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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
OFFICERS AND BOARDS
OF THE
TOWN OF ASHLAND
NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2009



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TOWN OF ASHLAND – GRAFTON COUNTY

POPULATION – 2010

DATE OF INCORPORATION – 1868

TELEPHONE COMPANY – FAIRPOINT

CABLE – TIME WARNER

TOWN OFFICE – 20 HIGHLAND STREET

HOURS - MON, TUES, WED, FRI 8-4 , THURS 8-5

WELFARE OFFICE HOURS – THURSDAY 5:30-7:30

BUILDING INSPECTOR HOURS – THURSDAY 4-5

ADMINISTRATION	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	968-4432
ASSESSING	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432
BUILDING PERMITS	BUILDING INSPECTOR	968-4432
BURN PERMITS	FIRE DEPARTMENT	968-7772
DOGS-LICENSING	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
DOGS – AT LARGE	POLICE DEPARTMENT	968-4000
ELECTIONS	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
VOTER REGISTRATION	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
ELECTRIC SERVICE	ASHLAND ELECTRIC	968-3083
HEALTH OFFICER	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432
TOWN LIBRARY	SCRIBNER LIBRARY	968-7928
VEHICLE RESISTRATION	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
LAND USE – PLANNING/ZONING	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432
POLICE	POLICE DEPARTMENT	968-4000
PARKS AND RECREATION	P/R DEPARTMENT	968-9209
RECYCLING	TRANSFER STATION	968-9032
ROAD MAINTENANCE	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	968-3166
SCHOOLS	ASHLAND ELEMENTARY	968-7622
	PLYMOUTH REGIONAL HS	536-1444
PROPERTY TAXES	TAX COLLECTOR	968-4432
VITAL RECORDS	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
WATER/SEWER DEPT	BILLING OFFICE	968-4002
	TREATMENT PLANT	968-7193
WELFARE	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432

OUTSIDE AGENCIES

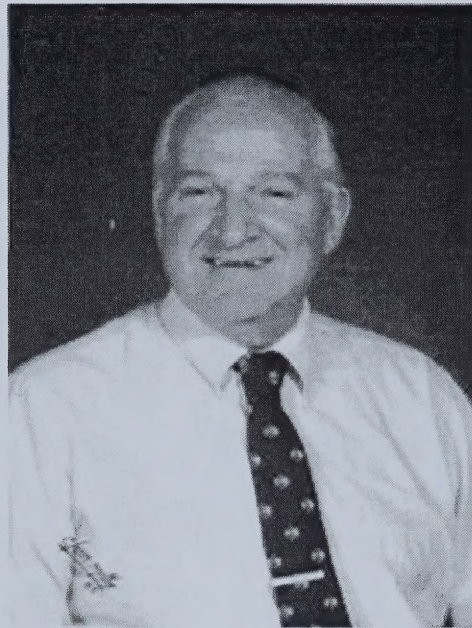
FOOD PANTRY	COMMUNITY CENTER	968-9698
PEMI BAKER HOME HEALTH		536-2232
ASHLAND POST OFFICE		968-7511



DAVID RUELL

David Ruell is a part time reporter for the Record Enterprise. David has covered the meetings of the Ashland Selectmen and the Ashland School Board, and for some years also covered the meetings of the Pemi Baker School Board. He has also covered town meetings in other towns. From 2000 through 2004 David wrote a column for Foster's Sunday Citizen on the history of the Lakes Region. He has served on numerous committees, most recently as chairman of the Ashland Budget Committee on which he has been a member for 17 years. David has been active for many years in the Ashland Historical Society. He is an Ashland Town Library Trustee, and has been a ballot clerk for many years. He was health officer from 1977-1986, he served on the Ashland Planning Board from 1978-1989. He is on the bandstand committee and is chairman of the Civil War Monument Committee.

