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# **Town of Ashland**

**New Hampshire** 



Whipple House Museum

1985

Univer ity of New Hampshire Library

### **Dates To Remember**

January 1 Fiscal year begins

January 27 1st day for Candidates to declare for Town Election February 10 Last day for Candidates to declare for Town Election

MARCH 8 ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 11 ANNUAL TOWN AND SCHOOL ELECTIONS

MARCH 12 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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 qualified persons over 65 to apply for

**Expanded Elderly Exemption** 

July 1 1st half of semi-annual tax billing commences to draw

interest at 12 percent

December 1 Unpaid real estate and personal taxes commence to

draw interest at 12 percent

December 31 Fiscal year closes

SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS: Monday evenings at 7 PM in the Selectmen's Room at the Town Office Building, Highland Street.

COMMISSIONER'S MEETINGS: Monday evenings at 7 PM in the Town Office, Highland Street.

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

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS: 4th Tuesday 7:30 PM, at the Selectmen's Room, Town Office Building, Highland Street.

#### FRONT COVER PICTURE

The Whipple House Museum was first built in 1837 by Obadiah Smith, Birthplace and childhood home of his grandson, George Hoyt Whipple, eminent medical researcher, winner of Nobel Prize for Medicine in 1934, first Dean of the University of Rochester, N.Y. Medical School. Now a local museum operated by the Ashland Historical Society.

## **Annual Report of the Officers**

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## TOWN OF ASHLAND

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31

1985

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ALBANI VAILLANT
"BENNY"
1910-1985

Thirty-two years' service in the Ashland Fire Department 1943 to 1975

### Selectmen's Report 1985

To the Citizens of Ashland:

What few of us realize is the constant increase in our town's population. In 1970, the town census was 1599. By 1980 it had climbed to 1807 - a 13% increase. According to the latest state census of 1984, our population figure stands at 1939 - a 7.3% increase between 1980-1984. Because of our location and the existing favorable and potential facilities, growth will continue. It is our decision now whether we are going to plan to cope with this growth in a united manner with foresight. Our first town administrator, Fred Welch, left to work for New London. He was replaced by Donald Rich from Essex, Vermont who came to us in mid-spring. He and his wife Gail live in Ashland.

In addition to the regular selectmen's meetings, we have held numerous hearings and meetings on sewers, tax abatements, questions of legality with the town counsel, on the water problem with the Utility Commissioners, and in cooperation with other towns on the proposed Biomass plant in Bridgewater. Most of these problems are major; the solution of which will affect each of us.

We have had two emergencies: the burning of the highway truck, and the breakdown of landfill machinery. Insurance replaced the truck, and we have obtained a new piece of machinery through a lease purchase agreement for the landfill.

We have had additions to the town - some of which have broadened the tax base and also served our people. The L.W. Packard plant has modernized its building and equipment to maintain its competitiveness and growth. The Meredith Village Savings Bank has enhanced a town site and increased its employees. The Elderly Housing, which is ideally located, is serving a community need. This facility and a 40-unit motel, well-situated near 93 and Burger King, are scheduled for completion in the spring. The Ashland-Hitchcock Clinic is of invaluable service to this community.

We still have unresolved issues and unfinished work: the improvement of the water system, completion of renovation of the second floor of the town building, and continued work on highways, bridges, and sidewalks.

The Selectmen wish to thank all Town Employees whose major interest is in a job well done. Our Town Administrator has been of immeasurable help in the varied situations that have arisen.

We also wish to thank all interested citizens who have supported our efforts during 1985. Only with your continued support and understanding can we maintain the Town of Ashland as one of which we can be proud.

Hilda M. Harris, Chairman John C. Hughes James H. Rollins Board of Selectmen

### **Moderator's Report**

TO: THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND

During the past eighteen years it has been incumbent upon me as your moderator to, among other things, be responsible for the manner in which business is conducted at the polls during the elections, i.e., federal, state and local. Further, it is a duty of the moderator and/or his duly appointed assistant(s) to conduct said elections as well as the business meetings of the town.

Also, where provided by statute or a vote of the town, it is the duty of the moderator to appoint citizens of the town to fill vacancies on the various boards and committees, etc., when they exist. At present there are a number of vacancies on the Budget Committee. Citizens of the Town have been contacted. The vacancies have not been filled because no one has indicated to the moderator their willingness to accept an appointment.

Additionally, it is the moral obligation of the moderator to make certain that the voters of the town understand the nature of the issues about which they cast their vote and the ramifications thereof, and to that end to give every voter a reasonable opportunity to gain any and all information pertaining to any matter about which they are requested to cast a vote — prior to casting their vote.

Unfortunately, matters to be voted upon often appear on the printed ballot and must be voted upon before they have been discussed by the voters at a business meeting of the town — before the voters have had an opportunity to question their duly elected representatives and learn what they need to know about the issues involved before casting their vote. It is the position of your moderator that fairness requires that the voters understand the ramifications that attend the various alternatives available to them before they cast their vote. To do otherwise defeats the purpose of home rule government and constitutes a waste of one of our most valued possessions, the right of self-determination.

The voters of any town are its legislative body. They make the town's laws, set the policies and give direction to their elected representatives concerning their implementation. Regardless of what our duly elected representatives may think or want to do personally, their discretionary power does not give them the right to countermand a vote of the town by arbitrarily failing to act on a matter which has been voted upon and approved by you the voters. This is true even if the duly elected representatives obtain an opinion supportive of their inaction from their legal counsel. The action must be taken and the only place the legality of the action can be lawfully challenged is in the courts where judges make a determination.

Nothing is all black or all white except a vote to do or not to do!!! However, once a vote has been taken on an issue and the voters elect to adopt a position set forth in a warrant article or a resolution, then the individuals responsible for carrying out your determination must do so in an honest and forthright manner. To do otherwise constitutes either nonfeasance (failure to act, failure to do what ought to be done), misfeasance (the performance of a lawful action in an illegal or improper manner), or on rare occasions, may even constitute malfeasance (wrong doing or misconduct especially by a public official). By way of examples, your attention is invited to the following.

One of the fundamental purposes of planning and zoning laws is to place authority in the hands of planning and zoning boards in order to remove as much as possible vested interest and/or political motivation from the decision making processes of boards of selectmen. A perfect example of how failure to act in manner which you, the voters, specified on March 16, 1985 when you adopted the "Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Ashland, NH" by a vote of 243 to 132 is what didn't happen when the Planning Board made a recommendation to the applicants seeking approval for the then proposed elderly housing project. The Planning Board determined that the matter did not fall within their jurisdiction, but rather was a matter for consideration by the (zoning) Board of Adjustment. However, before the proposal was submitted to the Board of Adjustment, a majority of the members of the Board of Selectmen ordered the issuance of a building permit, thereby circumventing one of the policies you, the voters, elected to put in place.

Annually in the past the voters have authorized "...the Selectmen to transfer tax liens and convey property acquired by the Town of Ashland by Tax Collector's Deed, by public auction (or advertised sealed bid), or in such manner as determined by Selectmen as justice may require per RSA 80:42." It is the duty of the Board of Selectmen to see to it that action taken pursuant to such an article is carried out in a lawful manner. To do otherwise constitutes misfeasance on the part of the majority of the Board of Selectmen and needlessly and unduly exposes the taxpayers of the town to assumption of the costs attendant to litigation as well as any damages which may be assessed upon the Town of Ashland by the Courts. At present the Town of Ashland is exposed to incurring substantial financial loss, not as a result of any failure on the part of the town's Tax Collector, but rather as a result of past tax sale practices erroneously set in motion by the Board of Selectmen before they even acknowledged the existence of the validly recorded deed.

The state legislature has given the Board of Selectmen the authority to contract on behalf of the Town of Ashland. This right to contract gives the majority of the members of the Board of Selectmen the right to bind the tax-

payers to financial commitments entered into on your behalf and a valid contract once executed is binding upon the parties in accordance with the terms set forth therein. Such a contract was entered into by the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town of Ashland on June 1, 1983 and in connection therewith the Town purchased building materials and engaged the services of a contractor to construct and/or reconstruct certain sewers within the Town

The contractor, acting in good faith, performed in accordance with the contract until such time as he was instructed by a majority of the members of the Board of Selectmen to cease and desist from doing any further construction, even though more than 50% (fifty percent) of the project had been completed. The project was to have been performed under a design and build contract which required that the contractor provide the engineering necessary to performance. To the point at which he was interrupted, the contractor met his obligation to the Town. But, has the Town met its obligation to the contractor?

Since the time that the contractor was instructed to cease and desist, and while the June 1, 1983 contract continues to be in full force and effect, a majority of the members of the Board of Selectmen, arbitrarily, capriciously and in a fashion which may well lead to breaching of the June 1, 1983 contract, have spent taxpayer's moneys on the duplication of a service that the Town has already purchased. Furthermore, a majority of the members of the Board of Selectmen ignored the vote of the Town in which the voters set the policy and gave direction concerning implementation of the project detailed in Article 15, as amended and approved by the voters on March 16, 1985. Secondarily, the majority of the members of the Board of Selectmen have failed to carry out the vote of the Town after Article 11 was adopted on March 7, 1981.

Throughout the years the manner in which your votes have been counted has been refined to the point where the outcome of your vote is known as soon as possible, usually within two hours following the closing of the polls. The streamlining of the vote counting process would not have been possible were it not for the efficiency of our election officials. On behalf of the Town I wish to thank our election officials. The Town and your moderator owes them a debt of gratitude. They are: Assistant moderators - Diana L. Farrell, Donald R. Knowlton, Sr., Marion K. Merrill, and Robert E. Tucker; Town Clerk — Rosemarie G. McNamara; Supervisors of the Checklist — Virginia Danforth and Thelma Lyford; Ballot Clerks — Clara M. Hinds, Jeanette Lee, Gwen Newton and Adrienne Sanborn; Volunteer Ballot Clerks - Joyce Bavis, Margaret Dobbie, Joan Doggett, Mark Hormell, Francis Murdock, Mary Murdock, Thomas Peters, Philip Preston, Mary Ruell, Patricia Tucker and Paul

Wilson; Selectmen - Hilda Harris, John Hughes and James Rollins; and Chief of Police - Ernest A. Paquette.

Finally, it is appropriate to acknowledge the passing of Clara M. Hinds who, for a large part of her 85 years, was a dedicated election official in the Town of Ashland and a devoted public servant. Those of us who have worked with her are better for having known her and she will surely be missed.

Respectfully submitted, Glenn W. Bricker, M.D., Moderator

## Town Officials and Boards 1985

Selectmen	
Hilda M. Harris	1986
John C. Hughes	1987
James H. Rollins	1988
<b>Utility Commissioners</b>	
Robert E. Tucker	1986
Francis D. McNamara	1987
Kendall L. Hughes	1988
Tax Collector/Town Clerk	
Rosemarie McNamara	1987
Deputy: Susan M. Ober	1987
Deputy: Patricia Tucker	1987
Sub Register: Edward Dupuis	1987
Town Treasurer	
Gloria R. Gammons	1986
Moderator	
Glenn W. Bricker	1986
Assistant: Diana Farrell	
Assistant: Marion Merrill	
Assistant: John Van Stelten	
Assistant: Robert E. Tucker	
Assistant: Donald R. Knowlton	
<b>Town Trustees</b>	
Richard Ash	1986
Richard Ogden	1987
Edward A. Dupuis	1988
Library Trustees	
Beverly Manyk-Morton	1986
Lorraine Marsh	1987
Sheila Page	1988

**Budget Committee** 

John W. Laverack, Jr.	1986
Richard Ogden	1986
Linda Guyotte	1986
David Ruell	1986
<b>Beatrice Moody</b>	1987
Kendall Hughes	1987
Arline Wilson	1988
Joanne Hrdlicka	1988

Hilda M. Harris
1986 Selectmen Ex-Officio
John C. Longley
1986 School Board Ex-Officio

**Fire Wards** 

Albert Blake 1986 Robert Duclos 1987 Stephen Uhlman 1988

Supervisors of the Checklist

Thelma Lyford 1988 Virginia Danforth 1990

Overseer of Welfare

Susan M. Ober 1986 Resigned 1/13/86

#### **Appointed Officials**

**Town Business Administrator** 

Frederick W. Welch Resigned 2/28/85

Donald R. Rich

Fire Department

Chief

Norman Marsh Assistant Fire Chiefs

Merritt "Skip" Fields 1st Deputy

Arthur Prince 2nd Deputy Resigned

Arland Sawyer 2nd Deputy

Superintendent of the Electric Department

Thomas E. Marsh

Superintendent of the Water and Sanitary Departments

Wayne L. Hughes

Police Department Chief Ernest A. Paquette Sergeant Norman "Scott" Weden Patrolmen Peter Gardner George Faran Specials Kenneth Bandilla Philip P. Defosses Paul Holt, Sr. Francis D. McNamara Resigned John J. Horgan Eric Kaminsky John Morgan Police Matron Pauline Heath **Planning Board David Paquette** 1986 David Ruell 1986 David Brown 1987 Resigned 6/20/85 Michael Myshrall 1987 Philip Preston 1987 Francis Murdock Resigned 9/6/85 1990 Edward Hubbard 1990 **Alternate Members** Richard O'Brien 1987 **Beverly Morton** 1988 **Zoning Board of Adjustment** Norman Beane 1986 Michael A. Hunter 1987 Elwood Havlock 1987 Philip Preston 1988 Patricia Koning 1988 Alternate Members Constance Leibowitz 1986

1986

Nancy Ober

#### **Parks and Recreation**

Katherine Marsh	1986
Thomas Winn	1987
Robert Tucker	1987
Patricia Koning	1988
Herbert Story	1988

#### Highway Agent Mark W. Ober

#### Health Officer David Ruell

#### Scribner Memorial Trustees

Samuel Norman	1986
Raymond Burke Sr.	1987

### EMS District A-5 Representative

Fawn K. Stickney

### **Building Inspector**

Francis Murdock	Resigned 9/6/85
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#### **Economic and Industrial Development**

James Rollins	1987
Michael Myshrall	1987
Katherine Harriman	1987
Marion Merrill	1987
Samuel Laverack	1987

#### **Historical Commission**

Mary Ruell	1986
Sherry Norman	1986

### Ashland Town Warrant 1985

#### The State of New Hampshire

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 the Ashland Fire Station in said Town on Tuesday, March 12, 1985 at 9:00 AM in the forenoon to act upon the following articles:

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

ARTICLE 2. To vote upon the proposed zoning article as recommended by the Planning Board by approving the following question:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the zoning ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

Y	es	No
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ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the combined Office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector in accordance with RSA 41:45-A. This vote to take effect at the 1987 Annual Town Election.

Yes	No
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ARTICLE 4. To vote upon the proposed amendment to the Building Code of the Town of Ashland as recommended by the Planning Board by approving the following question:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the Amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Building Code as follows:

Add a New Article VIII

Article VIII, Appeals

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Building Inspector may appeal to the Ashland Board of Selectmen, which shall serve as the Building Code of Appeals. (If the Town of Ashland adopts a zoning ordinance, then the Zoning Board of Adjustment shall serve as the Building Code Board of Appeals.) The Board of Appeals may vary the application of any provision of the Building Code in any case when the enforcement of the Building Code

would do manifest injustice and would be contrary to the spirit and purpose of the Building Code and the Public Interest.

Renumber the present Article VIII as Article IX;
Renumber the present Article IX as Article X;
Renumber the present Article X as Article XI;
Renumber the present Article XI as Article XII;
Renumber the present Article XII as Article XIII.?

Yes No

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-F, known as the Adjusted Elderly Exemption, by inclusion on the Official Ballot of the Following Question "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-f for the Adjusted Elderly Exemption from Property Tax?" Such adjusted Elderly Exemption to become effective on April 1, 1985, if approved by ballot.

**ARTICLE 6.** To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-five.

James H. Rollins Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Board of Selectmen, Ashland, NH

A true copy of Warrant, Attest:

James H. Rollins Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Board of Selectmen, Ashland, NH

NOTE: The business portion of the Town Meeting for the ensuing year will be held Saturday, March 16, 1985, at 6:00 PM at the Ashland High School Gymnasium.

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentions, by posting up an attested copy of the within WARRANT at the place of the meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the TOWN OFFICE, being a public place in said Town, on the nineteenth day of February 1985.

James H. Rollins Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Selectmen, Ashland, NH

**Grafton County SS** 

Rosemarie McNamara Notary Public My Commission Expires: 5/26/86

### Ashland Town Warrant 1985

#### State of New Hampshire

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 the Ashland Gymnasium in said Town on Saturday, March 16, 1985, at 6 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles.

NOTICE: Town Officers to be elected at the General Town and School Election to be held at the Ashland Fire Station beginning at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 12, 1985.

ARTICLE 1. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,825,000.00 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend up to \$1,825,000.00 for the Ashland Water Department for improvements to the water system; said sum shall be made available by borrowing \$1,050,000.00 for this project in accordance with provisions of New Hampshire Statutes through the issuance of Bonds to the United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration, or to any other lending institution whose interest rate is competitive, to be paid back from property tax revenues over a period not to exceed thirty (30) years and by accepting a grant of up to \$775,000.00 from the United States Department of Agriculture to pay for the balance of the project costs. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to borrow or to authorize bonding for a period not to exceed ten (10) years and to expend the sum of \$125,000.00 for the reconstruction and complete replacement of Little Squam Bridge, or to act on anything relative thereto. (Not recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-F, known as the Adjusted Elderly Exemption, by inclusion on the Official Ballot of the Following Question "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-f for the Adjusted Elderly Exemptions from Property Tax?" (This question to appear on the official ballot) Such Adjusted Elderly Exemption to become effective on April 1, 1985, if approved by ballot.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Building Code of the Town of Ashland as recommended by the Planning Board by approving the following question:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Building Code as follows:

Add a new Article VIII

Article VIII. APPEALS

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Building Inspector may appear to the Ashland Board of Selectmen, which shall serve as the Building Code Board of Appeals. (If the Town of Ashland adopts a zoning ordinance, then the Zoning Board of Adjustment shall serve as the Building Code Board of Appeals.) The Board of Appeals may vary the application of any provision of the Building Code in any case when the enforcement of the Building Code would do manifest injustice and would be contrary to the spirit and purpose of the Building Code and the public interest.

