utilizing class room objectives to achieve measurable results.

One aspect of the monitoring process is the school wide testing program. This year we are testing grades 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10. The results allow the identification of program strength and weaknesses.

A Junior High utilization study last year resulted in a restructuring of teacher and class assignments. The result is average or above average staff and space utilization in all three schools.

This year many people in and out of the school community have contributed time, energy, resources, to improve the educational opportunities for the Ashland students. To all these people, a sincere "thank you" from the staff and administration of the Ashland Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Theodore Aimo  
Principal

# Teacher's Salary Scale 1977 - 1978

<i>Step</i>	<i>B.A.</i>	<i>M.A.</i>
Base	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 7,650.00
1	7,650.00	7,900.00
2	7,900.00	8,150.00
3	8,150.00	8,400.00
4	8,400.00	8,650.00
5	8,650.00	8,900.00
6	8,900.00	9,150.00
7	9,150.00	9,400.00
8	9,400.00	9,650.00
9	9,650.00	9,900.00
10	9,900.00	10,150.00
11	10,150.00	10,400.00
12	10,400.00	10,650.00

Approved — January 11, 1977

# School Calendar 1977 - 1978

## Ashland School District

September 6, Tuesday	Teachers' Meeting
September 7, Wednesday	Schools Open
October 10, Monday	Columbus Day - No School
October 21, Friday	Teachers' Convention - No School
November 11, Friday	Veterans' Day - No School
November 24, Thursday	* Thanksgiving Recess - Schools Close
November 28, Monday	Schools Re-Open
December 23, Friday	* Christmas Vacation - Schools Close
January 4, Wednesday	Schools Re-Open
February 17, Friday	* Winter Vacation - Schools Close
February 28, Tuesday	Schools Re-Open
April 21, Friday	* Spring Vacation - Schools Close
May 2, Tuesday	Schools Re-Open
May 30, Tuesday	Memorial Day - No School
June 23, Friday	Summer Vacation

\* Schools will close at regular time on these days.

This calendar allows for 182 days. State Law requires 180 days for instructional purposes. Schools may be closed 2 days because of weather, emergencies or at the discretion of the District before the time has to be made up.

# School Enrollment - September 1976

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## Ashland High School

Grade	No. Pupils
12 .....	28
11 .....	30
10 .....	40
9 .....	27
8 .....	37
7 .....	26
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	188

## Ashland Elementary School

6 .....	32
5 .....	30
4 .....	28
3 .....	25
2 .....	25
1 .....	39
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	179

## Tuition Pupils

Austine School for the Deaf .....	1
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# Ashland School District Census Report Summaries

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September	Total 0 - 18	Local In Schools
1976	526	409
1975	525	393
1974	546	363
1973	545	379
1972	575	400
1971	581	397

## Ages As Of September 1, 1976

Less than 1 year	18
1 year	19
2 years	26
3 years	24
4 years	22
5 years	22
Total	131

## Enrollments

September	Elementary	High
1976	179	188
1975	174	189
1974	176	187
1973	176	195
1972	190	206
1971	200	195

# Ashland School District 1976 - 1977

## Teaching Staff

### High School

<i>Name and Degree</i>	<i>Yrs. Exp.</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Position</i>
G. Theodore Aimo, M. Ed.	11	\$15,500.00	Principal, Gr. 1-12
Jesse L. Bartlett, B. Ed.	28	10,640.00	Industrial Arts
Robert J. Campbell, M. Ed.	24	10,390.00	French - Latin
David A. Conboy, B.A.	6	8,250.00	Science
Mrs. Nettie C. Dearborn, B.Ed.	9½	9,125.00	Business Education
Mrs. Kathleen C. Donoghue, B.A.	8	8,750.00	English
Thomas J. Friel, M.A.	10	9,500.00	Mathematics
John E. Healey, B.A.	5	8,250.00	English
Mrs. Helen P. Knowlton, B. Ed.	22	10,140.00	• Asst. Princ.-Soc. Studies
Mrs. Janet L. Paschal, B.S.	8	8,750.00	Home Economics
David F. Murphy, M. Ed. (Counseling)	0	* 4,388.15	Guidance, Gr. 1-12
Mrs. Crystal Skinner, B.S.	4	7,750.00	** Girls Phys. Ed. - Coach
William J. Tirone, B.S.	5	8,000.00	† Boys Phys. Ed. - Coach
Miss Marjorie E. Townsend, B.M.	5	8,000.00	‡ Music-Band-Mus. Dir.