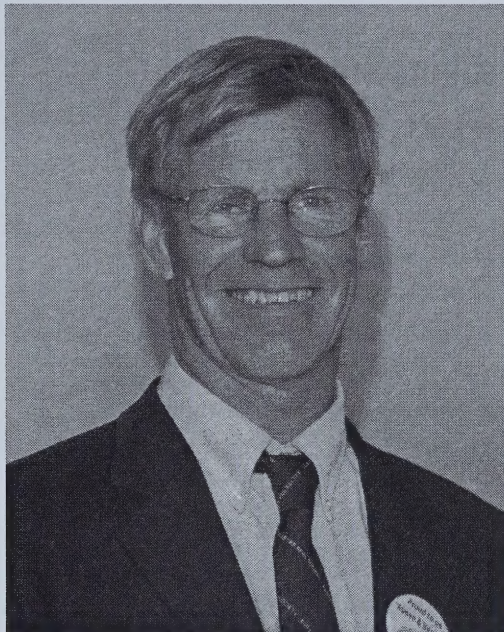
We are grateful for all the volunteer work and time that David has contributed to the community.



REV. EVERETT PALMER

Rev. Palmer has been in the Christian Ministry for 42 years. He is the minister for the First Free Will Baptist Church in Ashland. He has worked in conjunction with the Ashland Community Center helping those in need. He has counseled many people and helped them through difficult times. He works with vacation bible school, is a necrologist reporter for ABC/VNH Ministries. He is involved with the Bob McLaughlin Evangelical Association, the Institute for the Laity. He has officiated numerous baptisms, weddings, funerals, house calls visitations in nursing homes, baby dedications and conducted church services and sang with the area cantata group. You name it he has probably served on it. Rev Palmer has volunteered to help in the community in so many ways.

Rev. Palmer is certainly an asset to our town and we wish him well upon his retirement.



ALEX RAY

Alex Ray opened the first Common Man Restaurant in Ashland in November of 1971. In 1970 after graduating from the Culinary Institute of America, he opened Pine Shore, a little summer restaurant on Squam Lake in Holderness, NH. Alex now has 23 restaurants throughout New Hampshire. Alex donates food to the Food for All on Tuesdays at the Ashland Booster Club, donates food for the Ashland Woman's Club breakfast with the Easter Bunny and breakfast with Santa held at the Common Man in Ashland, and donates food for Thanksgiving dinner at the Ashland Booster Club, and also free dinner for Christmas at the Common Man in Ashland. Whenever there is a fire, flood, or any other tragedy Alex is always there to donate food, drinks and a place to stay at the Common Man Inn. Alex also owns the Daniel Webster Project, an Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Center in Franklin, N.H. Alex has spent many hours and much money helping out in Ashland. His services extend outside our community and have included help in New Orleans and most recently Haiti.

We are certainly grateful for all Alex has done for our town.

WE REMEMBER.....

I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done,
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
of happy times and laughing
times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who
grieve, to dry before the sun
of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

Author Unknown

With fond memories we remember the citizens we have lost this year:

*Leo Shea
Thomas Kameron
Elizabeth Weden
Brian Smith
Dorothy Dupuis
Michael Agnelli
Francis Burr
Regina Evans
Rene Latulippe Jr.
Karen Pettitt
Edward Dupuis
Richard Duclos
John Hughes Jr.
Steven Samson*

BOARDS AND OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
EDDIE P. LITTLE
JEANETTE Y. STONWORT
LEIGH SHARPS
ROBERT CORCORAN
SANDRA COLEMAN

TOWN CLERK
TOWN ENGINEER
TOWN TREASURER
TOWN MANAGER

TOWN ADJUSTER
TOWN ATTORNEY
TOWN ENGINEER
TOWN MANAGER
TOWN CLERK
TOWN TREASURER
TOWN MANAGER
TOWN CLERK
TOWN TREASURER
TOWN MANAGER



WINE MERCHANT - DEPUTY
TOWN TREASURER
LINDA GAYOTTE
LINDA EASTMAN - DEPUTY
TOWN MANAGER
PAUL J. FRETTON

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
THOMAS PETERS
RICHARD PAGE
RICHARD COHEN
MARGARET DUNN

LINDA GAYOTTE
LINDA EASTMAN
TOWN MANAGER
PAUL J. FRETTON
TOWN MANAGER
PAUL J. FRETTON

ELBERTA CORNELL
WILLIAM F. CORNELL
DANIEL W. CORNELL
KATHLEEN J. CORNELL

WILLIAM F. CORNELL
KATHLEEN J. CORNELL
ROBERT BOYLE
KATHLEEN J. CORNELL
WILLIAM F. CORNELL

TOWN BOARDS AND OFFICIALS

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DENNIS POTTER 2010
 JEANETTE I STEWART 2010
 LEIGH SHARPS 2011
 ROBERT COMEAU 2011
 SANDRA COLEMAN 2012