Renumber the present Article VIII as Article IX; Renumber the present Article IX as Article X; Renumber the present Article X as Article XI; Renumber the present Article XI as Article XII; Renumber the present Article XII as Article XIII.? (This article will appear on the Official Ballot)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the combined Office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector in accordance with RSA 41:45-A. This vote to take effect at the 1987 Annual Town Election. (This article will appear on the Official Ballot).

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint the Office of Tax Collector of the Town of Ashland, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and to authorize bonding for a period not to exceed five (5) years and to expend the sum of \$45,000.00, for the reconstruction of Little Squam Bridge (Bridge Number 113/093) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the State of New Hampshire for Town/State Bridge Aid from the State of New Hampshire and the Federal Government under the provisions of RSA 234 (State to contribute \$45,000.00 and Federal Government to contribute \$210,000.00, with construction and contracts to be issued by the State of New Hampshire), or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation the sum of \$5,000.00 to reimburse the State of New Hampshire for the

erection of a bailey bridge at the Little Squam Bridge Site should the Town not vote to petition the State of New Hampshire for Town/State Bridge Aid for the replacement of the Little Squam Bridge at the 1985 Annual Town Meeting, or to act on anything relative thereto. (Not recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and expend the sum of \$24,188.81 for the State Highway Block Grant (State to contribute \$24,188.81) or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of \$30,378.00, from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund for use as an offset against appropriations and in the amounts indicated therein.

Appropriation:

Tov	vn E	Buildings:
E	'iro	Station

r ire station	\$ 4,000.00
Highway Garage	3,000.00
Town Hall and Police Station	6,500.00
Highway Department:	
General Appropriation	9,439.00

General Appropriation Police Department:

General Appropriation 7,439.00

\$30,378.00

\$ 4 000 00

or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept a donation of \$330.00, from the Ashland Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of erecting a flag pole at the Ashland Town Hall in the Memory of Mr. Harold Buckman. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following bequests of Harriet Louise Addison:

- (1) \$1,000.00 to be known as the Addison Memorial Fund, the income therefrom to be used for the benefit of the Ashland Town Library, that such sum be accepted as a Town Trust Fund and be deposited with the Town Trustees;
- (2) \$1,000.00 to the Ashland Playground Association, now known as the Town of Ashland Parks and Recreation Commission, such funds to be added to the appropriation for 1985, and to be expended by the Commission for Capitol Equipment. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of RSA 80:52 and grant a discount of 2% from Property Taxes to any taxpayer who shall pay all taxes due on or before their due dates as prescribed by statute, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant to the southerly abutter to the Sewage Treatment Plant a limited right to pass and repass over land of the Town of Ashland subject to the following conditions (1) that the right to pass and repass is for the sole and limited purpose of ingress and egress from the property of the abutter; (2) that such right shall be valid provided that the abutter's land is used for agricultural purposes only; (3) that such right shall cease if the land is subdivided; (4) that the cost of any land improvement on the Town's property and/or bridge construction and maintenance in relation thereto shall be borne by the abutter and be acceptable to the Selectmen; (5) that all legal fees and costs attendent to surveying the property be borne by the abutter; (6) that the abutter erect fences and control devices at his expense and satisfactory to the Selectmen; and (7) that the abutter carry public liability insurance approved by the Selectmen which would save the Town harmless against any and all claims arising out of accidents or injuries occuring on the Town's property or arising out of the use of said property, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to withdraw and expend the sum of \$100,000.00 from the Sanitary Department Main Extension Capitol Reserve Fund to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen solely for the construction and reconstruction of Sanitary Mains, Laterals and House Connections, the repair of public and private property disturbed by such construction and for engineering services in connection therewith, such construction to take place on and in connection with the extension or renewal of sanitary sewers serving structures on Pleasant Street, Mechanic Street, Hill Street between Pleasant and Mechanic Streets, Main Street and Prospect Street, or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue Hill Terrace as a Town Road from Hill Street to its end as was laid out by the Board of Selectmen on July 26, 1935, subject to the continuation of all utility usages and drainage, now existing. All in accordance with RSA 231:43 and RSA 231:46.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of property taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept such prepayment as provided by RSA 80:52-a, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend without further vote of the Town, Federal and State grants which may become available during the course of the year, and also to accept and expend money from any government units or private sources to be used for purposes for which Towns may legally appropriate money; provided (1) that such grants and other monies do not require the expenditure of other Town funds not specifically appropriated for the particular purpose for which the grant or other monies are received, (2) that a public hearing shall be held by the Board of Selectmen, and (3) that such items shall be exempt from all the provisions of RSA 32, relative to limitations and expenditures of Town monies, all as provided by RSA 31:95-B, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer tax liens and convey property acquired by the Town of Ashland by Tax Collector's Deed, by public auction or advertised sealed bid or in such manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require per RSA 70:42, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell surplus or obsolete supplies and equipment by public auction or sealed bid or to transfer items of historical significance to the Ashland Historical Society without further vote of the Town, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow such sums in anticipation of Taxes, from such sources, upon such terms and conditions as they deem advisable and prudent for the operation of the Town, and to execute such documents on behalf of the Town as may be reasonably necessary to accomplish this purpose, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Reports of its Board's, Commission's, Committee's and Officer's for the year 1984, subject to the correction of errors when and if found.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations of the same, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee and to pass any vote in relation thereto, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Ashland:

#### Article 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Purpose. It is the intent of this Ordinance to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of the Town of Ashland by establishing a set of regulations that will guide the community's growth so as to protect the value of homes and lands, to promote good civic design, and to insure the wise and efficient expenditure of public funds.
- 1.2 Authority. Pursuant to the authority conferred by Chapter 674, Sections 16-23, New Hampshire RSA 1955, as amended, and in conformity with the Town of Ashland Comprehensive Master Plan, this Ordinance is enacted by the voters of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, in official Town Meeting.
- 1.3 Title. This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the "Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Ashland, NH."

#### Article 2. DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT REGULATIONS

- 2.1 Districts. The Town of Ashland is divided into the following districts:
  - Commercial (C)
  - Industrial (I)
  - Village Residential (VR)
  - Rural Residential (RR)

These districts, as established, as shown on the "Zoning Map of the Town of Ashland," in which is hereby declared to be a part of this Ordinance. Where there is doubt as to the location of a zoning district boundary, the Board of Adjustment shall determine the location of such boundary, consistent with the intent of this Ordinance and the Zoning Map.

#### 2.2 District Regulations

2.2a Commercial. The purpose of this district shall be primarily for retail and service type shopping facilities, offices, and banking facilities. The area shall provide access, parking, adequate lighting, good design and similar related items for convenience and safety. The following uses are permitted:

- stores and shops for the conduct of any wholesale or retail business
- offices, banks, personal services, and medical facilities
- auto service stations and garage
- theatres, hall and clubs
- lodging facilities, hotels, motels, and restaurants
- residential uses including apartments
- accessory uses

- 2.2b Industrial. The purpose of this district shall be to encourage the establishment of industrial plants that will not be noxious, offensive, or detrimental to the environment, the town, or the abutter. The following uses are permitted:
  - manufacturing, packing, processing, and warehousing
  - railroad and trucking uses, offices, and printing facilities
  - research and/or testing facilities
  - storage yards
  - accessory uses
- 2.2c Village Residential. This district provides for residential neighborhoods that are adjacent or close to commercial areas, schools, and fire and police protection. Areas designated as "Village Residential" are generally served by the public water and sewer lines. The following uses are permitted:
  - single and two-family dwellings
  - multi-family dwellings
  - home businesses as defined in Article 10
  - accessory uses (garages and outbuildings)
- 2.2d Rural Residential. This district provides for low to medium density rural living, open space, and the protection of environmentally sensitive areas (such as wetlands, floodplains, poor soils, and steep slopes). The following uses are permitted:
  - single and two-family dwellings
  - multi-family dwellings with no more than six units per structure
  - cluster residential development
  - mobile homes on individual lots
  - agricultural, forestry, and farming uses
  - home businesses as defined in Article 10
  - accessory uses (garages and outbuildings)
  - 2.3 Land and Space Requirements
- 2.3a There shall be a minimum distance of thirty-five feet between the edge of any public right-of-way and any building
- 2.3b No water supply, septic tank, leach field, or private driveway shall be located within fifteen feet of any boundary
- 2.3c Minimum Lot Sizes, Frontages, and Setbacks. Lots and buildings shall conform to the following minimum standards:

District	Minimum Lot Size	Minimum Lot	Minimum Building Setback from Lot Lines			
S&W =		Frontage	(feet)			
sewer & water	(sq ft)	(feet)	front /	rear	/	side
Commercial w/S&W	none	100(&)	35 (#)	15 (#)		15(#)
Commercial w/o S&W	40,000(+)	100	35	15		15
Industrial	40,000(+)	150	35	25		25
Village Res w/S&W	15,000	100	35	15		15
Village Res w/o S&W	40,000(+)	100	35	15		15
Rural Residential	40,000(+)	150	35	25		25

(+) Or as determined by the soils and slopes table in the Ashland Subdivision Regulations.

(&) Minimum lot frontage may be reduced where lot sizes of less than 40,000 square feet are permitted.

(#) A commercial building need not be set back more than the average of the front setback of commercial buildings on the lot adjacent to either side. If a vacant lot exists on one side, the minimum front setback shall be required. The minimum side and rear setbacks may be reduced to conform with the side and rear setbacks of structures on adjoining properties at the discretion of the Board of Adjustment.

#### Article 3. SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS

- 3.1 Uses Allowed by Special Exception. Uses of land and buildings other than those listed under each district may be allowed as a special exception only by approval of the Board of Adjustment, provided that
- the land use impact on the environment, the particular site in question, and on abutting landowners is not negative; and provided that
- each of the standards and other requirements contained in this Ordinance are complied with; and only after
- the Planning Board has reviewed the proposed plan and submitted its written recommendations to the Board of Adjustment prior to a scheduled public hearing of appeal is outlined in 3.2.
- 3.2 Procedure for Special Exception. A special exception use will require an application and a site plan submitted to the Board of Adjustment.
- 3.2a The site plan for a proposed development which necessitates a special exception shall contain, where applicable:
- the lot dimensions of existing or required service areas, buffer zones, landscaped areas, recreation areas, sign, right-of-way, streams, drainage, and easements:

- all existing and proposed buildings, additions or other structures with their dimensions;
  - all setback dimensions (front, rear, side) and building heights;
  - computed lot and building areas with percentages of lot occupancy;
- the location and number of parking spaces and traffic lanes with their dimensions;
  - any required loading, unloading, and trash storage areas.
- 3.2b All abutters of any proposed land use not permitted under Article 2 shall be notified by the Board of Adjustment by certified mail, return receipt requested, not less than fifteen days before the date of any public hearing regarding said site. The names and addresses of the abutters shall be supplied by the applicant on a plat plan to be submitted to the Board of Adjustment.
- 3.2c The applicant shall pay the total costs of advertising and posting any hearings, the cost of certified mailings, and any necessary site inspection fees.

#### Article 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 4.1 Obnoxious Use. Any use that may be obnoxious or injurious by reason of production or emission of odor, dust, smoke, refuse matter, fumes, noise, vibration, or similar conditions, or that is dangerous to the comfort, peace, enjoyment, health, or safety of the community or lending to its disturbance or annoyance, is prohibited.
- 4.2 Keeping of Farm Animals. The keeping of farm animals (including cows, goats, horses, pigs, and sheep) shall be prohibited within the Commercial, Industrial, and Village Residential districts on lots of less than 40,000 square feet. The keeping of small animals (chicken, rabbits, etc) in small number and for personal use and enjoyment is permitted.

#### Article 5. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

5.1 Waterfront Access. This provision provides guidelines for the development of backland with access to Little Squam Lake, and the Squam and Pemigewasset rivers so as to prevent overcrowding and to protect water quality.

Rights to gain access to a water body through or by means of any land in the Town of Ashland shall not be created or attached to any real estate, except in accordance with the standards set forth below and subject to Planning Board approval. Any owner granting rights of use and access shall comply with the following standards:

- 5.1a The minimum area of any waterfront access lot shall be the greater of: a) one acre or; b) eight hundred square feet per residential dwelling unit, individual recreational campsite, or individual lodging unit.
- 5.1b A waterfront access lot shall have not less than two hundred linear feet of shore frontage for up to ten residential dwelling units, individual campsites, or individual lodging units with granted rights of use or access. Each additional such unit or campsite shall require an additional twenty linear feet of shore frontage.
- 5.1c A parking area of three hundred square feet adjacent to the water-front access lot shall be provided for each dwelling unit, recreational campsite, or individual lodging unit located in excess of one thousand feet from the waterfront property to which it has granted access. Parking shall be permitted only in the designated parking area.
- 5.2d One toilet facility shall be provided on the water-front access lot for each ten residential dwelling units, individual campsites, or individual lodging unit; or fraction thereof.

#### Article 6. NON CONFORMING USES

- 6.1 All non-conforming properties in active use when this Ordinance is adopted may continue in their present use.
- 6.2 If a use is discontinued or abandoned for one year, it shall thereafter conform to the regulations for the district, and the non-conforming use may not thereafter be resumed without approval of the Board of Adjustment.
- 6.3 Any and all non-conforming property may be altered and expanded as the business conditions warrant, provided, however, that any such expansion does not make any existing non-conforming structure a more non-conforming structure within the terms of this Ordinance and provided that all other standards of this Ordinance are met.
- 6.4 Non-conforming buildings which are destroyed by fire or other natural disaster may be rebuilt or replaced if the degree of non-conformity is not increased.

#### Article 7. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

7.1 Creation, Appointment, and Jurisdiction. Within thirty days after the adoption of this Ordinance, and thereafter as terms or vacancies occur, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Board of Adjustment consisting of five

members whose duties, terms, and powers shall conform to the provisions of Chapters 673, 674, 676 and 677 RSA 1955, as amended. The Board of Adjustment may also include not more than three alternate members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. No person may be appointed to more than three consecutive terms as a member of the Board of Adjustment.

#### 7.2 Appeals

7.2a Appeals to the Board of Adjustment may be taken by any aggrieved person or by any officer, department, board, or bureau of the Town of Ashland affected by any decision of the administrative officer in the manner prescribed by RSA 674:34 and 675:5-7 within the time limit set by the Board of Adjustment according to said stature.

7.2b Prior to a hearing, the costs of advertising, posting and mailing the notices of the hearing shall be paid by the person making the appeal.

7.3 Special Exceptions. The Board of Adjustment may, in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, grant a permit for a special exception. Before doing so, the Board shall determine that all the provisions set forth in Articles 3 & 4 and all other conditions enumerated in the Ordinance are met; and it shall hold an abutters' hearing to hear any valid objections based on demonstrable fact.

7.3a The Board may approve a special exception only if

- the specific site is an appropriate location for the intended use or structure
  - the use will be compatible with neighboring land uses
  - the property values in the district will not be reduced by such a use
  - there will be no nuisance or serious hazard to vehicles or pedestrians
- adequate and appropriate facilities will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use
- the proposed use will comply with the minimum lot sizes, frontage, and setback requirements set forth in  $2.3\,$
- existing roads and highways are capable of carrying the additional traffic.
- 7.3b The Board may impose additional standards in granting a special exception where deemed necessary to protect the best interest of the surrounding property, the neighborhood, or the town as a whole. These standards may include:
- increasing the required lot size or setback in order to protect the adjacent properties
  - limiting the lot coverage or height of buildings

- controling the location and number of vehicular access points to the property

- requiring suitable on-site landscaping and screening where necessary to reduce noise and glare and to maintain the property in character with the

surrounding area

- providing for specific layout of facilities on the property such as the locations of buildings, parking spaces, and access to the building so as to minimize the effect on adjoining property

- requiring the lot to be of sufficient size to support an adequate subsurface sewage disposal system in the case of conversions of existing structures to more intensive use
- requiring professional inspection of, and improvements to, an existing subsurface sewage disposal system  $\,$

#### 7.4 Variances

7.4a Variances may be granted only after a public hearing held in accordance with NH RSA 676:7. All abutters of the property in question shall be notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, not less than fifteen days before the date of any public hearing regarding the requested variance. The costs of abutters' notices and of advertising and posting the hearing shall be paid by the applicant for the variance.

7.4b The Board of Adjustment may, on an appeal, grant a variance from the provisions of this Ordinance only where the Board finds that all of the following conditions apply:

- There are special features peculiar to the lot of structure (such as shape, or topography) that application of this Ordinance will deprive an owner of such lot of structure of a reasonable use of it and will impose upon such owner a hardship not shared by the owners of other lots or structures in the same district. (Financial hardship does not constitute "hardship" in this case.)

- The specific variance, if granted, represents the minimum variance that will afford reasonable relief to the owner, and it is necessary for a reasonable use of the lot or structure

- the use proposed is a permitted use in its district, as described under  ${\sf Article}\ 2$ 

7.4c Rehearings. The selectmen, any party subject to an order or a decision of the Board of Adjustment, and any party directly affected by such as order or decision may apply for a rehearing. The application for a rehearing shall be treated according to NH RSA 677.

#### Article 8. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

8.1 Issuing Permits. The Building Inspector shall issue all building permits required in accordance with the Town of Ashland Building Regulations.

No permit shall be issued for the erection of any structure or for the use of land unless the proposal complies with the provisions of the Ordinance.

#### 8.2 Enforcement

8.2a Upon receiving any credible information that this Ordinance is being violated, and upon an affirmative vote that a violation more probably is being committed, the Selectmen are authorized hereby to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance by application for appropriate relief in the Superior Court, or by taking any other legal action.