(\* Pro-rated Salary)

### Junior High

Stuart K. Clinton, B.A.	7	8,500.00	Mathematics
Mrs. Shirley B. Lear, B. Ed.	10	9,250.00	Science
Rob Roy Macgregor, II, B.A.	5	8,000.00	† English-Coach
Debra Shulins, B.A.	0	7,250.00	Social Studies

### Elementary

Caroline N. Boyle, B.S.	8	8,750.00	Grade 2
Mrs. Dorothy C. Guyotte, B. Ed.	28	10,140.00	Grade 3
Mrs. Patricia N. Hormell, B.S.	1	4,450.00	Art, Gr. 1-12
Mrs. Dixie Livingston, B.S.	7	8,500.00	Resource Teacher
Mrs. Susan H. Longley, B.A.	8	8,750.00	Grade 5
Mrs. Kathleen McIntyre, B.A.	1	7,500.00	Librarian
Mrs. Mary E. Nielson, B.A.	29	10,140.00	Grade 1
Mrs. Gail Jo Abbott Spears, B.S.	4	7,750.00	Grade 1
Mrs. Thelma W. Spohrer, B. Ed.	24½	10,140.00	#Grade 4- Asst. Princ.
Lumina M. Straw, R.N.	19	8,002.00	Nurse
Mrs. Nancy A. Woolley, B.S.	5	8,000.00	Grade 6

●(400.00)    †(1,350.00)    ‡(150.00)    #(200.00)    \*\* (650.00)    †(300.00)

# Ashland High School Graduates 1975

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Susan Jeanne Abear  
Bertha Ann Avery \*  
Sandra Ann Boisvert  
April Dawn Cross \*  
Saxonee Susilyn Durgin  
Louis Willard Feinsod \*  
Julie Lynn Godville \*  
Lynne Irene Heath  
Courtney James Hiltz  
Jason Scott Hiltz  
Jody Ann King \*

Jerome Aaron Landroche  
Don Rene Latulippe  
Ann Marie Messier  
Mary Jane Messier  
\*\* David Allen Paquette  
Pamela Karen Prince  
David Brian Proulx  
\*\* Sheryl Lorraine Sanborn  
Barbara Marie Small  
\* Michelle Marie Straw  
Laurie Francine Vachon

\*\* Diane Lynn Young

\*\* Gold Stole - National Honor Society Member

\* Academic Average of 87 or better for four years

## CLASS MOTTO

“We are neither weak nor few as  
long as each one does what one can do.”

## CLASS MARSHALS

Trudy Glidden

Dana Bates

## CLASS USHERS

Marcia Cross  
Cynthia Shaw  
Susan Landroche

John Peters  
Jeffrey Prince  
Jeffrey Paquette

## CLASS COLORS

Red, White, and Blue

## CLASS FLOWER

Red Rose





# Emergency Telephones

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Town Office	968-4432
Police	968-3224
Fire Station	968-7772
Water & Sanitary Departments	968-4432
Water & Sanitary Dept., Supt. Wayne Hughes	968-7193
Electric Department	968-4432
Electric Supt. Thomas Marsh	968-4487
Tax Collector	968-4432
Town Clerk	968-4451
Plymouth Ambulance Service	536-1252
Sceva Speare Memorial Hospital (Plymouth)	536-1120
Lakes Region General Hospital (Laconia)	524-3211
Physician, Dr. Glenn W. Bricker	968-3325
Ashland Schools - Office	968-7622
Superintendent's Office	279-7947

# IN CASE OF FIRE

## Dial 1-524-1545

1. Report kind of Fire
2. Report location of Fire
3. Give your name and telephone number to the Fire Department Operator who answers your call.

### SPEAK SLOWLY AND DISTINCTLY

When ringing a fire alarm box - be sure to stay at box location to direct Fire Department to fire location.

Signal 12 at one minute intervals blown three times indicates water to be shut off within 30 minutes.

Signal 2 at one minute intervals blown three times indicates water is back on again.

No School Signal—23 sounded at 7:00 A.M.

“Delayed School” and “No School” Announcements will be made from radio stations WLNH and WEMJ, Laconia and WPNH, Plymouth, between 7:00 & 7:30 A.M.

Fire Chief

968-7503

Assistant Chief

968-3279