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

TIMOTHY CULLENEN

OFFICE ASSISTANT

PATRICIA CROWELL

FINANCE OFFICER

JENNIFER CORREIA

TOWN CLERK

PATRICIA TUCKER 2011
 ANNE ABEAR -- DEPUTY

TAX COLLECTOR

PATRICIA TUCKER
 ANNE ABEAR -- DEPUTY

TOWN TREASURER

LINDA GUYOTTE 2011
 LINDA EASTMAN - DEPUTY

TOWN MODERATOR

PHILIP PRESTON 2010

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

THOMAS PETERS 2012
 RICHARD PARE 2011
 RICHARD OGDEN 2010

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

LYNN DAVIS 2012
 DAVID RUELL 2011
 ALICE STAPLES 2010

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

TERI LINDEN 2014
 BEVERLY OBER 2012
 MARYANN REINHOLZ 2010

POLICE CHIEF

ANTHONY RANDALL 2011

ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS

MICHAEL EVLETH 2012
 DANIEL VAUGHN 2011
 KENDALL L. HUGHES 2010

WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

ANDREW DAME 2012
 ROBERT BOYLE 2011
 ERNEST PAQUETTE (Resigned) 2010
 ANNE LAMSON 2010

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

MARK OBER, ROAD AGENT
 TIMOTHY PAQUETTE
 DANIEL THOMPSON
 RAYMOND DOW
 DEAN STRAW

TOWN MECHANIC

LEE HUCKINS

PARK/REC DEPARTMENT

JAMES GLEICH

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF ANTHONY RANDALL
 LT DONALD MARREN
 SGT. DANIEL HAMILTON
 OFF. STEPHEN ROWE
 OFF. BRUCE COTE
 ADM. DAVID MOSER
 ADM. KATE RANSOM
 PT OFF. JAMIE LYFORD

SCRIBNER TRUSTEES

DEAN MARCROFT 2010
 ELLIOTT DUPUIS 2012

CONSERVATION COMM

RENEE LEIBERT 2012
 MARK SCHULTZ 2010
 TERRY MYSHRALL 2010
 STACY LUKE 2012
 JOHN LENNON 2011

WELFARE OFFICER

ROBERT HICKS

HOUSING STANDARDS BD

ASHLAND FIRE CHIEF
 ASHLAND HEALTH OFFICER
 ROBERT HICKS 2011
 CLAIRE HICKS 2010

ASHLAND ELECTRIC DEPT

SUPERINDENDENT LEE NICHOLS
 JOE VITTUM

JEFFREY HLADYK

LINDA PACK, EX. SEC.

PATRICIA FLIGG, OFFICE STAFF

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT

OPERATOR - UNITED WATER
 MANAGER RUSSELL CROSS JR
 JOHN FLIGG
 KAY MUDGETT, OFFICE STAFF

ASHLAND PLANNING BOARD

MICHAEL EVLETH 2011
SANDRA COLEMAN - SEL REP
ROBERT BOYLE 2010
GORDON MCCORMACK JR. 2011
ANTHONY RANDALL - ALT. 2010
PAUL BRANSCOMBE 2010

ASHLAND ZONING BOARD

ELAINE ALLARD 2010
MICHELLE FISTEK 2012
ROBERT BOYLE 2012
DON LATULIPPE 2011
PATRICIA TUCKER - ALTERNATE 2011

BUDGET COMMITTEE

DAVID RUELL 2012
PAUL BRANSCOMBE 2010
SANDRA COLEMAN - BOS
SHERRY SMITH 2011
BETH BARTLETT 2011
BRUCE LaRIVIERE 2010
CHRISTINE AUSTIN 2010
STEPHEN LAKE 2010
MIRIAM BROWN - SB REP
KENDALL B. HUGHES - SB ALT
LEIGH SHARPS - BOS ALT

BUILDING INSPECTOR DEPT

ROBERT HICKS, BLD INSPECTOR 2011
BUTCH SMITH, ELEC. INSPECTOR
ERIK AMES, PLUMBING INSP.
FIRE DEPT - HEATING INSP.