8.2b Any violation of any provisions of this Ordinance by any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity, whether the owner of property or whether acting under authority of such owner, shall be a violation pursuant to the Criminal Code of New Hampshire for each day of such offense. In addition, after conviction, the additional penalties provided for by RSA 676:19 may apply.

#### Article 9. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 9.1 Saving Clause. The invalidity of any provisions of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provisions.
- 9.2 Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.
- 9.3 Amendments. This Ordinance may be amended by majority vote of any Town meeting, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 675 as amended.
- 9.4 Validity. Whenever the provisions of this Ordinance or rulings made under the authority hereof differ from those of other ordinances or regulations of the town, that provisions or ruling which imposes the greater restriction or the higher standard shall govern.

#### Article 10. DEFINITIONS

10.1 For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms are defined:

Abutter — Any person whose property adjoins or is directly across the street or stream from the land under consideration. For the purposes of receiving testimony only, and not for purposes of notification, the term abutter shall include any person who is able to demonstrate that his land will be directly affected by the proposal under consideration.

Accessory Building — A subordinate building incidental to and on the same lot occupied by the main building or use. The term "accessory building" when used in connection with a farm, shall include all buildings customarily used for farm purposes.

Building — Any structure having a roof intended for the shelter, housing, or enclosure of persons, animals or property.

Cluster Development — Means a pattern of subdivision development which places housing units into compact groupings while providing a network of commonly owned or dedicated open space.

Dwelling, Single-Family — A detached residential building other than a mobile home, designed for and occupied by one family only.

Dwelling, Multi-Family — A residential building designed for or occupied by three or more families, with the number of families in residence not exceeding the number of dwelling units provided or permitted.

Dwelling Unit — One room, or rooms connected together, constituting a separate, independent housekeeping establishment for owner occupancy, rental, or lease, physically separated from any other rooms or dwelling units which may be in the same structure, and containing independent cooking, sanitary, and sleeping facilities. It shall include sectional homes and modular units, provided these units meet the standards of the local building code; but it shall not include mobile homes, motels, hotels, lodging house, or similar structures.

Home Business — Any business (including professional or service businesses, cottage industries, and home occupations or trades) conducted within a dwelling by the residents thereof which employs no more than two persons other than family members and which does not materially affect the residential character of the building or area.

Lot — A parcel of land of sufficient size to meet minimum zoning requirements for use, building coverage, setback, and area.

Lot Frontage — Lot width measured at the street. When a lot faces more than one street, it must have the minimum width on each street.

Manufactured Housing/Mobile Home — A detached, complete, and transportable structure (with plumbing, heating, and electrical systems contained therein) built on a permanent chasis and designed to be used as dwelling with or without a permanent foundation. Sectional homes, modular homes, and prefabricated homes are excepted and do not apply.

Non-Conforming Structure, Use, or Lot — A structure, use or lot that does not conform to the regulations of the zoning district in which it is carried on or located.

**Parking Space** — An off-street space available for the parking of one motor vehicle.

Special Exception — A use of a building or lot which may be permitted under this Ordinance 1) only upon application to the Board of Adjustment and subject to the approval of that Board when such use would not be detrimental to the public health, safety, order, comfort, convenience, appearance, prosperity, or general welfare, and 2) only in cases where the words "Special Exception" in this Ordinance pertain.

**Shore Frontage** — The measured distance along the natural shoreline at high water.

Street or Public Street — A public right-of-way which the town or state has the duty to maintain regularly, or right-of-way shown on a subdivision plat approved by the Planning Board, recorded with the County Register of Deeds, and providing the principal means of access to abutting property.

Structure — Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground or attachment to something having location on the ground. It shall not include a minor installation, such as a fence less than six feet high, a mailbox, or a flagpole.

Variance — A relaxation of the terms of the Ordinance, where such relaxation will not be contrary to the public interest, and where, owing to conditions peculiar to the property, a literal enforcement of the Ordinance would result in unnecessary and undue hardship.

Waterfront Access Lot — A waterfront lot with right of use granted to owners or users of other lots, dwelling units, campsites, or lodging units.

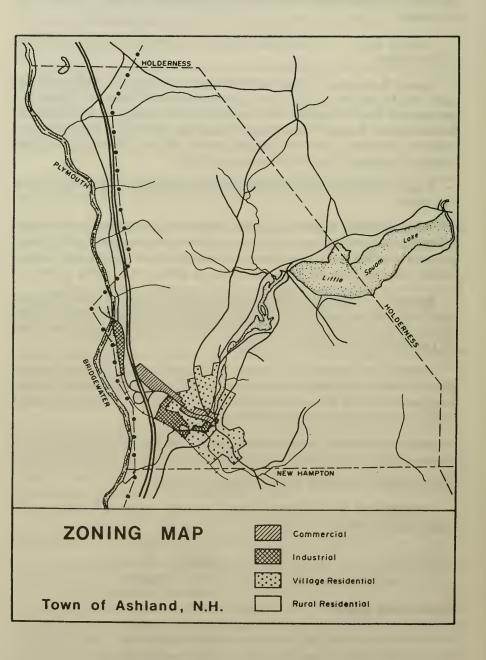
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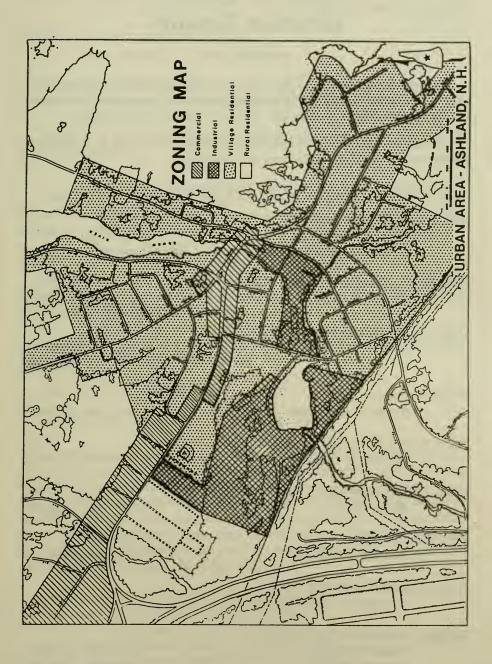
**ARTICLE 26.** To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

James H. Rollins Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Board of Selectmen

Attest, a true copy:

James H. Rollins Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Board of Selectmen





## Town of Ashland Election Results

March 12, 1985

In accordance with the Town of Ashland legally signed and posted warrant by the Ashland Board of Selectmen, the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Glenn W. Bricker, MD at the Ashland Fire Station.

It was moved, seconded and adopted to close the polls at 6 PM. The Moderator declared the polls open for balloting.

ARTICLE 1: The results of the balloting were as follows:

Selectmen for Three Years:

Kenneth Lee Needs 88 votes

James H. Rollins 269 votes Elected

**Utility Commissioner for Three Years:** 

Kendall L. Hughes 302 votes Elected

Utility Commissioner for One Year:

Robert E. Tucker 16 Write In's

Elected

Treasurer for One Year:

Gloria R. Gammons 364 votes Elected

Town Trustee for Three Years:

Edward A. Dupuis 344 votes Elected

Library Trustee for Three Years:

Sheila Page 349 votes Elected

Fire Ward for Three Years:

Stephen D. Uhlman 353 votes Elected

**Budget Committee for One Year:** 

2 vacancies — no one elected

**Budget Committee for Three Years:** 

Joanne Hrdlicka 222 votes Elected
Arline E. Wilson 252 votes Elected

2 vacancies remaining — no one elected

Overseer of Welfare for One Year: Susan M. Ober

318 votes Elected

Supervisor of the Checklist for One Year: no one elected

ARTICLE 2. The result of the proposed zoning article as recommended by the Planning Board by approving the following question:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the zoning ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

Yes 243

No 132

ARTICLE 3. The result to see if the Town will vote to discontinue the combined Office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector in accordance with RSA 41:45-A are as follows. This vote to take effect at the 1987 Annual Town Election.

Yes 212

No 155

ARTICLE 4. The result of the vote to vote upon the proposed amendment to the Building Code of the Town of Ashland as recommended by the Planning Board by approving the following question are as follows:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the Amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Building Code as follows:

Add a New Article VIII

Article VIII, Appeals

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Building Inspector may appeal to the Ashland Board of Selectmen, which shall serve as the Building Code of Appeals. (If the Town of Ashland adopts a zoning ordinance, then the Zoning Board of Adjustment shall serve as the Building Code Board of Appeals.) The Board of Appeals may vary the application of any provision of the Building Code in any case when the enforcement of the Building Code would do manifest injustice and would be contrary to the spirit and purpose of the Building Code and the Public Interest.

Renumber the present Article VIII as Article IX;
Renumber the present Article IX as Article X;
Renumber the present Article X as Article XI;
Renumber the present Article XI as Article XII;
Renumber the present Article XII as Article XIII.?

Yes 219

No 94

ARTICLE 5. The result of the vote to see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-F, known as the Adjusted Elderly Exemption, by inclusion on the Official Ballot of the Following Question "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-f for the Adjusted Elderly Exemption from Property Tax?" are as follows. Such adjusted Elderly Exemption to become effective on April 1, 1985, if approved by ballot.

Yes 313 No 50

ARTICLE 6. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

The Moderator declared the polls closed at 6 PM. The following people acted as ballot counters: Margaret Dobbie, Francis Murdock, Mary Murdock; Mary Ruell, Patricia Tucker, Robert Tucker, Marion Merrill, Hilda Harris, Joan Doggett, Thomas Peters, Philip Preston, Paul Wilson, Mark Hormell and Joyce Bavis.

The Moderator swore in James H. Rollins. The Town Clerk swore in Kendall L. Hughes, Robert E. Tucker, Gloria R. Gammons, Edward A. Dupuis, Sheila Page, Stephen D. Uhlman, Joanne Hrdlicka, Arline E. Wilson, and Susan M. Ober.

Respectfully submitted: Rosemarie McNamara Town Clerk

### **Town Meeting Minutes**

March 16, 1985 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Glenn W. Bricker, Moderator at 6:00 P.M.

It was moved, seconded and adopted without discussion to go without reading the warrant articles before the beginning of the meeting.

Mr. Rollins stated that because of a pressing matter before the Town, he moved that we go to Article 26 so that a motion concerning a recommendation concerning the Bridgewater Biomass plant could be discussed. This motion was seconded. A short discussion followed. It was moved, seconded and adopted with dissent to authorize the Selectmen to do whatever is necessary to oppose the construction of the Biomass Plant in Bridgewater.

ARTICLE 1. It was moved, seconded and adopted to amend Article 1 to read as follows:

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,825,000.00 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Board of Utility Commissioners to expend up to \$1,825,000.00 for the Ashland Water Department for improvements to the water system; said sum shall be made available by borrowing \$1,050,000.00 for this project in accordance with the provisions of New Hampshire Statutes through the issuance of bonds to the United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration or to any other lending institution whose interest rate is competitive, to be paid back from property tax revenues over a period not to exceed thirty (30) years and by accepting a grant up to \$775,000.00 from the United States Department of Agriculture to pay for the balance of the project costs. Jackson Pond will continue as our source of supply until a defined Phase 2 project for a source of supply is voted.

Following a lengthy discussion a ballot vote followed. The results are as follows:

Yes 88 No 54

The people were informed that since this did not meet the necessary twothirds vote the article was defeated.

ARTICLE 2. It was moved, seconded and adopted to pass over this article until action was taken on Article 7. Following the decision of Article 7, the Moderator declared this article out of order.

ARTICLE 3. The Moderator announced that this article was adopted at the Town Elections.

ARTICLE 4. The Moderator announced that this article was adopted at Town Elections.

ARTICLE 5. The Moderator announced that this article was adopted at Town Elections.

ARTICLE 6. Following a lengthy discussion it was moved, seconded and adopted with dissent not to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint the Tax Collector in 1987.

ARTICLE 7. Following a lengthy discussion it was moved, seconded and adopted by a ballot vote of Yes 86, No 29 to raise and appropriate and to authorize bonding for a period not to exceed five (5) years to expend the sum of \$45,000.00, for the reconstruction of Little Squam Bridge (Bridge Number 113/093) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the State of New Hampshire for Town/State Bridge Aid from the State of New Hampshire and the Federal Government under the provisions of RSA 234 (State to contribute \$45,000.00 and Federal Government to contribute \$210,000.00, with construction and contracts to be issued by the State of New Hampshire), or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. The Moderator declared this article out of order.

ARTICLE 9. It was moved, seconded and adopted to raise and appropriate and expend the sum of \$24,188.81 for the State Highway Block Grant (State to contribute \$24,188.81) or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. It was moved, seconded and adopted to raise and appropriate and authorize the withdrawal of \$30,378.00, from the Federal Revenue Sharing fund for use as an offset against appropriations and in the amounts indicated therein.

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Fire Station	\$ 4,000.00
Highway Garage	3,000.00
Town Hall & Police Station	6,500.00
Highway Department:	
General Appropriation	9,439.00
Police Department:	
General Appropriations	7,439.00
	\$30.378.00

ARTICLE 11. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to accept a donation of \$330.00, from the Ashland Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of erecting a flag pole at the Ashland Town Hall in the Memory of Mr. Harold Buckman.

ARTICLE 12. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to accept the following bequests of Harriet Louise Addison:

- (1) \$1,000.00 to be known as the Addison Memorial Fund, the income therefrom to be used for the benefit of the Ashland Town Library, that such sum be accepted as a Town Trust Fund and be deposited with the Town Trustees;
- (2) \$1,000.00 to the Ashland Playground Association, known as the Town Parks and Recreation Commission, such funds to be added to the appropriation for 1985, and to be expended by the Commission for Capitol Equipment.

ARTICLE 13. It was moved, seconded and adopted with dissent following a period of discussion to accept the provisions of RSA 80:52 and grant a discount of 2% from Property Taxes to any taxpayer who shall pay all taxes due on or before their due dates as prescribed by statute, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. It was moved, seconded, and adopted without dissent to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant to the southerly abutter to the Sewage Treatment Plant a limited right to pass and repass over land of the town of Ashland subject to the following conditions (1) that the right to pass and repass is for the sole and limited purpose of ingress and egress from the property of the abutter; (2) that such right shall be valid provided that the abutter's land is used for agricultural purposes only; (3) that such right shall cease if the land is subdivided; (4) that the cost of any land improvement on the Town's property and/or bridge construction and maintenance in relation thereto shall be borne by the abutter and be acceptable to the Selectmen; (5) that all legal fees and costs attendent to surveying the property be borne by the abutter; (6) that the abutter erect fences and control devices at his expense and satisfactory to the Selectmen; and (7) that the abutter carry public liability insurance approved by the Selectmen which would save the Town harmless against any and all claims arising out of accidents or injuries occuring on the Town's property or arising out of the use of said property, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. Following the reading of this article as written the Moderator stepped down and had Robert Tucker, Assistant Moderator in his stead for this article. Following a lengthy discussion it was moved, seconded and adopted to amend the article to read as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to withdraw and expend the sum of \$100,000.00 from the Sanitary Department Main Extension Capitol Reserve Fund to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen solely for the construction and reconstruction of Sanitary Mains, Laterals and House Connections, the repair of public and private property disturbed by such construction and for engineering services in connection herewith, such construction to take place on and in connection with the extension or renewal of sanitary sewers serving structures on Pleasant Street, Mechanic Street, Hill Street between Pleasant and Mechanic Streets, Main Street and Prospect Street and that the project be limited solely to picking up outflow from the laterals from those properties presently owned by the so called Pleasant Street Sewer Association and that not more than \$40,000.00, be spent on the project. There was a division of the house vote called on this amendment. The Assistant Moderator declared this amendment adopted.

Following this amendment the Moderator Glenn W. Bricker relieved the Assistant Moderator Robert Tucker.

It was moved, seconded and adopted to further amend to move that the Selectmen consider as part of the project for which the \$100,000.00 appropriation from Capitol Reserve is to be utilitized doing the Prospect Street sewer when they have reached a conclusion that it is a proper time to do it.

Dr. Bricker announced that there are now two amendments to be substituted for Article 15 as printed in the Warrant. Following a voice vote the Moderator declared that Article 15 as amended has been adopted.

ARTICLE 16. It was moved, seconded, and adopted without dissent to discontinue Hill Terrace as a Town Road from Hill Street to its end as was laid out by the Board of Selectmen on July 26, 1935, subject to the continuation of all utility useages and drainage, now existing. This was done all in accordance with RSA 231:43 and RSA 231:46.

ARTICLE 17. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to authorize the prepayment of property taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept such prepayment as provided in RSA 80:52-a, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend without further vote of the Town, Federal and State grants which may become available during the course of the year, and also to accept and expend money from any government units or private sources to be used for purposes for which Towns may legally appropriate money; provided (1) that such grants

and other monies do not require the expenditure of other Town funds not specifically appropriated for the particular purpose for which the grant or other monies are received, (2) that a public hearing shall be held by the Board of Selectmen, and (3) that such items shall be exempt from all the provisions of RSA 32, relative to limitations and expenditures of Town monies, all as provided by RSA 31:95-B, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer tax liens and convey property acquired by the Town of Ashland by Tax Collector's Deed, by public auction or advertised sealed bid or in such manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require per RSA 70:42, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. It was moved, seconded and adopted with discussion to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell surplus or obsolete supplies and equipment by public auction or sealed bid or to transfer items of historical significance to the Ashland Historical Society without further vote of the Town, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow such sums in anticipation of Taxes, from such sources, upon such terms and conditions as they deem advisable and prudent for the operation of the Town, and to execute such documents on behalf of the Town as may be reasonably necessary to accomplish this purpose, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to accept the Reports of its Boards, Commissions, Committees and Officers for the year 1984, subject to the correction of errors when and if found.

ARTICLE 23. It was moved, seconded and adopted without dissent to raise \$4,343,895.81 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Following a brief period of discussion, it was moved, seconded and voted to amend the sum of money to \$2,539,895.81.