JOINT LOSS MGT. COMMITTEE

JAMES GLEICH 2011
DANIEL HAMILTON 2011
PATRICIA CROWELL 2012
JOE VITUM 2010
JEANETTE I. STEWART

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

ROBERT HICKS 2011

HISTORIC COMMISSION

ROBERT HICKS 2011
CLAIRE HICKS 2010

MEMORIAL PARK TRUSTEES

PHILIP PRESTON 2011
ERNEST HUTTER 2011

MARY RUELL
MARION MERRILL

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

CHIEF BRADLEY OBER 2012
DEP. CHIEF CHARLES FOUTS

HEALTH OFFICER

BETH BARTLETT JUNE 2010
DEP SANDRA COLEMAN

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

TIMOTHY CULLENEN

MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION

MARK SCARANO
PAUL BRANSCOMBE
SHERRY DOWNING



2009 ELECTION RESULTS

Town of Ashland Deliberative Session

February 7, 2009

Meeting Minutes

In accordance with the legally posting warrant, Moderator Philip Preston called the Deliberative Session to order at 1:00 PM.

Moderator Preston introduced the head table – Town Attorney Laura Spector, Town Administrator Timothy Cullenen, Selectmen Jeanette I. Stewart, Robert Comeau, Roberta Hoerter, Beth Bartlett, Leigh Sharps; Town Clerk Patricia Tucker; Budget Committee members David Ruell, Miriam Brown, Dennis Potter, Sherry Smith.

Moderator Preston announced that the official balloting would take place on March 10, 2009 with the polls being open from 9 AM to 7 PM.

Article 1:

To choose all of the following officers for the year ensuing:

- (1) Selectman for three year term
- (1) Selectman for one year term
- (1) Police Chief for two-year term
- (1) Town Trustee of the Trust Funds for three-year term
- (1) Library Trustee for three-year term
- (1) Electric Commissioner for three-year term
- (1) Water and Sewer Commissioner for three year term
- (2) Budget Committee member for three-year term
- (1) Budget Committee member for two year term
- (1) Budget Committee member for one year term

Moderator Preston declared that this article would appear on the ballot as written with candidates.

Article 2: Zoning

Amendment #1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 2.3d to permit back lots (so-called flag or hammerhead lots) that have access to a public road by a private right of way that is at least 50 feet wide?

Amendment #2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 2.3e to replace the prior density requirements for the commercial and village residential zones having town sewer and water with requirements of at least 5,000 square feet of land area per dwelling unit with a maximum of 4 bedrooms, 3,750 square feet per dwelling unit with a maximum of 3 bedrooms, and 2,500 square feet per dwelling unit with 1 or 2 bedrooms? This amendment would further provide that the minimum square footages described above would apply only to the first 3 dwelling units on a lot. Each additional dwelling unit of up to 4 bedrooms would require a minimum of 5,000 square feet of land area, with an additional 1,250 square feet required for each additional bedroom above 4.

Amendment #3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Add Article 2.4d to prohibit lots without town sewer from using slopes greater than 25%, areas of exposed ledge, wetlands, fill materials, and areas unsuitable for septic placement in determining countable area for minimum lot size?

Planning Board member Anthony Randall gave a brief description of the changes in the Zoning Ordinance if the above article passed.

Article #3:

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as an operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$6,363,405. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$6,138,379 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Moderator Preston read this article, there was no discussion, and Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four-hundred nineteen thousand three-hundred forty nine dollars (\$419,349) for the construction, any costs related to construction and easement, engineering, and other costs related to securing State and Federal permits, for the replacement of the River Street Bridge. Of that amount, 80% (approximately \$335,479) shall be reimbursed to the Town as Bridge Aid from the State of NH. Further, to authorize the withdrawal

of the balance of \$72,000 from the River Street Bridge Capital Reserve Fund established in 2004 for that purpose. The **balance of eleven thousand eight hundred and seventy dollars (\$11,870) is to be raised from taxation.** The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 8-0 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion; Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #5

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the River Street Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004 should River Street Bridge Reconstruction – Article #4 pass. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 8-0 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion; Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #6

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Employee Disability Payment Fund to an Employee Compensated Benefit Fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend funds from said Fund. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-1-2 to recommend this article. (2/3 majority Vote required).

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion; Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to reconstruct a portion of Sanborn Road. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the construction is completed or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-3 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion; Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to provide funding for repair and reconstruction of the roof of the Squam River Covered Bridge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the construction is completed or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 3-1 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-2-1 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) to purchase a replacement engine for the Town Highway Department grader. The board of selectmen voted 3-1 not to recommend this article. The budget committee vote 7-0-1 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Moderator Preston read the article.

Leigh Sharps moved to amend the article to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed seven thousand dollars (\$7000) to purchase a replacement engine for the Town Highway Department grader. Seconded by Jeanette I. Stewart.

Following discussion Moderator Preston declared the amendment adopted by voice vote.

Selectman Bartlett moved that the Board recommend this article as amended; Seconded – Leigh Sharps; Vote 4-1 in favor

Moderator Preston announced that the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Article #10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one-hundred twenty-four thousand dollars (\$124,000) to purchase a sidewalk plow and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of thirty-five thousand (\$35,000) from the Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund. The balance of eighty-nine thousand dollars (\$89,000) is to be raised from taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the plow is purchased or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-3 to recommend this article (Majority Vote Required).

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #11

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund should Sidewalk Plow – Article #10 pass. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-3 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required).

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #12

To see if the Town will vote to create a Police Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing a police vehicle in the future, to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited into that fund and to

appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend funds from said Fund. The amount of the appropriation is to be raised from taxation. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-2-1 not to recommend this article (Majority Vote Required).

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-six thousand dollars (\$46,000) for the purchase, installation, and other ancillary expenses relating to installation of an air exchange/exhaust for the Town Fire Department. Of that amount, forty thousand three-hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$40,375) shall be received from Department of Homeland Security – FEMA grant with the balance of five thousand-six hundred twenty-five dollars (\$5,625) to be raised from taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the installation is completed or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen does recommend this article. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 8-0 to recommend this article (Majority Vote Required).

Moderator Preston read the article.

Roberta Hoerter made a motion to have the words “balance of five thousand six hundred twenty five dollars (\$5,625) to be raised by taxation” bolded on the official ballot.

Second – Beth Bartlett

Moderator Preston called for the vote on the amendment and declared the amendment passed by voice vote.

Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Article #14

Submitted by petition: Shall the Town of Ashland employ a full time paid fire chief and raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 to compensate that full time paid fire chief in 2009, instead of continuing to utilize the services of a part time on-call fire chief. The board of selectmen voted 3-1 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 6-0-2 to recommend this article (Majority vote required)

Moderator Preston read the article. Discussion followed -

Dennis Potter moved to amend the article to read: Shall the Town of Ashland employ a full time paid fire chief and raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 to compensate that full time paid fire chief in 2009, instead of continuing to utilize the services of a part time on-call fire chief. It is anticipated that in the future salary and benefits for this position will be approximately \$80,000.

Seconded by Stephen Lake. Following discussion Moderator Preston called for a standing vote; Yes 23, No 28, Moderator Preston declared the motion to have failed.

The being no further amendments, Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as originally written.

Article #15

Submitted by petition: Shall the Town of Ashland authorize the Commissioners of the Town Electric Department to transfer, sell, convey, dispose, or assign all of the real and personal property and rights constituting the Squam Lake Dam hydroelectric generating facility, located at the outlet of Little Squam Lake, including a Lease Agreement between the Town Electric Department and the State of New Hampshire dated May 27, 1981, with terms and conditions to be determined by the Commissioners of the Town Electric Department. (Majority vote required)

Moderator read the article.

Daniel Vaughn moved to amend the article to read: Shall the Town of Ashland authorize the Town to transfer, sell, convey, dispose, or assign all of the real and personal property and rights constituting the Squam Lake Dam hydroelectric generating facility, located at the outlet of Little Squam Lake, including a Lease Agreement between the Town Electric Department and the State of New Hampshire dated May 27, 1981, with terms and conditions to be determined by the Commissioners of the Town Electric Department. All monies received from such sale shall remain with the electric department. (Majority vote required)

Seconded by Lee Nichols

Following discussion Moderator Preston called for a voice vote and declared the amendment defeated; a standing vote was called for resulting in yes 23, no 23 and the amendment was declared defeated. At least seven voters present called for a secret ballot vote. Results – 54 ballots cast – Yes 19, No 34, Blank 1 – the amendment was declared defeated.