ARTICLE 24. The Moderator declared this article out of order since the budget was passed in Article 23.

ARTICLE 25. The Moderator announced that this Zoning Article passed on Election Day 243 yes 132 no.

ARTICLE 26. The Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 10:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Rosemarie McNamara Town Clerk

### **Special Town Meeting**

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Ashland in County of Grafton and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Ashland Gymnasium in said Town on the eighteenth day of September, 1985, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to review and to act upon the following subject:

1. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,825,000.00 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Board of Utility Commissioners to expend up to \$1,825,000.00, for the Ashland Water Department for improvements to the water system; said sum shall be made available by borrowing \$1,050,000.00, for this project in accordance with provisions of New Hampshire Statutes through the issuance of bonds to the United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration, or to competitive, to be paid back from property tax revenues over a period not to exceed thirty (30) years and by accepting a grant of up to \$775,000.00, from the United States Department of Agriculture to pay for the balance of the project costs. Jackson Pond will continue as our source of supply until a defined Phase 2 project for a source of supply is voted.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of August 1985.

Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes James H. Rollins Board of Selectmen

A true copy of warrant - Attest:

Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes James H. Rollins Board of Selectmen

### **Special Town Meeting Minutes**

September 18, 1985 7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Donald R. Knowlton, Assistant Moderator at 7:00 PM.

The Assistant Moderator read the warrant for the meeting. The Assistant Moderator announced that since this is a special town meeting with the warrant approved by a Justice of the Superior Court we can not have any amendments to the article. If anyone present tonight has any questions, pertaining to this he will have the Town Attorney, John J. McCormack answer the questions.

It was moved, seconded and defeated by a ballot vote of 128 yes, 129 no not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,825,000.00 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Board of Utility Commissioners to expend up to \$1,825,000.00, for the Ashland Water Department for improvements to the water system; said sum shall be made available by borrowing \$1,050,000.00, for this is project in accordance with provisions of New Hampshire Statutes through the issuance of bonds to the United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration, or to other lending institutions whose interest rate is competitive, to be paid back from property tax revenues over a period not to exceed thirty (30) years and by accepting a grant of up to \$775,000.00, from the United States Department of Agriculture to pay for the balance of this project costs. Jackson Pond will continue as our source of supply until a defined Phase 2 project for a source of supply is voted.

Before ballots were cast the Assistant Moderator announced that the polls will remain open for one hour as required by law. After the ballots were cast the Moderator asked Richard Ash, Lumina Straw, John Newsom, Patricia Preuss, Carlton Abear, Thomas Winn to come forward and count the ballots.

The Assistant Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Rosemarie McNamara Town Clerk

## Summary Inventory Of Valuation 1985

Value of All the Lands:		
Assessed Value of Current Use Land	\$ 517,525.	
Assessed Value of All Other Land	13,148,450.	
Total		\$13,665,975.
Buildings		29,788,350.
Public Utilities - Electric		543,700.
Manufactured Housing Assessed as Real		
Property. (RSA 72:7-a) (Number 75)		588,750.
Blind Exemption (RSA 73:37) (Number 2)	\$ 17,500.	
Elderly Exemption (1) (RSA 72:39, 72:43a &		
72:43-f) (Number 44)	582,250.	
Total Exemptions Allowed		599,750.
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed		\$43,987,025.

### Developer's Escrow Account Road Performance 1985

Cash Balance, January 1, 1985	\$20,299.56
Interest Earned 1985	560.05
Expenditures	20,859.61
Cash Balance, December 31, 1985	.00

## **Statement of Appropriations And Taxes Assessed**

For the Tax Year 1985 of the Town of Ashland in Grafton County

#### **APPROPRIATIONS**

General Government	
Town officers' salaries	\$ 6,375.00
Town officers' expenses	59,000.00
Election and Registration expenses	1,035.00
General Government Buildings	17,730.00
Reappraisal of property	1,800.00
Planning and Zoning	1,100.00
Legal Expenses	6,000.00
Advertising and Regional Association	1,446.00
Tax Map	500.00
Industrial Development Commission	18,500.00
Public Safety	
Police Department	84,531.00
Fire Department	40,050.00
Civil Defense	25.00
Highway, Street, Bridges	140 555 00
General Highway Department Expenses	148,775.00
Street Lighting	15,700.00
Highway Subsidy	24,188.81
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Sanitation	19,883.00
Solid Waste Disposal	19,000.00
Health	
Health Department	9,525.00
Hospitals and Ambulances	9,409.00
Hospitals and Ambulances	0,100.00
Welfare	
General Assistance	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance	10,000,00

Culture and Recreation	
Library	10,115.00
Parks and Recreation	28,617.00
Patriotic Purposes	875.00
Memorial Park	100.00
	200,00
Debt Service	
Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	35,000.00
Interest Expense - Long-Term Bonds & Notes	21,560.00
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	30,000.00
Capital Outlay	
Bridges	48,801.00
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Miscellaneous	
Municipal Water Department	71,117.00
Municipal Sewer Department	212,860.00
Municipal Electric Department	1,544,000.00
FICA, Retirement & Pension Contributions	12,340.00
Insurance	43,938.00
Unemployment Compensation	2,000.00
Total Appropriations	\$2,539,895.81
SOURCES OF REVENUE	
Taxes	
Resident Taxes	11,700.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	87.00
Yield Taxes	1,000.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	35,000.00
Inventory Penalties	1,000.00
Boat Registrations	2,500.00
Resident Tax Penalties	80.00
Intergovernmental	
Shared Revenue-Block Grant	49,162.00
Highway Block Grant	24,188.81
State Aid Water Pollution Projects	32,660.00
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	58.00
Other Reimbursements	50.00
Licenses and Permits	

60,000.00

900.00

4,000.00

Motor Vehicle Permits Fees

Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees

Dog Licenses

Charges For Services	
Income From Departments	31,600.00
Rent of Town Property	4,000.00
Fine and Forfeits	250.00
Electric Department	23,100.00
Miscellaneous Revenues	
Interests on Deposits	20,000.00
Sale of Town Property	1,000.00
Timber Tax	1,500.00
Donations	1,330.00
Other Financing Sources	
Proceeds of Bonds and Long-Term Notes	45,000.00
Income from Water and Sewer Departments	183,977.00
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	100,000.00
Revenue Sharing Fund	30,378.00
Electric Department	1,544,000.00
Total Revenues and Credits	2,208,520.00
TAX RATE COMPUTATION	
Total Town Appropriations	2,539,896.00
Total Revenues and Credits	2,208,520.00
Net Town Appropriations	331,376.00
Net School Tax Assessment(s)	896,187.00
County Tax Assessment	83,917.00
Total of Town, School and County	1,311,480.00
Total of Town, School and County	1,011,100.00
DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax Reimbursement	92,418.00
ADD War Service Credits	9,050.00
ADD Overlay	67,305.00

### PROOF OF TAX RATE COMPUTATION

**Property Taxes To Be Raised** 

Valuation  $\times$  Tax Rate = Property Taxes to be Raised \$43,987,025  $\times$  \$29.45 = \$1,295,417

1,295,417.00

#### TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property Taxes to be Raised	1,295,417.00
Less War Service Credits	9,050.00
Total Tax Commitment	1.286.367.00

#### TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

Tax Rates	1984	1985
Town	4.09	8.57
County	1.73	1.83
School Dist.	16.74	19.05
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Municipal Tax Rate	22.56	29.45

## **Accountant's Report On Financial Presentation**

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

We have examined the financial statements and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 1984, as listed in the table of contents. 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 we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The Trustees of Trust Fund's records were incomplete and are not included in this report.

As described in Note 1B, the combined financial statements referred to above do not include financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, except that omission of the General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts results in an incomplete presentation, as explained in the above paragraph, and the omission of the Trustees of Trust Funds records the combined financial statements and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire at December 31, 1984, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Our examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the combined financial statements taken as a whole and on the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements. The accompanying financial information listed as supplemental schedules in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the combined financial statements of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the combined, combining, individual fund and account group financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the combined financial statements taken as a whole.

Carri-Plodzik-Sanderson

### Town Business Administrator's Report For 1985

To the Honorable Members of the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Ashland:

On May 6, 1985, I began working for Ashland as the Town Administrator. Since that time I frequently hear comments like "why isn't he controlling the Selectmen and Utility Commissioners better"? He isn't doing his job! For purposes of clarification, I don't work for the Utility Commissioners, and certainly don't control their actions. I do however, work for the Board of Selectmen, and my duties are prescribed by them.

The duties that have been assigned to me are: financial management, personnel management and supervision of the day to day operations of the town.

The greatest demand on the administrator's time is that of financial management. There were changes in purchasing procedures which resulted in greater control by the administrator over spending. As you will see, a new budget format has been designed with the expressed purpose of determining more accurate costs for the delivery of services by each department. A review of the town's computer programs was completed and we hope to make some changes in this year.

The rising cost of government services is a major problem facing all taxpayers today. The Town of Ashland is no different. The probability of a new tax reaching \$33.00 per thousand is very real. The taxpayers must face some hard decisions in 1986. Statistically the town has a higher tax burden than the state as a whole while the income level is below the state average. Your options are as follows:

- A. Do nothing, and allow the tax rate to continue to climb.
- B. Cut back or eliminate services. Which ones; the Fire Department is a paid volunteer function operational only on an emergency basis. I don't believe you would want to cut back on this public safety function. The Police Department is also a necessary function. Though the town's resident population may not be growing at an accelerated rate, your seasonal population increases substantially together with a very high seasonal traffic growth. They receive over 10,000 calls a year. The Recreation Department is essentially a self supporting function with little or no effect on the tax rate. The Highway

Department keeps the town roads passable during the winter months and tries to maintain them as well as possible given very poor roadway network to begin with in the summer. The landfill operation, like recreation, is virtually self supporting with little tax rate impact. The Administration department is necessary to make all of the above functions operate smoothly on a day to day basis.

C. Expand the tax base. At the present time the town's assessed valuation is approximately forty three million dollars (\$43,000,000.) A tax rate of \$33.00 raises about one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000.) to support town and school services. If one assumes a government inflation rate of 5% a year, we must increase our assessed value by almost \$1,000,000. a year to retain a constant tax rate. Expanding the tax base with residential land use can, and probably would mean more children in our school system, thereby reducing the net tax benefit to the town. The answer appears to be expansion of commercial and industrial tax base. This land use provided the greatest net tax income.

The Town of Ashland is not a wealthy community, as stated previously our tax burden is higher than average and our income is lower than average, therefore, an expansion of our commercial and industrial tax base appears to be a viable method of easing the town's tax burden.

In closing I would like to thank the members of the Board of Selectmen for their assistance during the year. Likewise, those hardworking individuals who compose the Town Office Staff, Rosemarie McNamara, Susan Ober and Patricia Tucker without whose help nothing would have been accomplished, as well as all town employees; also the many Citizens of the Town of Ashland for their help and assistance during the past year.

Donald T. Rich
Town Business Administrator

### Tax Collector's Report

### Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1985 Town of Ashland

-DR.-

		Levies Of:	
	1985	1984	Prior
Uncollected Taxes-Beginning of			
Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$	\$208,488.71	
Resident Taxes		1,240.00	
Land Use Taxes			
Yield Taxes	11 100 05		
Sewer Rents	11,196.95		
Taxes Committed To Collector:			
Property Taxes	1,279,522.51	101,564.45	
Resident Taxes	11,090.00		
National Bank Stock Taxes	87.00		
Yield Taxes	4,424.58		
Sewer Rents	136,723.42		
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	90.24		
Resident Taxes	1,520.00	170.00	
Sewer Rents	64.39	110.00	
	01.00		
Overpayments:	2 - 12 22		
a/c Property Taxes	3,746.28	2,378.51	
a/c Resident Taxes	260.00	90.00	
<b>Interest Collected on Delinquent</b>			
Property Taxes:	529.54	8,871.73	
Penalties Collected on Resident	Parros. 96 00	74.00	
renames confected on Resident	Taxes: 26.00	74.00	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,449,280.91	322,877.40	
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Remittances to Treasurer			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$928,344.24	308,965.92	
Resident Taxes	10,690.00	660.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	87.00	000.00	
Yield Taxes	1,720.41		
Sewer Rents	135,252.24		
Land Use Change Taxes	,		

Interest Collected During Year	529.54	8,871.73	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	26.00	74.00	
Discounts Allowed	21,290.94		
Abatements Made During Year:			
Property Taxes	2,656.59	3,465.75	
Resident Taxes	680.00		
Sewer Rents	6,100.00		
Tax Deeded Property	640.70		
Uncollected Taxes-End of Fiscal Y	Year:		
(As Per Collector's List)			
Property Taxes	330,426.56		
Resident Taxes	1,500.00	840.00	
Sewer Rents	6,632.52		
Yield Taxes	2704.17		
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,449,280.91	\$322,877.40	

### SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1985

-DR.-

	Tax Sales on Account of Levies Of			
			-	Previous
	1985	1984	1983	Years
Balance of Unredeemed				
Taxes-Beginning				
Fiscal Year*	\$	\$	\$ 95,464.83	54,210.82
Taxes Sold To Town				
During Current Fiscal				
Year**		90,666.40		
Interest Collected After				
Sale		1,050.56	8,562.75	15,598.61
Redemption Costs		737.70	628.89	367.80
Overpayments		241.97		656.59
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$	\$92,696.63	104,656.47	70,833.82

Remittances to Treasurer			
During Year:			
Redemptions	\$ \$20,833.42	34,881.46	45,493.13
Interest & Costs			
After Sale	1,788.26	9,191.64	15,966.41
<b>Abatements During Year</b>	6,059.36	7,466.74	7,929.00
Deeded To Town During			
Year	1,383.03	657.84	1,445.28
Unredeemed Taxes-End			
of Fiscal Year	62,632.56	52,458.79	
TOTAL CREDITS	 \$92,696.63	\$104,656.47	\$70,833.82

<sup>\*</sup>These sums represent the total of Unredeemed Taxes, as of January 1, 1986 (July 1, 1985) from Tax Sales held in Previous Fiscal Years.

Respectfully submitted: Rosemarie McNamara Tax Collector

<sup>\*\*</sup>Amount of Tax Sales(s) held during current fiscal years, including total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale(s).

### Town Clerk's Report 1985

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1985	\$ 25.00
Receipts: Auto Permits Dog Licenses Misc.	72,297.00 766.00 351.50
Total Paid to Town Treasurer	\$73,414.50 \$73,414.50
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1985	\$ 25.00

Respectfully submitted: Rosemarie McNamara Town Clerk

## Annual Treasurer's Report for 1985 for Ashland, N.H.

Cash on hand December 31, 1984 Total receipts through Dec. 31, 1985 Total expenses through Dec. 31, 1985	\$4,475,894.79 4,501,436.26	\$156,953.44
	25,541.47 O.D	25,541.47 O.D.
		\$131,411.97
Checking Acc't Balance		\$ 5,832.02
Revenue Sharing Acc't		16,913.71
Money Mkt. Acc't		108,515.50
Petty Cash		150.74
		\$131,411.97

This is a correct statement of the transactions of the Town Treasury, of the Town of Ashland, N.H., during the period of January 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985.

Respectfully submitted, Gloria R. Gammons, Treas.

# Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures 1985

	Appro- priations 1985	Expendi- tures 1985	(Over) Under 1985
General Government:			
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 6,375.00	\$ 6,375.00	\$ .00
Town Officers Expense	59,000.00	64,226.25	(5,226.25)
Election and Registration	1,035.00	390.90	644.10
Town Buildings	17,730.00	34,186.20	(16,456.20)
Reappraisal of Property	1,800.00	2,445.00	(645.00)
Tax Map	500.00	62.50	437.50
Industrial Development	18,500.00	13,549.90	4,950.10
Protection of Persons and			
Property:			
Police Department	84,531.00	89,332.91	(4,801.91)
Fire Department including	ŕ	1	
Forest fires	40,050.00	36,104.78	3,945.22
Planning and Zoning	1,100.00	860.27	239.73
Insurance	45,938.00	49,028.60	(3,090.60)
Civil Defense	25.00	133.45	(108.45)
Health:			
Health Dept. including			
Ambulance	18,934.00	18,427.41	506.59
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	19,883.00	17,453.91	2,429.09
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	148,775.00	129,870.20	18,904.80
Highway Block Grant	24,188.81	20,582.10	3,606.71
Bridges	48,801.00	714.03	48,086.97
Street Lighting	15,700.00	15,687.28	12.72
Libraries:			
Library	10,115.00	10,115.00	.00
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Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	3,000.00	1,322.01	1,677.99
Old Age Assistance	10,000.00	10,371.59	(371.59)
Court Orders	50 _	30,827.93	(30,827.93)

Patriotic Purposes:	875.00	500.00	375.00
Recreation:			
Parks and Playgrounds	28,617.00	28,726.18	(109.18)
Memorial Park	100.00	115.04	(15.04)
	100.00	110.01	(10.01)
Public Service Enterprises:			
Municipal Sanitary Department	212,860.00	100,369.22	112,490.78
Municipal Water Department	71,117.00	66,980.62	4,136.38
Municipal Electric Department	1,544,000.00	1,197,579.35	346,420.65
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Unclassified:			
Legal Expenses	6,000.00	5,224.09	775.91
Advertising	1,446.00	1,445.82	.18
Employees Retirement and	·		
Social Security	12,340.00	15,600.80	(3,260.80)
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Debt Service:			
Principal-Long Term Notes	35,000.00	35,000.00	.00
Interest-long terms	21,560.00	21,567.50	(7.50)
Interest-temporary notes	30,000.00	39,335.44	(9,335.44)
<b>Payments to other Government</b>			
Divisions:			
School District Tax	774,093.78	774,093.78	.00
County Tax	83,917.00	83,917.00	.00
Overlay (Abatements & Refunds)	6,787.94	6,787.94	.00
Total Budgetary Appropriations	\$3,404,694.53	\$2,929,310.00	\$475,304.53

### **Highway Report**

The Ashland Highway Department maintains 19 miles of Road on a year-round basis.