Leigh Sharps moved to amend the article to read: Shall the Town of Ashland authorize the Town to transfer, sell, convey, dispose, or assign all of the real and personal property and rights constituting the Squam Lake Dam hydroelectric generating facility, located at the outlet of Little Squam Lake, including a Lease Agreement between the Town Electric Department and the State of New Hampshire dated May 27, 1981, with terms and conditions to be determined by the Commissioners of the Town Electric Department.

Seconded by Beth Bartlett

Following discussion Moderator Preston called for a voice vote and declared the amendment passed with no dissent.

Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Leigh Sharps moved to restrict reconsideration on articles 3-15; seconded by Beth Bartlett – following discussion David Marsh moved to table the motion, seconded by Douglas Ober; Moderator Preston declared the motion to table passed by voice vote.

Article #16

Submitted by petition: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to come from general taxation to purchase two electric generators, one to be installed at the Town Garage and the other to be installed at the Town Fire Department. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 7-1 to recommend this article (Majority vote required)

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #17

Submitted by petition: If funding for Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc's services for Ashland residents is not approved through the regular Town Budget process, we request that \$5,000 be allocated to Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. for services for Ashland Residents in 2009. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support, ServiceLink support, and more. In 2008 Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. provided services to 117 Ashland residents and the cost of providing these services was \$66,922.86. The board of selectmen voted 2-2 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 6-2 to recommend this article (Majority vote required)

Moderator Preston read the article.

Jeanette I. Stewart moved to amend the article to read: If funding for Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc's services for Ashland residents is not approved through the regular Town Budget process, we request that \$5,000 be raised and appropriated for Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. for services for Ashland Residents in 2009. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support, ServiceLink support, and more. In 2008 Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. provided services to 117 Ashland residents and the cost of providing these services was \$66,922.86.

Seconded by Leigh Sharps

Following discussion Moderator Preston called for a vote on the amendment and declared it passed by voice vote.

Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Article #18

To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of its boards, commissions, and officers for the year 2008 subject to corrections of errors when and if found.

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #19

Are you in favor of amending Article 6 of the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to utilize the 2009 International Residential Codes?

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #20

Are you in favor of amending Article 6 of the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to utilize the 2009 International Building Codes?

Moderator Preston read the article, following discussion Moderator Preston declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article #21

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. – None

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4 PM – Leigh Sharps; seconded Beth Bartlett; passed by voice vote.

***Patricia Tucker
Ashland Town Clerk
February 7, 2009***



ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 10, 2009

Patricia Tucker TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice (s) like this:
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SELECTMAN three year term vote for not more than one SANDRA COLEMAN 271 BETH BARTLETT 185 (Write-in)

TOWN TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS three-year term vote for not more than one THOMAS PETERS 369 (Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER three-year term vote for not more than two KENDALL "KB" HUGHES 305 DAVID RUELL 301 (Write-in)

SELECTMAN one year term vote for not more than one DENNIS POTTER 260 (Write-in)

LIBRARY TRUSTEE three-year term vote for not more than one LYNN DAVIS 417 (Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER two year term vote for not more than one BETH BARTLETT 287 (Write-in)

POLICE CHIEF two-year term vote for not more than one JAMIE LYFORD 119 ANTHONY "TONY" RANDALL 199 TIMOTHY SWEETSIR 161 (Write-in)

ELECTRIC COMMISSIONER three-year term vote for not more than one MICHAEL EVLETH 387 (Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER one year term vote for not more than one Paul Branscombe 27 (Write-in)

WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONER three-year term vote for not more than one ANDREW DAME 405 (Write-in)

ARTICLES

Article #3:

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as an operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$6,363,405. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$6,138,379 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

143 YES NO 316

Article #4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four-hundred nineteen thousand three-hundred forty nine dollars (\$419,349) for the construction, any costs related to construction and easement, engineering, and other costs related to securing State and Federal permits, for the replacement of the River Street Bridge. Of that amount, 80% (approximately \$335,479) shall be reimbursed to the Town as Bridge Aid from the State of NH. Further, to authorize the withdrawal of the balance of \$72,000 from the River Street Bridge Capital Reserve Fund established in 2004 for that purpose. The balance of eleven thousand eight hundred and seventy dollars (\$11,870) is to be raised from taxation. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 8-0 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

310 YES NO 157

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article #5

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the River Street Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004 should River Street Bridge Reconstruction – Article #4 pass. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 8-0 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

316
YES
NO 139

Article #6

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Employee Disability Payment Fund to an Employee Compensated Benefit Fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend funds from said Fund. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-1-2 to recommend this article. (2/3 majority Vote required).