My Department employs four fulltime men, including myself. One of the men works half of his time for the Highway Department and half for the Sanitary Landfill.

This year a reconstruction program was begun on River Street with monies from the State's Highway Block Grant. We were able to rebuild 1200 feet of road. In 1986 we anticipate doing another section of River Street and paving both rebuilt sections in the late summer season.

Necessary cement work was done to the stone abuttment of the Owl Brook Bridge. New plank decking for the bridge is planned for 1986.

A portion of sidewalk was rebuilt and paved along the corner of Highland Street and Riverside Drive.

In order to correct an oiling problem, which occured in the fall of 1984, Spring Street was paved this year.

The Highway Department's work program for 1985 also included roadside mowing, rubbish pick-up along the roadsides, street sweeping, grading of gravel roads and the screening of sand for winter use.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the townspeople for their support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted, Mark W. Ober Road Agent

### Board of Utility Commissioners 1985

This is the first of what will be an annual report for us. We thought that we would begin by letting everyone know who we are and how we operate. We are a three person board elected by the voters of Ashland to run the Municipal Electric and Water departments of the Town. We operate under our own RSA's and are not responsible to the Board of Selectmen. The only thing that we can not do is borrow money, the Selectmen must do that for us after permission has been given by the townspeople. The Municipal Electric and Water Departments are self-supporting departments. We operate on the revenues which are collected through the billings for water and electric. We do not affect the tax rate for our operations.

The Electric Department employs two full-time employees. The Water Department employs two part-time employees who are also employed by the Sanitary Department to make these two employees full time employees of the Town. We have one full-time employee in the Town Office. The Board of Utility Commissioners hold meetings weekly. We have been holding our meetings on Wednesday nights for the last couple of months at 7 PM at the Town Office on Highland Street. We encourage any interested citizen to attend our meetings.

The Electric Department has had a busy year adding onto the substation, rebuilding line and adding lines. We have placed an order for a new bucket truck for the electric department. The chassis has been delivered, we are now waiting for the body to be installed on the chassis. We expect to take delivery of the much needed piece of equipment in the summer of 1986.

The Water Department replaced 2300 feet of main on River Street and added hydrants. We have overseen the installation of main installed for the Elderly housing on Highland Street and the new motel on West Street.

As you are aware the Water Department was called down to Concord in July and again in December for a show cause hearing. The purpose of the show cause hearing was for Ashland to explain to the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission why we should not make immediate improvements to our water system. The improvements that the State is looking for are (1) replacement of transmission lines, (2) storage tank, and (3) either a new source or treatment of the existing source. The State is aware that we have had four different town meetings: March 1984, May 31, 1984, March 1985 and, September 1985 at which the improvements had been

turned down by the voters of Ashland. The July hearing brought about a November 15, 1987 deadline to have all of the improvements on line in Ashland or face a fine to be determined by the courts. The December hearing was to move up the date from 1987 to 1986 for the transmission lines and storage tank, however, our council and counsultants successfully fought that. We must make improvements to our system. We will be submitting a plan for approval at the March 1986 Annual Town Meeting.

The Board of Selectmen are submitting a Community Development Block grant in hopes of obtaining money to do some of the improvements. The plan that is being presented at this time does not address the source issue, that will be addressed next year. This plan only deals with storage and transmission lines. The cost over and above the Community Development Block grant and the EDA grant will be borne by the users, not by the taxpayers.

This is an issue that must be dealt with. We must make improvements to the water system in order to comply with State and Federal Regulations. We encourage all of the townspeople to attend the open hearings both in Ashland and Concord to learn more about this situation, so that when the issue is brought up at Town Meeting you are aware of all the facts.

Respectfully submitted: Kendall L. Hughes, Chairman Francis D. McNamara Robert E. Tucker Board of Utility Commissioners

### **Ashland Electric Department**

### RECEIPTS

Appropriations

\$1,544,000.00

\$1,544,000.00

#### **EXPENDITURES**

New Construction	\$ 18,648.28
Deposits	4,549.31
Substation	33,225.02
Dist. Poles and Anchors	6,559.68
Dist. Primary Conductors	2,292.97
Dist. Secondary	1,504.90
Transformers	7,892.00
Customer Meters	3,979.08
Street Light Equipment	660.46
Office Equipment	62.98
General Tools and Equipment	5,524.25
Power Purchased	985,999.32
Superintendence	8,441.82
Maint. Structure & Equipment	2,002.29
Maint. Substation	3,966.47
Maint. Distribution	4,706.36
Maint. Primary	3,004.36
Maint. Secondary Services	4,371.93
Maint. Trees & Right of Ways	1,543.21
Maint. Meters & Transformers	887.38
PCB Disposal	1,408.00
Maint. Street Lights	3,486.63
Customer Reading & Collections	4,425.19
Telephone & Postage	3,592.76
Bad Debts, Audit, Utilities & Misc.	2,621.15
Billing and Accounting	7,058.96
Engineering	2,847.58
Heating Fuel	2,046.60
General Office Salary	4,510.00
Commissioners Salary	1,805.62
Lawyers	500.00
Maint. Office Equipment	2,948.60
General Office Supply	2,530.71
Insurance	9,224.15
Stores & Shops	786.09
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Truck Expense	6,431.85
Social Security Taxes	4,106.63
In lieu of Taxes	23,100.00
Hydro & FHA note	8,019.25
Maint. Expense	6,307.51
Balance	346,420.65

\$1,544,000.00

#### **SUMMARY**

Balance in Checking Account December 31, 1985	\$ 27,217.90
Balance in Insured Money Account December 31, 1985	194,282.44
Balance in Savings Accounts December 31, 1985	171,962.79
Total Cash in Banks, December 31, 1985	\$ 393,463.13

#### 1985 REPORT

This past year the electric department enlarged the sub-station at Collins Street, erected a new tower and installed the associated switch gear and equipment and ran a new 35,000 volt three phase line to a new plant off Winter Street.

The Pease Road line was rebuilt and a portion of the Leavitt Hill line was upgraded.

Eight hundred sixty feet (860') of new single phase line was built and thirteen hundred feet (1300') of new service line was added to the system. Forty new poles were set and twenty-nine new meter sockets were issued.

A new bucket truck has been ordered and is expected to arrive in the late spring of 1986.

This year thirty-six street light bulbs were replaced due to breakage. This year also, as in years past the town Christmas tree was lit, and, as in years past, bulbs were stolen from the tree. However, this year was different in the fact that every bulb was stolen from the tree, seven light strings were damaged and so was the star placed at the top of the tree, as indeed was the tree itself with the top six feet of the tree being broken off and cast aside.

It would appear that a lighted Christmas tree is not wanted nor is it being respected as a symbol of Christmas.

Thomas E. Marsh, Supt. Ashland Electric Department

### Ashland Water Department 1985

#### **RECEIPTS**

**Appropriations** 

\$71,117.00

\$71,117.00

#### **EXPENDITURES**

Engineering	\$15,193.28
New Services	1,129.94
New Hydrants	1,572.97
New Meters	2,026.17
New Equipment	3,063.16
Deposits	40.00
Superintendence	4,645.91
Source of Supply	1,295.13
Purifications Labor	4,211.77
Chlorine	1,182.14
Water - Tests	357.00
Power Purchased	750.86
Water Structures	132.50
Purification - Repair	78.12
Repairs - Mains	516.57
Repairs - Services	3,878.51
Repairs - Hydrants	1,061.25
Repairs - Meters	853.64
Reading Meters	275.43
Office Clerk Salary	6,954.56
Commissioners Salary	669.38
General Expense	6,912.55
Heating Fuel	943.53
Insurance	4,636.16
Stationery & Printing	1,820.49
Stores & Shops	364.59
Truck Expense	642.17
Social Security Taxes	1,772.84
Balance	4,136.38

\$71,117.00

#### SUMMARY

Balance in Checking Account, December 31, 1985	\$ 10,195.06
Balance in Insured Money Account, December 31, 1985	31,212.15
Balance in Certificate of Deposit	103,966.67

Total Cash in Banks, December 31, 1985

\$145,373.88

### 1985 Report

The Ashland Water Department supplied 53,595,000 gallons of water in 1985 with a high daily flow of 289,000 gallons. The average daily flow was 146,600 gallons. A total of 1365.5 gallons of chlorine was used in 1985.

The Water Department installed 2300 feet of 12" water main on River Street with 3 new hydrants and 7 new valves. The owners of the new motel replaced 100" of 8" water main on West Street with the replacement of 1 new hydrant. The owners of the Elderly housing on Highland Street installed 250" of new 8" water main with 1 new hydrant. The water department replaced 1 hydrant on Route 132.

There has been a total of 80 living units added to the water system in 1985.

I feel that it is an absolute must to upgrade the water system to keep up with these demands now being placed on the system.

The reservoir was cleaned on November 24, 1985.

Respectfully submitted: Wayne L. Hughes Water Superintendent

### Ashland Sanitary Department 1985

### RECEIPTS

Appropriation

\$212,860.00

\$212,860.00

### **EXPENDITURES**

SEWER:	
Superintendents Salary	\$ 4,682.07
Plant Operators Salary	904.69
Equipment Replacement	103.10
Materials/Supplies	530.59
Ejector Station Power	528.26
Truck Expense	1,458.87
Office Clerk Expense	2,572.39
Office Expense	2,341.01
Insurance	1,875.17
Social Security Taxes	1,149.66
Legal	500.00
Engineering	9,187.22
Balance	95,594.97
PLANT:	
Superintendent Salary	12,181.28
Plant Operators Salary	8,900.06
Plant Operators Overtime	453.62
Equipment Replacement	6,448.39
Chlorine	1,154.52
Hydrogen Chloride	1,135.16
Laboratory	222.00
Electrical Power	30,228.76
Outside Maintenance	109.90
Truck Expense	1,458.89
Telephone	908.95
Telephone Alarm	225.84
Legal Expense	500.00
Office Clerk Expense	2,572.46
Office Expense	2,495.17
Insurance	1,875.32
Social Security Taxes	1,149.71

Computer Services
Materials/Supplies
Balance

420.00 2,096.16 16,895.81

\$212,860.00

#### **SUMMARY**

Balance in Checking Account December 31, 1985	\$ 5,232.21
Balance in Cash Manager Account December 31, 1985	45,258.65
Total Cash in Banks, December 31, 1985	\$ 50.490.86

#### 1985 Report

The Ashland sewage treatment plant received 159,716,000 gallons of sewage in 1985. The daily average for 1985 was 438,000 gallon. The treatment plant used 2284 pounds of chlorine for treatment. Chlorination is not required from November 1 until April 1. We are required to maintain the Squam River level above and below the point of discharge for total coliform bacteria for the effects of non chlorination.

We received 83,000 gallons of septage in 1985. There were 5 new sewer connections made in 1985.

All of the air tubing in the lagoons were cleaned in the Spring of 1985.

Respectfully submitted: Wayne L. Hughes Superintendent

## TOWN OF ASHLAND STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS As of December 31, 1985

Sewer Bonds (State Guaranteed) 4.4 percent

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

Payable at

Boston Safe Deposit Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

Maturities—	— Total —	
Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest
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
	\$490,000.00	\$161,700.00

## TOWN OF ASHLAND STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS As of December 31, 1985

Hydro	Electric	Bond
5	Percent	

Amount of Original Issue Date of Issue Principal Payable Date Principal & Interest Payable Date \$100,000.00 March 5, 1982 September 5th

#### March 5th

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	Principal	Interest
December 31, 1985	3,450.00	4,569.00
December 31, 1986	3,450.00	4,396.00
December 31, 1987	3,450.00	4,224.00
December 31, 1988	3,450.00	4,052.00
December 31, 1989	3,450.00	3,879.00
December 31, 1990	3,450.00	3,706.00
December 31, 1991	3,450.00	3,534.00
December 31, 1992	3,450.00	3,362.00
December 31, 1993	3,450.00	3,189.00
December 31, 1994	3,450.00	3,016.00
December 31, 1995	3,450.00	2,844.00
December 31, 1996	3,450.00	2,672.00
December 31, 1997	3,450.00	2,499.00
December 31, 1998	3,450.00	2,326.00
December 31, 1999	3,450.00	2,154.00
December 31, 2000	3,450.00	1,982.00
December 31, 2001	3,450.00	1,809.00
December 31, 2002	3,450.00	1,636.00
December 31, 2003	3,450.00	1,464.00
December 31, 2004	3,450.00	1,292.00
December 31, 2005	3,450.00	1,119.00
December 31, 2006	3,450.00	946.00
December 31, 2007	3,450.00	774.00
December 31, 2008	3,450.00	602.00
December 31, 2009	3,450.00	429.00
December 31, 2010	3,450.00	256.00
December 31, 2011	3,400.00	85.00
	\$93,100.00	\$62,816.00

# **Town Deeds List**

	Recorded in	Woodsville
Description	Volume	Page
Ashland Bathing Beach - Leavitt Rd.	863	431
Easement - Water Main Extension -		
Thompson St. (Norman)	815	279
Playground deeds, No. Main St.		
Sullivan	562	119
Spaulding	826	71
Kilpatrick	969	156
Brown	770	328
Firemen's Hall and land-South Main		
Hillside Avenue	425	82
Road to Cross-Gray Properties — off		
River Street	959	75
Land-Between Beatrice Hill's and		
Squam River - River Street	471	126
Cottage Place	939	225
Cottage Place	973	358
Water Works Deed	92	304
Sawmill Property (see partial sale to		
Squam Lakes Association 8/66)	480	1
Electric Company purchase	541	484
Substation right-of-way - Hussey Land	1003	10
Cote-Gould Land - Collins St.	1016	222
Spaulding Land - No. Main St.	1032	378
Main Street Deed - Garage	661	84
Hill Terrace	664	79
Flag Area - Main - River Sts.	658	267
Triangle of land at Collins St. Bridge	1077	598
Land Carr Avenue	1491	545
Knapp Property - No. Main St.	1087	510
Marine Land - Corner River-Main Sts.	1099	430
Sirles Land - Main St.	1099	429
Whipple Property - Pleasant St.	1120	106
Landfill Property	1142	551
Towne Property - So. Main St.	1204	415
Town Hall Deed	319	514
Scribner Memorial Library	146	122
Luff Land - Intersection at		
So. Main and Mill Sts.	1267	264
Main Street - Municipal Parking Lot	712	169

Collins Street - Municipal Garage		
Land & Buildings, 7 No. Main St.	1513	205
	Belkna	p County
Jackson Pond - Berry Land	92	321 & 322
Jackson Pond - Flowage & Drainage rights	92	339 & 340
Jackson Pond - Smith Land	89	4
Reservoir-Plaisted Land ROW for Main	336	526
Reservoir Road and ROW - Plaisted	104	387
Reservoir Road and ROW - Berry	104	388
Jackson Pond-Thompson land - flowage and		
Drainage Rights	92	272
Jackson Pond-Smith Land	92	270 & 271

Town Clock Deed

Recorded Town Clerk Book - May 22, 1894

L/O Hicks Hill Road

# Revenue Sharing 1985

Fund Balance, December 31, 1984	\$15,184.93
Receipts 1985	28,890.00
Interest Earned 1985	1,728.78
Operating & Maintenance Expense 1985	28,890.00
Fund Balance, December 31, 1985	\$16,913.71

# **Reconciliation Savings Account**

Meredith Village Savings Bank Savings Account Number 48327

# Report of Trust And Capital Reserve Funds Town of Ashland Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1985

					-PRINCIPAL-	AL-			INCOME	ME	
Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds	Gains or (Losses)	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
Various Various	CEMETERY FUND: Perpetual Various	Cemetery Care Cemetery Care	MVSB	8,964.28 1,531.38			8,964.28	183.24	794.35	536.73	257.62
	Total Cemetery Fund LIBRARY FUNDS:			10,495.66			10,495.66	183.24	938.48	536.73	584.99
3/8/77 8/7/74 11/26/26	Pauline Packard Cheney Fund Ordway Fund	Library Books Library Books Library Books	PGSB MVSB MVSB	1,000.00 500.00 1,391.88			1,000.00 500.00 1,391.88		115.67 54.72 109.60	115.67 54.72 109.60	
5/13/85	Harriet Addison Fund	Library Books	Pioneer Fund		1,000.00		1,000.00		37.29		37.29
	Total Library Funds MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS SCHOLARSHIPS Edward Doggett	:		2,891.88	1,000.00		3,891.88		317.28	279.99	37.29
8/18/78	Memorial Scholarship Memorial Funds Donated By: Memorial Park Beautifica- tion Comm. Ashland Chamber of	Scholarship 	MVSB	2,000:00			2,000:00	144./9	211.54	200.00	156.33
	Commerce	Maintenance	Bank Deposit	7,534.27	1,500.00		9,034.27	2,578.17	1,008.23		3,586.40
	Total Misc. Funds CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			9,534.27	1,500.00		11,034.27	2,722.96	1,219.77	200:00	3,742.73
9/26/51 11/21/62	Capital Reserve Capital Reserve	Fire Truck Highway Truck Sanitary	Bank Deposit Bank Deposit	2,000.00			2,000.00	2,879.90 608.37	442.70		3,322.60 650.26
3/8/77	Capital Reserve Capital Reserve Capital Reserve	Main Extension Fire Alarm Park & Rec	Bank Deposit Bank Deposit Bank Deposit	156,330.85 11,033.03 8,000.00			156,330.85 11,033.03 8,000.00	85,659.74 2,370.97 2,751.20	21,733.25 1,021.38 1,528.07		107,392.99 3,392.35 4,279.27
	Total Capital Reserve TOTAL FUNDS		_	180,363.88 203,285.69	2,500.00		180,363.88 205,785.69	94,270.18 97,176.38	24,767.29 27,242.82	1,016.72	119,037.47 123,402.48

# Ashland Police Department 1985

The year 1985 was a very busy year and the growth of the Town has made it that way. Many apartment houses are being made and this increases the number of people in the town. The Statistics have doubled from last year, as you can see. This has also added to our Domestic Problems, which are a major one at this time. It became necessary to put on a special patrol with an unmarked vehicle to take care of some of the problems.

At the end of the summer another officer had to be added to take care of the shift. This was also necessary because of time and half that is paid after 43 hours. Also if the Officers are on Call they must be paid.

Officer Gardner has become our Firearms Training Officer. The State has now mandated that all officers will qualify once a year. This is another problem we have and that is finding a place that is suitable for both the protection of the officers and general public.

Many changes have taken place over the last six months. Some good some bad. The time has come for us to start paying our people a decent wage. It cost the Towns an average of \$7,000. to get an officer educated. If we do not pay them they will go into a bigger Department and get more money. We also need better benefits.

If the Town is going to grow then we will have to grow with it.

Another 4th of July with many more people, is still another problem. Our Special Officers are few and this is a problem because they have to be Certified.

Last of all, our cost for Dispatch Services has gone up \$9,000. this year. We are in Study for a New Dispatch Center, but this is still in the early stages.

Thanks again for your assistance throughout the year.

Ernest A. Paquette Chief of Police

### CASES REPORTED - 1985

Assisting Other PD's Assaults

177 Assist Motorists 9 Bad Checks

49 2

Burglaries	26	Suspicious Persons	22
Brawls	14	Stop & Hold	2
Check on Older Person	12	Stolen Vehicle	
(Senior Meals)		Thefts of Service	3
Child Abuse	1	Thefts	58
Criminal Mischief	37	Towed Vehicles	4
Criminal Trespass	1	Traffic Details	14
Continuation Investigations	23	Transport to Jail	10
Delivering Paperwork	117	Truants from School	28
Delivering Messages	53	Court Fines-	\$24,857.33
(Death, Medical, Etc.)		Collection of Bad Check	s- \$1,866.00
Dog Complaints	29	Parking Tickets-	177
Domestic Disturbance	68	MV Accidents-	75
False Alarms	44	Warning & Write-Up	
F&G (Problems) Deer	8	Slips Issued	210
Fires (Chimney, Grass)	55	Untimely Deaths-	5
House Escorted Through Tow	n 1	D.E. Tags issued-	. 31
Medical Emergencies	53	D.W.I.'s	22
Missing Persons	7	Fatals (Motor Veh.s)	2
Noise Complaints	49	Property Checks-	60
OHRV's Public Roads	7		

# 1985 COURT CASES

Speeds	207	One Way Violation	1
Unregistered Motor Vehicles	7	Possession of Controlled Drug	4
Stop Sign	14	Truancy Petition	2
Uninspected Motor Vehicle	12	Willful Concealment	3
Operate Without Valid License	11	Issuing Bad Checks	3
Dog Chasing Deer	1	Resisting Arrest	4
Passing on Left of Highway	1	Yellow Line Violation	9
Failed to Yield	2	Operating Without Eye	
Unlicensed Dog	1	Protection	4
Criminal Trespass	5	Operating After Revocation	3
Burglary	2	Operating After Suspension	4
Criminal Mischief	3	Reckless Conduct	1
Possession of Alcohol	8	Procuring	1
OHRV on Public Road	1	Unsafe Tires	1
Thefts	5	Littering	1
J.V. In Poss. Stolen Property	2	Conduct After Accident	2
Assaults	3	No Motorcycle License	2
Disorderly Conduct	26	Unauthorized Use Propeled	
		Vehicle	1

# 1985 - December Yearly Report Statistics

Court Cases		Acciden	ts
(7 months	234)	(7 months	36)
5 months	163	5 months	35
	397		71
DWI's		Speeds	
(7 months	14)	(7 months	115)
5 months	8	5 months	92
	22		207

# Ashland Fire Department 1985

The Fire Department consists of 30 men, 12 of them are State Certified Fire Fighters, 9 are EMT's, we have 3 trucks, 1 utility van, 1 boat and a snowmobile. Our trucks consist of a 1979 Mack, 1000 gallons water and 1000 gallon pump. Our attack truck is a 1962 International, 1300 gallons water and 500 gallon pump. Also a 1958 ladder truck and a utility van, which is well equipped with Jaws of Life, wet suits, generators and light and general medical and fire fighting equipment. Forestry equipment includes 1 universal Jeep and a Dodge 4x4.

We have been busy this year specking a new truck to replace the 1962 International, the pump and engine are badly worn. The town is growing and each year we have more calls and the truck is badly needed.

Deputy Fields put on some excellent training this year, one was the Francis Vachon home on River St. He donated the house for practice. We burned the house, which was excellent for scott practice.

New insulated overhead doors have been installed and L.W. Packard has donated enough pipe insulation to cover all the heat pipes. This should amount to considerable savings on our heating bill.

This year Bristol, Franklin, Danbury and Groton have joined our Mutual Aid System.

# Some Safety Hints for the Household:

- 1. Don't use fuses larger than 15 amps, this could cause an overload and is a potential fire hazard.
- 2. Keep matches out of reach of small children.
- 3. Too many lives are lost and homes destroyed by sleepy smokers whose cigarettes fall on their clothes, upholstered furniture or bedding.
- 4. Clean or discard dirty polishing and paint cloths.

# SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES

Respectfully submitted, Norman J. Marsh Fire Chief

# 1985 Fire Call Breakdown

Medical Aid	74
Auto Accident	17
Bomb Scare	3
Chimney Fire	19
Mutual Aid	18
Car Fires	9
Smoke Investigation	7
Wires Down, Arcing	2
Washdown	3
Structure Fire	5
False Alarm	3
Grass & Brush	12
Dial Alarm	4
FOB	3
Misc. Fire	5
Total Calls	184

# Report Of Town Forest Fire Warden And State Forest Rangers

Between July 1984 and June 1985, we experienced more forest fires throughout our state than in any year in the last 50. Two of the leading causes of the 1,605 fires were children and fires kindled without written permission of a Forest Fire Warden. Both causes are preventable, but only with your help.

Please help our town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. Contact your Forest Fire Warden for more information.

Enforcement of a state timber harvest regulation is the responsibility of State Forestry officials. Our state has excellent timber harvest regulations; however, your assistance is needed.

If you know of a logging operation and suspect a state timber harvest law may be violated, call your Forest Fire Warden.

If you own forest land, you will become responsible for the timber tax payment starting April 1, 1986. This is a change in the Timber Tax Law that will impact all forest landowners. Contact your Board of Selectmen for timber tax forms.

### **FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1985**

,	STATE	DISTRICT	TOWN
No. of Fires	1,605	161	8
No. of Acres	1,580	336	21/2
Cost of Suppression	\$246,017		

# Ashland Planning Board 1985

1985 was a year of transition for the Planning Board. Many of the powers and duties formerly performed by the Planning Board were transferred to the Zoning Board of Adjustment because the Town adopted Zoning at the Annual Town Meeting.

Members attended various meetings and stand firm in opposition to the Proposed Bridgewater Bio-Mass plant to be erected on the Ashland/Bridgewater Town Line.

During the course of the year the Board attempted to formulate changes and amendments to the Planning Board Regulations with respect to the Zoning Regulations to clearly define responsibilities and powers of each Board in accordance with the New Hampshire Revised Statutes.

As usual there was some turnover of members, Carl Abear, Frank Murdock and Dave Brown left the Board; while Mike Myshrall and Beverly Morton joined the Board. Rosemarie McNamara was appointed secretary replacing Florence Goodwin.

The membership rarely has been at full strength and new members would be welcome in the upcoming year. Any interested resident is encouraged to leave his or her name at the Town Office.

Twelve new subdivisions were applied for, however only three were approved.

Respectfully submitted: Edward J. Hubbard Chairman

# Report of the Building Inspector 1985

On September 9, 1985 Mr. Francis L. Murdock resigned his position as Building Inspector. I assumed the duties of building inspector for the balance of the year.

There were 57 building permits issued during 1985. This represents a slight increase over 1984 when 52 permits were issued.

Respectfully submitted: Donald T. Rich Acting Building Inspector

# Report of the Health Officer

1985 was fortunately a rather quiet year, with no major health hazards to report. Complaints investigated during the year included five garbage complaints, a possible sewage problem, an insect problem, and an animal excrement complaint. State required inspections were also completed for four day care centers and two foster homes.

I would like to thank the Town Office staff for their help during 1985.

Respectfully submitted, David Ruell

# **Ashland Town Library Report 1985**

Receipts		
Bal. on hand Jan. 1, 1985	\$ 3,166.35	
1985 Appropriation	10,115.00	
Gifts, Fines, Donations	284.16	
Interest on checking account	108.14	
		\$13,673.65
		Ψ10,010.00
Expenses		
Books Purchased	6,559.18	
	512.00	
Magazines	107.05	
Supplies	73.66	
Misc.	75.00	
Salaries		
Frances Platt	2,104.33	
	2,104.33	
Clara Cilley	429.71	
Jill Mudgett	705.13	
Social Security	703.13	
Total		12,595.39
Dal non chook hook Dog 21 1005		1,029.67
Bal. per check book Dec. 31, 1985 Cash on hand		48.59
Cash on hand		10.00
Bank Accounts		
Meredith Village Savings Bank		
Cheney Acc.		
Bal. on hand Jan. 1, 1985	846.07	
Deposits & interest	132.08	
Deposits & interest		
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1985		978.15
Ordway Acc.		
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1985	826.62	
Deposits & interest	130.96	
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1985		957.58
Pauline Packard Mem. Fund		
Bal. on hand Jan. 1, 1985	626.17	
Deposits & interest	1,165.16	
Deposito a micrest		
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1985		1,791.33

Philip Stevens Book Fund Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1985 Deposits & interest Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1985  Petty Cash Report 1985	500.00 26.63	526.63
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1985	\$ 23.26	
Income		
Copier & Fines	166.18	
Total	<del></del>	189.94
Expenses		
Transfer to general fund	176.00	
Postage	7.02	
Supplies	5.44	
		188.46
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1985		\$ 1.48
	-	

	Circulation	Books Loaned
Adults	1791	4626
Juveniles	1026	2430

# **Ashland Town Library Trustees Report 1985**

This year the trustees purchased a current set of World Book encyclopedias as part of our program to improve and upgrade the library. A section of the library has been cleared to allow us room for paperbacks. Due to the very high cost of hardcovers, we have found it necessary to include these paperbacks in order to furnish our readers with more material. We hope that this will increase our readers enjoyment of the library.

The typewriters and copier continue to be much in demand. This also increases the use of the library facilities.

We wish to thank all who have made donations of books, funds for more book purchasing available to us. We are most grateful. Also, to all that we have worked with this past year, "Thank you". It has been a very good year.

> Lorraine Marsh Sheila Page Beverly Morton

# Scribner Trustees' Report 1985

# FINANCIAL REPORT as of December 31, 1985

Balance 12/31/84	\$153,685.36
Receipts \$ 8.045.	33
Capital Gains 7,865.	02
Transfers 37,651.	78
Expenditures 18,189.	03
Transfers 37,651.	78
Balance 12/31/85	\$151,406.68
Proof of Balance	
Balances:	
Meredith Village Savings Bank Money Fund	
Checking a/c 23 479801	762.73
Meredith Village Savings Bank	
Savings a/c 14364	315.94
Meredith Village Savings Bank	
Certificate 7600 4392	_ 15,000.00
Plymouth Guaranty	
Money Market 051 561934	9,740.19
Petty Cash in Officials Hands	100.00
Pioneer Stock II	115,487.82
Pioneer Stock III	10,000.00
Balance 12/31/85	\$151,406.68

# Parks and Recreation 1985

The Ashland Parks and Recreation Commission had a very successful year in 1985. This was due to the fine efforts of the Commission members and the people that were employed to implement the programs.

The Summer program was expanded this year and was well received and supported by the citizens of Ashland. There were approximately 160 children enrolled and a daily attendance of approximately 100 children.

Mrs. Bette Fields is leaving as our Coordinator. The Commission members feel that Bette should be commended for the excellent service she has provided to the Town of Ashland and its children.

We will endeavor to continue to improve and expand our programs for the youngsters and hopefully will be able to include people of all ages in our expanded programming.

We thank the citizens of Ashland for the continuing support.

Respectfully submitted: Thomas Winn, Chairman Kathy Marsh Patricia Koning Robert Tucker Herbert Story

# Fourth Of July Report

1985 Celebration

RECEIPTS		
Earnings on accounts in Meredith Village Savings Bank, January to December, 1985		\$ 259.27
Appropriation, Town of Ashland		500.00
Contributions		120.00
Spring Fling, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce		1,956.50
Chamber Activities, July 3 and 4		
Food Sale	\$ 385.00	
Pancake Breakfast	135.45	
Food Booth	775.06	
Flag-pin Collection	658.75	
Coin Box Collection	51.50	
Balloon Sales	181.00	
Chicken Bar-b-q Donation	200.00	
Concessions	884.90	
_		3,271.66
Total Amount Raised in 1985		\$6,107.43
EXPENDITURES		
Fireworks Display and Detonation	\$2,230.00	
Parade Expenses	328.00	
Entertainment, July 3 and 4	400.00	
Sanitary Facilities	56.76	
Advertising	31.50	
Labor	90.00	
Electrical Wiring	600.00	
Cleaning Equipment	38.70	
Photos, 1983 and 1984	50.00	
_		\$3,824.96
Net Balance	-	\$2,282.47
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Cash on hand, January 1, 1985	\$3,768.28	
Amount Raised, 1985	6,107.43	
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Total Funds Available		\$9,875.71
Less Expenditures, 1985	_	3,824.96
Cash Balance, December 31, 1985		\$6,050.75
In Money Market and NOW accounts,	=	
Meredith Village Savings Bank		

Thanks to the "Spring Fling" sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce last March, the balance in the July 4 accounts is much greater than usual. The plan is to use these funds to improve the wiring, plumbing, and cooking facilities at the ball park and to purchase a public address system to be used for the Fourth celebration and other events that may need such equipment. Thus the whole community will benefit from the work of the committee.

Since many expenses must be met before July 4, the balance of the account is used as "up front" money, to be replaced by the earnings of the celebration for use the following year.

Much appreciation is due the members of the July Fourth committee and those who work on the "Spring Fling," as well as to those who contribute in many ways.

Mary W. Ruell, Treasurer

# **Ashland Memorial Park**

### FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE ON HAND 1-1-85	\$889.10		
INCOME - 1985			
Bike-a-thon		\$1,635.50	
Day in the Park & Street Fair		1,008.80	
Memorial Gift - Harriet Addison		1,000.00	
Miscellaneous Gifts		181.45	
Interest		90.17	
Total	\$889.10	\$3,915.92	= \$4,805.02
OUTGO - 1985			
Repairs, Replacements & Maintenance		\$ 925.23	
To Trust Fund		1,500.00	
Total			\$2,425.23
BALANCE ON HAND OR IN BANKS 1-1-86	3		\$2,379.79

For current figures on Trust Fund see the Town Trustees Report

1985 is drawing to a close and while some of our goals were not realized in 1985 due to the lack of time and availability of those involved, we are pleased with the success of the projects we undertook.

The Day-in-the-Park and Street Fair chairmaned by Shirley Splaine was a great success for the Park and the Town and plans for another year are promising.

The Bike-a-thon proved to be another profitable and fun event. We are especially pleased that several people have volunteered to help in the planning and organization for another year. Helpers in this area are very much needed and will be sincerely appreciated.

We look forward to the day when the Trust Fund, which is handled by the Town Trustees, has reached the point where the interest can be used to take care of the improvements, replacements and general maintenance of the park. Any gifts, donations or bequeaths will be welcome to swell the fund and hasten the day when fund raisers will not be necessary. However, until that time arrives, we will appreciate your continued support.

Our sincere thanks for all that you as individuals, businesses and organizations have done, and we look forward to working together again in the coming season.

# **Ashland Historical Society**

### Report for 1985

Each year the Ashland Historical Society hopes to achieve some positive change in its offerings and holdings. This year we are very pleased with the addition of two rooms to the museum's exhibit area and the rearrangement of some other displays.

The legacy of Adine Wilder of a set of Victorian furniture, originally purchased by the Horrigan sisters from the Carey Furniture Company, has been arranged in one of the bedrooms. In another, a four-poster bed, from the family of Mary Smith Calley, Obadiah Smith's daughter who married Rev. David Calley of Bristol in 1842, was set up with canopy and linens, some dating to 1820, owned by her mother, Eliza Mooney Smith.

During the summer, Shirley Splaine provided floral arrangements that greatly enhanced the displays. She also decorated the front entrance with a lovely Williamsburg design at Christmas.

To protect the furniture and artifacts in the Whipple House, a special type of plexiglass which filters the destructive ultra-violet rays was installed in every window. This was a major investment which should give the museum's contents ultimate protection. One quarter of the slat fence near the road was rebuilt and the rest repaired and painted. The insulation and heating equipment of the apartment have also been improved.

Programs included our annual review of the news items of a century ago, reminiscences of World War II veterans, forty years later, a tour of renovated homes in "Slab City," and a joint meeting with Holderness Historical Society on the subject of the Ashland-Holderness division. Much interest has also been aroused in class pictures of the local schools, with many visitors aiding with identification.

Several new members have been very active, adding much energy to that of the long-term members. Of the latter, four were honored at the annual meeting by honorary life memberships and gifts of Squam Lakes House bottles: Frances Platt, Doris Tatham, James Rollins, and Laurent Ruell, all of whom have made major contributions to the Society's fulfillment of its responsibilities.

We mourn the loss of a devoted member, Adine Wilder, and contributor, Abner Waldo, and former president, Chester Landry.

We very much appreciate the several gifts received during the year.

The museum continues to be open during July and August on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and on July 4 immediately after the parade. Appointments may also be made by calling 968-7716.

Mary W. Ruell, President

# **Lakes Region Association**

Report of the Executive Secretary July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985

The Lakes Region Association brought together five Chamber of Commerce in the Region for a Cooperative Advertising/Mailing Program. Under a formular system it was set up so that each of the Chambers could participate at whatever level it was within their reach either financially or brochure wise. This program used \$10,535. of cooperative funds and requested a State Matching Grant of a like amount giving us \$21,070. for white space advertising and a total of \$25,715. for the entire program. This includes expenses of mailing literature directly to those interested parties. This program stimulated over 38,306 individual requests. This program is the envy of other areas, and is now being copied.

Spring, while we were servicing these inquiries, our Lakes Region Attractions group were not to be out-done. They, too, planned a Television advertising program, raised \$16,410. of their own money and requested and obtained a Matching Grant for another \$16,410. They, also, had a new TV ad produced to upgrade the quality of the commercial. This well-designed program was used in the Greater Boston/Providence and Maine area to encourage the day tripper, as well as the longer time vacationer. This was most successful. They published and distributed 550M of their brochures and worked hard to keep the public informed that this is an excellent location for a vacation, a seasonal or a year round home area.

We again published the 92 page Where To In The Lakes Region book. With low water, the distribution of the several navigational charts was a vital safety factor. We supervised the activities of the Lakes Region Attractions, a part of our organization. We guide new commercial property owners in management and promotion of their property. We work with many state agencies and are active with the N.H. Travel Council and the N.H. Hospitality Association.

The Lakes Region Association seeks to preserve the quality of life we have here in our special part of New Hampshire. We want to maintain and preserve our natural resources, our lakes, our fields, and forest, so that they can be enjoyed by not only those of us that live here, but also by those that visit our Region.

I have faith in our communities, their judgement and their ideals and know the Lakes Region Association will continue to work comfortably with our communities to mutual goals.

Respectfully submitted, Mildred A. Beach, Exec. Sec. The Lakes Region Association

# Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency 1985

### AGENCY IN REVIEW

Your non-profit home health agency has been going strong for eighteen and one-half years and continues to maintain quality home care to its ten member towns.

Joan Hart and Beverly Keeney have left the agency as homemaker/homehealth aides and Joan Chabot, Mary Robertson and Leslie Vachon have taken on these positions. We also welcome to the Board of Directors Janice Gallinger, Plymouth Representative, Ronald Johns, Groton Representative and the Rev. Mr. William White Representing Ministerial.

Our immunization clinics are still being held bi-monthly, giving area children the opportunity to receive their required immunizations free of charge. Blood Pressure clinics are held monthly in Ashland, Hebron, Plymouth and Rumney.

We are pleased to announce the addition of two new services. The first is the maternal and infant early discharge program that is available through Blue Cross/Blue Shield and is for mothers and babies who leave the hospital within twenty-four hours after delivery. Skilled nursing and homemaker services are available to them through this agency. The second service is I.V. therapy. Doctors can order this therapy and the Pemi-Baker nurses have been trained to establish and monitor this procedure in the home.

Infant and toddler seats are available to those in our member towns to encourage children to buckle-up for safety and comply with the N.H. Law that requires child restraint devices.

Once again we held our annual flu clinic in October and because of the overwhelming response we will be increasing our supply for next year.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the Pemigewasset National Bank for having our brochures printed so that people in the community will know what services are available to them through this agency.

December 31st marks the retirement date for our administrator, Dorothy Westberg. In 1967, Dorothy was the sole visiting nurse for the newly established Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency. The agency has grown from one nurse,

secretary and part-time physical therapist to administrator, assistant administrator, clerk/bookkeeper, five homemaker/home health aides, physical therapist, occupational therapist and speech therapist. Dorothy Westberg has given eighteen and one-half years to the Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency and her hard work and dedication will enable this agency to continue to serve this community with the same level of quality care that was established in 1967.

The Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency has submitted an appropriation request to your board of selectmen for 1985 in the amount of \$6,107.85. If there is need for additional information they will be contacting you. For your convenience, we are furnishing the following information.

Town	of /	Ashi	land

### Total Visits Made 1392

### Number of Visits-1985

Skilled Nursing	481
Physical Therapy	52
Speech Therapy	26
Occupational Therapy	32
Home Health Aide	73
Homemaker	728

No. of car seats loaned/sold to your Town: 2

Free immunization clinic to be held bi-monthly, American Legion, Plymouth. NH

No. immunizations given to your Town: 23

People attending free blood pressure clinics/diabetic screening: 90

Skilled Nursing Care
Speech Therapy
Home Health Aides
Hospice
I.V. Therapy
Blood Pressure Clinics
Diabetic Screening

Walk-In Blood Pressures

Physical Therapy Ocupational Therapy

Homemakers

Respiratory Therapy Equipment Loan Closet Immunization Clinics Car Seat Safety Program

Newborn Visits

Maternal-Infant Early Discharge Program

# **New Hampshire Humane Society**

The 1985 totals on the number of animals from the Town of Ashland brought to the N.H. Humane Society shelter are as follows:

By your Animal Control Officer:	
Dogs and Puppies	13
Cats and Kittens	2
TOTAL	15
From Ashland Residents:	
Dogs and Puppies	17
Cats and Kittens	47
TOTAL	64
Total number of dogs, pups, cats	
and kittens from Ashland	79

We are enclosing a copy of the report on all towns that used the shelter facilities and services in 1985. Your Society's shelter has been inspected and licensed by the State and fulfills your licensed dog pound requirements. It also complies with RSA 442-A, the Rabies Control Act for holding stray dogs.

Every town has stray and animal problems. We encourage the Town of Ashland, especially the Animal Control Officer to use our services more in 1986.

Sincerely, Fritz T. Sabbow Executive Director

# Report of the Grafton County Commissioners'

We appreciate the opportunity to submit the following report in our continuing effort to directly communicate with our constituents.

Because of current favorable cash status and appreciable fund balance, Grafton County maintained a level tax requirement this fiscal year, actually reducing the tax requirement by \$200, and we anticipate an even better tax climate in the next fiscal year. However, due to the apportionment process of tax assessment by equalized valuation, some towns did see a slight increase in the county portion of taxes for 1985, though the majority of towns realized a decrease. The unusual fund balance is due to a combination of factors, including unused surplus in the previous budget, conscientious budget management by all departments, transfer of court expenses to the State, increased Nursing Home reimbursements, favorable returns on investments, increased Register of Deeds revenues and continued Revenue Sharing.

Along with saving the County approximately \$300,000 in expenditures with the shift of liability for court activities to the State, we also anticipate receiving \$100,000+ annually in rent on space occupied by the court system.

Grafton County is experiencing the same problems as your local government in the insurance market. Costs are rising dramatically & in some cases insurance coverage is unobtainable. We have retained a consultant to review county insurance needs & available coverage with the hopes of procuring one total package. Because of the current unstable insurance market, we do not yet have any report or recommendation.

In cooperation with your local government and the State, we are striving for a smooth transition to the new system of welfare service delivery under Senate Bill 1. Settlement for assistance determination has been eliminated & towns & cities are now liable for all general assistance to needy persons in their towns, including transients. However, liability for expenses of all juvenile services & for persons assisted under the categorical grant programs will now be shared by the State and counties, removing town liability. Under Senate Bill 1 & the ensuing partnership between counties and the state Dept. of Children & Youth Services, the Commissioners note a new direction for juveniles, including the development of new alternative programs to out of home placements.

Energy conservation programs at the nursing home and courthouse have realized a considerable savings with the decrease in fuel & electric consumption, cutting consumption & dollar cost in half for courthouse fuel alone. In our letter to you in 1983 we noted litigation in a retirement buy-back suit where a negative decision would result in cost of \$70,000 plus legal fees with a potential domino effect on local governments. We are pleased to note that the County prevailed in this issue.

The Commissioners have changed weekly meetings to Wednesdays. We encourage public attendance at all meetings. The county budget recommendations are processed in May & June. We welcome input and strongly recommend public attendance at the public hearings usually held in June.

Grafton County Commissioners: Dorothy Campion-Corcoran, Chairperson Arthur E. Snell Leonard F. Anderson

# Vital Statistics

# Births 1985

Date	Child's Name	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Jan. 9	Matthew Kenneth Duguay	Kenneth Duguay	Floretta LaVallee
Feb. 19	Bryan Joseph Belanger, Jr.	Brian Belanger	Judith McCoy
March 31	Levi Benjamin Boynton		Bonita Boynton
April 9	April Ann Wagar	William Wagar	Connie Wood
April 11	Erin Marie Fouts	Charles Fouts	Terry Marsh
April 14	Regina Mary Schofield	Maurice Schofield	Pamela Thompson
April 19	Danielle Lee Bunnell	Danny Bunnell	Patricia Smith
April 24	Sadie Lynne Bridges	Phillip M. Bridges	Susan Armstrong
April 24	Colleen Frances Bridges	Phillip M. Bridges	Susan Armstrong
May 7	Arafel Lyn Burroughs	William Burroughs	Clara Muller
June 10	Jesse Alan Simes	Marvin Simes, Jr.	Katherine King
July 7	Jeffrey Alan Juraska Jr.	Jeffrey Alan Juraska	Heidi King
Aug. 4	Jenifer Dawn Cross	Richard E. Cross	Susan L. Snow
Aug. 30	Lindsay Jean Page	David Page	Nancy Cummings
Sept. 6	Lucas A. Randall-Owens	Christopher Ownes	Joanna Randall
Oct. 7	Desserae Dawn Heafey	Joseph Heafey	Joyce Clooney
Oct. 22	Toni Ann Reynolds	Edward Reynolds	Deborah Leonard
Nov. 4	Jamie Lynn Eastman	Dennis Eastman	Linda Prescott
Nov. 22	Eden Dale Gray	Dale Alton Gray	Carmela Gay Huckins
Dec. 7	Robert Emery Inkel III	Robert Emery Inkel Jr.	Sally Ann Fleury
Dec. 8	Cassandra Lee Graton	Austin Sumner Graton V	Carrie Mae Havlock
Dec. 26	Ann Patricia Driscoll	David Patrick Driscoll	Patricia Marion Driscoll

# Marriages 1985

Date	Place	Name of Groom	Name of Bride
February 19	<sup>-</sup> Ashland	David F. Colburn	Martha L. Herron
March 16	Bristol	Kevin C. Cook	Denise L. McArthur
June 8	Holderness	Alan J. Smith	Dannise M. Sherburne
June 15	Ashland	Mark P. Campiola	Gail M. Libby
June 23	Ashland	Dale A. Gray	Carmela G. Huckins
July 18	Laconia	Paul B. Wolfson	Wendy S. Elliott
July 21	Ashland	Rocco R. DiFranco	Anne Tellerman
August 3	Hill Center	David S. Baker	Shelley M. Boynton
August 10	Ashland	Lee C. Bavis	Katrina A. Dorr
August 24	Littleton	Robert L. Magoon	Lisa Parker
August 31	Ellsworth	Austin S. Graton V	Carrie M. Havlock
September 7	Holderness	Bradley H. Lott	Tracy L. Sherburne
September 20	Ashland	Peter J. Gardner	Pamela J. Magoon
September 28	Tilton	Luke Dupuis	Mary E. Ramsay
October 18	Plymouth	Robert E. Nelson	Jo Anne Clifford
October 19	Ashland	William E. Bernsen	Patricia A. Thrower
October 19	Plymouth	Dan O. King	Janet L. Peters
December 21	Ashland	Gary L. Day	Beverly M. Boucher

# **DEATHS 1985**

Date	Name	Age	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Feb. 2	Mabel E. Crowley	84	Ma	James Campbell	Anna
Feb. 23	Gladys Sullivan	83	NH	Eugene Mitchell	Mary G. Rock
Mar. 9	Lucien J. St. Arnauld	84	Canada	Xavier St. Arnauld	Obeline Bronsoid
Mar. 14	Leonard G. Brace	80	NH	Frank Brace	Myrtle Down
Mar. 25	Adine Wilder	90	Canada		
Apr. 7	Rebecca E. Stickney	24	NH	Richard E. Mardin	Elizabeth Hartwell
May 25	Gloria Vachon	58	NH	Victor Clark	Ruth Wheller
July 6	Leonard G. Matthews	58	NH	John Matthews	Ruth Woodward
July 9	Eva Pearl Willoughby	92	NH	Emery Bacon	Rose Avery
July 22	Albani Vaillant	75	NH	Thomas Vaillant	Alice Plourde
Aug. 16	Mabel Gould	92	NH	Frank Cote	Elizabeth Frank
Aug. 18	Ronald P. Morris	15	Ma	Ronald P. Morris	Michelle Murray
Sept. 5	Charles H. Jellison	64	NH	Charles H. Jellison Sr.	Marjory Brathwaite
Sept. 20	Edward T. Eastman	59	NH	Philip Eastman	Helen Berkery
Oct. 10	Marguerite Hiltz	61	NH	Carroll Courtney	Abigail Champney

# 1986 Ashland Town Warrants

# Ashland Town Warrant 1985

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

You are hearby notified to meet at the Ashland Fire Station in said Town on Tuesday, March 11, 1986 at 9:00 AM in the forenoon to act upon the following article:

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

ARTICLE 2. To vote upon the proposed zoning article amendments as recommended by the Planning Board by approving the following question:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance?

Yes	No

The amendment is as follows:

ARTICLE 2. This article deals with lots of sizes relating to soils.

ARTICLE 4. This article deals specifically with height restrictions off street parking, signs and the re-numbering of obnoxious use and keeping of farm animals. This article also deals with the exclusion of junkyards as permitted use.

ARTICLE 5. This article deals with mobile homes, mobile home parks and creates a minimun shore frontage for building lots on shore property.

ARTICLE 10. This article defines the word animated sign. (This article appears as Article 3 in the Town Warrant.)

ARTICLE 3. To vote upon the proposed building regulations changes as proposed by the Planning Board by approving the following questions:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Building Regulations?

Yes	<u>م</u>	No

This article amends the regulations for construction and substantial improvement of structures in flood hazard areas, in order to meet the requirements of the National Flood Insurance program. (This article appears in the Town Warrant as Article 4.)

**ARTICLE 4.** To transact any other business which may be legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 18 day of February in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty six.

Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes

A true copy of Warrent, Attest:

Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes

Note: The business portion of the Town Meeting for the ensuing year will be held Wednesday, March 12, 1986, at 6:00 PM at the Ashland High School Gymnasium.

## Ashland Town Warrant 1986

### The State of New Hampshire

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 the Ashland Gymnasium in said Town on Wednesday, March 12, 1986 at 6 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles.

NOTICE: Town Officers to be elected at the General Town and School Election to be held at the Ashland Fire Station beginning at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, March 11, 1986.

ARTICLE 1. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$448,000 and to authorize the Water Commissioners to expend said sum for improvements to the water system; said sum to be made available by borrowing in accordance with the provisions of the New Hampshire Statutes through the issuance of general obligation bonds having a term not to exceed thirty (30) years. Notwithstanding that the bonds shall be a general obligation of the Town, the Water Commissioners are hereby directed to establish water user fees sufficient to pay the principal and interest due with respect to said bonds. (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 2. To raise and appropriate up to \$1,161,000 and to authorize the Water Commissioners to expend up to said sum for improvements to the water system; up to said sum to be made available through the award of grants from the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Economic Development Administration and/or such other federal, state and other programs as may make funds available to the Town for improvements to the water system. The Selectmen are hereby authorized to apply for, negotiate for and receive any of such grants as may be available for improvements to the water system. Any funds available to the Water Commissioners for improvements to the water system may be used to match the amount of any of said grants to the extent that such match is required. (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote in favor of the adoption of amendments to the Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board:

### AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE

### Article 2. — DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT REGULATIONS

2.3c The footnote "+" shall be changed to read as follows: "or as determined by the Soils and Slopes Table in 2.4." The rest of 2.3c remains unchanged.

2.4 Lots: All lot sizes and frontages shall conform to the minimum standards of Article 2.3c. In addition, the size of lots without town sewerage and water shall be determined by the following Soils and Slopes Table.

Soil Type	Slope	Lot Size
Adams, Agawam, Colton, Herman	0 - 8%	40,000 sq ft
Hinckley, Windor	▶8 - 15%	45,000 sq ft
	►15 - 25%	60,000 sq ft
Becket, Waumbeck	0 - 8%	50,000 sq ft
	▶8 - 15%	75,000 sq ft
	<b>►</b> 15 - 25%	100,000 sq ft
Canaan-Hermon sandy loams	0 - 8%	60,000 sq ft
(52) Deerfield, Duane, Skerry	▶8 - 15%	80,000 sq ft
	<b>►</b> 15 - 25%	120,000 sq ft
Canaan-Hermon rocky-loams	0 - 8%	80,000 sq ft
(53, 53R)	▶8 - 15%	100,000 sq ft
	<b>►</b> 15 - 25%	160,000 sq ft
AuGres, Freshwater Marsh, Leicester, Limerick,		not be included in inimum lot sizes,
Mixed Alluvial, Ondawa, Podunk,		ems are not per-
Ridgebury, Riverwas, Rumney,	mitted on them	_
Savo, Scarboro, Suncock, Walpole Whitman		

2.4a For a single-family residence of not more than 4 bedrooms, the minimum lot size shall be listed on the Soils and Slopes Table.

2.4b For residential uses of 5 to 10 bedrooms, the minimum lot size shall be determined as follows:

(number of bedrooms)

4 (minimum lot size from Soils and Slopes Table)

- 2.4c For residential uses of more than 10 bedrooms, and commercial and industrial uses, the minimum lot size shall be determined by reference to the regulations of the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission.
- 2.4d Wetlands and areas with slopes over 25% may not be included in any part of the minimum lot size.
- 2.4e In subdivisions with a community or municipal water supply, the minimum lot size may be decreased by 50% from the minimum lot size as determined from the Soils and Slopes Table. No such lot, however, shall have an area of less than 40,000 square feet.
- 2.4f In subdivision where lots are 10 acres or less, the depth of any lot shall be no more than 4 times its frontage.

### Article 4. — GENERAL PROVISIONS

### 4.1 Height restrictions

- 4.1a No building or structure shall be constructed with more than three stories (not counting any basement below ground level) or with an overall height exceeding forty feet above mean ground level.
- 4.1b Height restrictions shall not apply to chimneys, church steeples, silos, antennas, or other necessary features appurtenant to buildings which are usually carried above roofs and are not used for human occupancy.
- 4.2 Off Street parking. Adequate off-street loading and parking shall be provided for
  - all newly constructed buildings,
  - new building additions
  - $\mbox{\it renovations}$  increasing the number of units, seats, or anticipated patrons and employees, and
  - renovations changing the use of a unit.
- 4.2a New construction of institutional, commercial, or industrial uses requiring off-street loading facilities shall provide adequate space so that vehicles receiving or delivering merchandise or materials can be loaded or unloaded outside of any public right-of-way.
- 4.2b All construction and renovation as described in 4.2 shall provide adequate off-street parking spaces equivalent to 200 square feet per space plus adequate additional area for maneuvering. The following standards shall be used:

- residential use: two spaces for each family unit
- hotel, motel, and tourist accommodations: one space for each unit
- commercial and industrial uses: one space for each three anticipated patrons and/or employees on the premises at any one time
- public assembly (auditorium, church, hall, restaurant, and theatre): one space for every four seats

### 4.3 Signs

- 4.3a The Selectmen shall notify any person, firm, or corporation with a sign that is not in good condition or repair or which is in violation of this ordinance. In the event that such a sign is not repaired or made to comply within thirty days after such notice is received, the Selectmen shall remove said sign or cause it to be removed.
- 4.3b No signs shall be placed within the right-of-way of any public highway or in such a position as to:
  - endanger traffic by obscuring a clear view or
  - create confusion with official street signs or signals.
- 4.3c Signs shall not exceed thirty-two square feet in area and shall not be higher than twenty five feet above grade.
- 4.3d Signs may only be illuminated using indirect lighting. Animated signs are prohibited.
- 4.3e Signs which are erected to replace existing signs shall conform to this ordinance.
  - 4.4 Obnoxious Use (Currently 4.1)
- 4.5 Junk Yards: Junk yards, dumps, and permanent storage facilities for hazardous wastes are prohibited.
  - 4.6 Keeping of Farm Animals (Currently 4.2)

### Article 5. — SPECIAL PROVISIONS

5.2 The minimum shore frontage for a building lot located along Little Squam Lake or along the Squam and Pemigewasset Rivers shall be 200 feet.

### 5.3 Mobile Homes

5.3a A permit must be obtained from the Building Inspector before a mobile home can be installed on a lot.

5.3b Mobile homes in use prior to 1986 may be replaced at the discretion of the owner.

### 5.4 Mobile Home Parks

- 5.4a No mobile home parks shall be constructed on less than ten acres of land.
- 5.4b A mobile home park not served by town sewerage and water shall conform to the regulations of the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission.
- 5.4c For each mobile home lot a minimum of 10,000 square feet shall be required.
- 5.4d Each mobile home lot will be provided with paved off-street parking of 300 square feet.
- 5.4e A useable area of less than 1,000 square feet per mobile home lot shall be set aside and maintained for joint use of all the occupants of the mobile home park.
- 5.4f Within the minimum ten acres, but in addition to the requirement stated in 5.4e, a thirty-five-foot buffer strip shall be maintained along all boundaries and public roads. Within this space a dense visual screen of suitable shrubs and trees six feet or more in height shall be provided. Such open space shall not be built upon, paved, nor used for parking.
- 5.4g All roadways shall be constructed and maintained by the mobile home park owner in conformance with Ashland road standards.

### Article 10 — DEFINITIONS

Animated Sign — Any sign with moving parts and/or flashing lights. (This article appears on the Official Town Ballot)

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of an amendment as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Building Regulations?

### 5.5 Flood Hazard Areas

The following regulations shall apply to all lands designated as flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency on the Flood Hazard Boundary Map of the Town of Ashland dated October 31, 1975 which is declared to be part of this Ordinance.

5.5a The Building Inspector shall review all building permit applications for new construction or substantial improvements (meaning any repair, reconstruction, or improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure either (a) before the improvement or repair is started, or (b) if the structure has been damaged, and is being restored, before the damage occured) to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is in a location that has been flood hazard, any proposed new construction or substantial improvement (including prefabricated and mobile homes) must (i) be designed (or modified) and anchored to prevent floatation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure, (ii) use construction materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage, and (iii) use construction methods and practices that will minimize flood damage.

The term "substantial improvement" does not include either:

- any project for improvement of a structure in order to comply with existing State or local health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which are solely necessary to assure safe living conditions, or

- any alteration of a structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places or a State Inventory of Historic Places.

5.5b The Building Inspector shall maintain for public inspection and furnish upon request, any certification of flood-proofing, and information on the elevation (in relation to mean sea level) of the level of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures, and include whether or not such structures contain a basement, and if the structure has been flood-proofed, the elevation (in relation to mean sea level) to which the structure was flood-proofed. This information must be furnished by the applicant.

5.5c The Building Inspector shall obtain, review, and reasonably utilize any 100 year flood elevation data available from a Federal, State or other source, until such other data has been provided by the Administrator, as criteria for requiring that (i) all new construction and substantial improvements of residential structures have the lowest flood (including basement) elevated to or above the 100 year flood level, and (ii) that all new construction and substantial improvements or non-residential structures have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated or flood-proofed to or above the 100 year flood level.

5.5 d The Building Inspector shall review proposed developments to assure that all necessary permits have been applied for and/or received from those

governmental agencies for which approval is required by Federal or State law, including Section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 U.S.C. 1344. It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to certify these assurances to the Building Inspector.

5.5e Mobile homes shall be anchored to resist floatation, collapse or lateral movement by providing over-the-top and frame ties to ground anchors. Specific requirements shall be that (i) over-the-top ties be provided at each of the four corners with two additional ties per side at intermediate locations and mobile homes less than 50 feet long at intermediate locations and mobile homes less than 50 feet long shall require one additional tie per side; (ii) frame ties be provided at each corner with five additional ties per side at intermediate points and mobile homes less than 50 feet long shall require four additional ties per side (iii) all components of the anchoring system shall be capable of carrying a force of 4,800 pounds; and (iv) any additions to the mobile home shall be similarly anchored. (This is to appear on the Official Town Ballot)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into a cooperative agreement, pursuant to RSA Chapter 53A for the purpose of joining together towns in a joint and cooperative effort for Police Dispatching in a manner which will meet Federal and State regulations. The cooperative to be formed under the cooperative agreement will be designated the Pemi-Valley Regional Dispatch Center. A copy of the current draft of the proposed cooperative agreement is posted with the warrant and is available at the Town office during normal business hours. The Board of Selectmen is specifically authorized on behalf of the town (A) to execute and deliver the Cooperative Agreement (with such changes therein from the posted agreement as the Board of Selectmen shall approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the Board of Selectmen's execution thereof) and such other instruments, documents and agreements as the Board of Selectmen may deem necessary or desirable in furtherance of the purpose of the cooperative agreement (b) to cause to be performed all obligations which may from time to time be required pursuant to the terms of the cooperative and (c) to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to borrow or to authorize bonding for a period not to exceed five (5) years and to expend the sum of \$99,000.00 for the purchase of a new fire truck, or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to withdraw and expend the sum of \$60,000.00 from the Sanitary Department Capital Reserve Fund for the use of the Sanitary Department reconstruction project on Pleasant, Hill and

Mechanic Streets, or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to withdraw and expend the sum of \$12,000.00 plus such interest that may accumulate until such withdrawal, from the Parks and Recreation Capital Reserve Fund to be applied for improvements at the ball park or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and expend the sum of \$23,511.55 for the State Highway Block Grant. (State to contribute \$23,511.55) or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from Federal Revenue Sharing Fund for use as an offset against budgeted appropriations and to use amounts indicated therein.

Appropriation:	\$30,378.00
Expenditures:	
Police	10,126.00
Highway	10,126.00
Fire	10,126.00

or to act on anything relative thereto. (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to order the Board of Selectmen to take immediate action to bring THE TOWN into compliance with the VOTE OF THE TOWN taken in connection with Article 11 at the Town Meeting of Saturday, March 7, 1981; to direct the town attorney to prepare Quitclaim deeds, conveying title to certain sewer lines and easements from the respective property lines of said owners to the point of connection of the lines with the Town Sewer, existing and/or planned; to thereafter maintain said lines, being specifically the lines serving the homes on the following public streets: Carr Avenue, Hill Street, Church Street, Pleasant Street, and in addition thereto any sewers connecting with the Town Sewer which are not presently being maintained by the Town; that said documentation shall be submitted to the property owners on or before June 1, 1986; and further that subject to the approval of the concerned property owners, pending the execution of the Quitclaim deeds, the Town Sewer Superintendent shall, from the date of adoption of this article, provide emergency service where and when required on any of sewer lines hereinabove identified; regardless of whether there is any construction or reconstruction already under contract or planned. (Petitioned by Doris Baert, Debra Baert, Glenn W. Bricker, Patricia Tucker, Betty Marsh, Josephine Brown, Edward A. Dupuis, Pauline Calley, Margaret Duguay, John S. Reever DDS, David Barney, Frances M. Platt, Thomas D. Winn, Roger W. Calley, and Samuel R. Norman)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and expend the sum of \$30,000.00 to obtain the necessary quitclaim deeds and make the necessary repairs as required in Article 12. (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee).

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend without further vote of the Town, Federal and State grants which may become available during the course of the year, and also to accept and expend money from any government units or private sources to be used for purposes for which Towns may legally appropriate money; provided (1) that such grants and other monies do not require the expenditure of other Town funds not specifically appropriated for the particular purpose for which the grant or other monies are received, (2) that a public hearing shall be held by the Board of Selectmen, and (3) that such items shall be exempt from all the provisions of RSA 32 relative to limitations and expenditures of Town monies, all as provided by RSA 31:95-B, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell surplus or obsolete supplies and equipment by public auction or sealed bid or to transfer items of historical significance to the Ashland Historical Society without further vote of the Town, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow such sums in anticipation of Taxes, from such sources, upon such terms and conditions as they deem advisable and prudent for the operation of the Town, and to execute such documents on behalf of the Town as may be reasonably necessary to accomplish this purpose, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of property taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept such prepayment as provided by RSA 80:52-a, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37 for the exemption for the blind from property tax? This statute provides that every inhabitant who is legally blind shall be exempt each year from the property tax on a residence to the value of \$15,000.00.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to oppose the burial, storage, transportation and production of high level radioactive waste in the Town of Ashland and State of New Hampshire; and to call upon Congress to conduct an independent investigation with full public participation into the feasibility and prudence of the US Department of Energy's (DOE's) present plan to dispose of radioactive waste and into the DOE's competence to carry out such a plan.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to adopt written welfare guidelines as proposed by the Board of Selectmen. Chapter 380 of the Laws of 1985 requires the Town to adopt written welfare guidelines prior to April 1, 1986. (Copies of the full text of the proposed guidelines are on file with the Town Clerk.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Reports of its Boards, Commissions, Committees and Officers for the year 1985, subject to the correction of errors when and if found.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations of the same, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee and to pass any vote in relation thereto, or to act on anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Board of Selectmen

Attest, a true copy:

Hilda M. Harris John C. Hughes Board of Selectmen

# 1986 Ashland Town Budget

# Town of Ashland

	Actual	Actual		Budget C	<b>Budget Committee</b>
	Appro-	Expendi-	Selectmen's	Recom-	
	priations	tures	Budget	mended	Not
PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	1985	1985	1986	1986	Recom-
(RSA 31:4)	(1985-86)	(1985-86)	(1986-87)	(1986-87)	mended
General Government:					
Town Officers Salary	\$ 6,375.00	\$ 6,375.00	\$ 7,581.00	\$ 7,581.00	<b>⇔</b>
Town Officers Expenses	55,050.00	64,226.25	87,582.00	84,482.00	3.100.00
Election and Registration Expenses	1,035.00	390.00	1,190.00	1,190.00	
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General Government Buildings	17,730.00	34,186.20	19,600.00	17,600.00	2.000.00
Reappraisal of Property	2,300.00	2,507.50	3,000.00	3.000.00	
Planning and Zoning	1,100.00	860.27	2,272.00	1.936.00	336.00
Legal Expenses	6,000.00	5,224.09	15,000.00	13.500.00	1.500 00
Advertising and Regional Association	1,446.00	1,445.82	1.587.00	1.587.00	
Contingency Fund					
Industrial Development Comm.	18,500.00	13,549.90	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Public Safety:	-				
Police Department	84,531.00	89,332.91	153,987.00	150,487.00	3,500.00
Fire Department	40,050.00	36,104.78	58,068.00	57,418.00	650.00
Civil Defense	25.00	133.45	100.00	100.00	
Building Inspection	3,950.00		4,286.00	3,929.00	357.00

123,717.00	103,689.04	183,898.00	178,093.00	5,805.00
15,700.00	15,687.28	15,700.00	15,700.00	
48,801.00	714.03	2,000.00	2,000.00	
24,188.81	20,582.10	23,511.55	23,511.55	
19,883.00	17,453.91	26,841.00	26,841.00	
6,525.00	18,427.41	8,259.00	8,259.00	
9,409.00		9,409.00	9,409.00	
3,000.00		2,679.00	2,679.00	
3,000.00	1,322.01	8,000.00	8,000.00	
10,000.00	10,371.59			
	30,827.93			
10,115.00	10,115.00	11,115.00	11,000.00	115.00
28,617.00	28,726.18	37,861.00	36,630.00	1,231.00
875.00	200.00	875.00	00.009	275.00
100.00	115.04	100.00	100.00	
	123,717.00 15,700.00 48,801.00 24,188.81 19,883.00 9,409.00 3,000.00 3,000.00 10,000.00 10,115.00 28,617.00 875.00 100.00	103 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	103,689.04 15,687.28 714.03 20,582.10 17,453.91 18,427.41 18,371.59 30,827.93 10,115.00 28,726.18 500.00	103,689.04     183,898.00     178,       15,687.28     15,700.00     2       20,582.10     23,511.55     23       17,453.91     26,841.00     26       17,453.91     26,841.00     26       18,427.41     8,259.00     8       1,322.01     8,000.00     2       10,371.59     30,827.93     11,115.00     11       10,115.00     11,115.00     11     37,861.00       500.00     875.00     36       500.00     875.00

Debt Service: Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	
& Notes	21,560.00	21,567.50	21,560.00	21,560.00	
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	30,000.00	39,335.44	30,000.00	30,000.00	
Capital Outlay: Highway Department	25,058.00	26,181.16	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Fire Department			45,000.00	8,100.00	36,900.00
Police Department Parks and Recreation			15,000.00 12,000.00	15,000.00 12,000.00	
Miscellaneous:					
Municipal Water Department	71,117.00	66,980.62	1,778,375.00	1,778,375.00	
Municipal Sewer Department	212,860.00	100,369.22	191,803.00	191,803.00	
Municipal Electric Department FICA, Retirement & Pension	1,544,000.00	1,197,579.35	1,559,000.00	1,559,000.00	
Contributions	12,340.00	15,600.80	4,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
Insurance	45,938.00	49,028.60			
Unemployment Compensation			2,000.00	300.00	1,700.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,539,895.81	\$2,064,511.28	\$4,391,739.55	\$4,331,270.55	\$ 60,469.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)	Exclusive of T ve of School ar	axes	(88)	\$3,956,191.00 375,079.55	

Estimated Revenues 1985	Actual Revenues 1985	Selectmen's Budget 1986	Estimated Revenues 1986	
(1985-86)	(1985-86)	(1986-87)	(1986-87)	
12,200.00	11,090.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	
1,000.00	1,720.41	500.00	500.00	
35,000.00	38,496.14	35,000.00	35,000.00	
1,000.00	1,181.58	1,000.00	1,000.00	
2,500.00	2,887.90	2,500.00	2,500.00	
80.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	
49,162.00	141,579.27	49,162.00	49,162.00	
24,188.81	24,188.81	23,511.00	23,511.00	
33,617.00	32,660.00	33,617.00	33,617.00	
28.00	49.63	58.00	28.00	
20.00				
		1,161,000.00	1,161,000.00	
60,000.00	72,297.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	
4,000.00	4,321.34	4,000.00	4,000.00	
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	36,100.00	100.00		23,100.00		20,000.00	23,000.00				448,000.00		1,914,178.00	72,000.00	30,378.00		\$3,956,191.00	
6	36,100.00	100.00		23,100.00		20,000.00	23,000.00				448,000.00		1,914,178.00	72,000.00	30,378.00		\$3,956,191.00	
	29,974.16	14,495.00	175.00	23,100.00		22,043.12	10,098.25	187.00	1,330.00				1,827,977.00		28,890.00		\$2,289,669.11	
	31,600.00	4,000.00	250.00	23,100.00		20,000.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,330.00		45,000.00		1,727,977.00	100,000.00	30,378.00	15,000.00	\$2,224,977.81	
Charges For Services:	Income from Departments	Rent of Town Property	Fines and Forfeits	Electric Department	Miscellaneous Revenues:	Interest on Deposits	Sale of Town Property	Timber Tax	Donations	Other Financing Sources:	Proceeds of Bonds & Long-Term Notes	Income from Water and Sewer	& Electric	Withdrawal from Capital Reserve	Revenue Sharing Fund	Fund Balance	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	

# **Emergency Telephones**

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	968-3083
Tax Collector	968-4432
Town Clerk	968-4432
Plymouth Ambulance Service	536-1252
Sceva Speare Memorial Hospital (Plymouth)	536-1120
Lakes Region General Hospital (Laconia)	524-3211
Physician, Dr. Glenn Bricker	968-3325
Ashland Schools - Office	968-7622
Superintendent's Office	279-7947
Dentist, Dr. John S. Reever	968-7600

### 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 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 968-7080

1st Deputy 968-3054

2nd Deputy 968-3509