228
YES
NO 220

Article #7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to reconstruct a portion of Sanborn Road. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the construction is completed or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-3 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

164
YES
NO 302

Article #8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to provide funding for repair and reconstruction of the roof of the Squam River Covered Bridge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the construction is completed or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 3-1 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-2-1 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

153
YES
NO 312

Article #9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed seven thousand dollars (\$7000) to purchase a replacement engine for the Town Highway Department grader. The board of selectmen voted 4-1 to recommend this article. The budget committee vote 6-0 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

324
YES
NO 145

Article #10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one-hundred twenty-four thousand dollars (\$124,000) to purchase a sidewalk plow and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of thirty-five thousand (\$35,000) from the Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund. The balance of eighty-nine thousand dollars (\$89,000) is to be raised from taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the plow is purchased or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-3 to recommend this article (Majority Vote Required).

149
YES
NO 320

Article #11

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund should Sidewalk Plow – Article #10 pass. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-3 to recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required).

246
YES
NO 203

Article #12

To see if the Town will vote to create a Police Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing a police vehicle in the future, to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited into that fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend funds from said Fund. The amount of the appropriation is to be raised from taxation. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 5-2-1 not to recommend this article (Majority Vote Required).

151
YES
NO 318

Article #13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-six thousand dollars (\$46,000) for the purchase, installation, and other ancillary expenses relating to installation of an air exchange/exhaust for the Town Fire Department. Of that amount, forty thousand three-hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$40,375) shall be received from Department of Homeland Security – FEMA grant with the balance of five thousand-six hundred twenty-five dollars (\$5,625) to be raised from taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the installation is completed or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. The board of selectmen voted 5-0 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 8-0 to recommend this article (Majority Vote Required).

299
YES
NO 166

Article #14

Submitted by petition: Shall the Town of Ashland employ a full time paid fire chief and raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 to compensate that full time paid fire chief in 2009, instead of continuing to utilize the services of a part time on-call fire chief. The board of selectmen voted 3-1 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 6-0-2 to recommend this article (Majority vote required)

142
YES
NO 332

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING



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MARCH 10, 2009**

Patricia Tucker
TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article #15

Submitted by petition: Shall the Town of Ashland authorize the Town to transfer, sell, convey, dispose, or assign all of the real and personal property and rights constituting the Squam Lake Dam hydroelectric generating facility, located at the outlet of Little Squam Lake, including a Lease Agreement between the Town Electric Department and the State of New Hampshire dated May 27, 1981, with terms and conditions to be determined by the Commissioners of the Town Electric Department. (Majority Vote Required)

YES 147
NO 318

Article #16

Submitted by petition: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to come from general taxation to purchase two electric generators, one to be installed at the Town Garage and the other to be installed at the Town Fire Department. The board of selectmen voted 4-0 not to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 7-1 to recommend this article (Majority vote required)

YES 118
NO 358

Article #17

Submitted by petition: If funding for Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc's services for Ashland residents is not approved through the regular Town Budget process, we request that \$5,000 be raised and appropriated for Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. for services for Ashland Residents in 2009. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support, ServiceLink support, and more. In 2008 Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. provided services to 117 Ashland residents and the cost of providing these services was \$66,922.86. The board of selectmen voted 2-2 to recommend this article. The budget committee voted 4-2 to recommend this article (Majority vote required)

YES 346
NO 126

Article #18

To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of its boards, commissions, and officers for the year 2008 subject to corrections of errors when and if found. (Majority Vote Required)

YES 402
NO 35

Article #19

Are you in favor of amending Article 6 of the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to utilize the 2009 International Residential Codes? (Majority Vote Required)

YES 256
NO 178

Article #20

Are you in favor of amending Article 6 of the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to utilize the 2009 International Building Codes? (Majority Vote Required)

YES 255
NO 176

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

Vote for not more than one
One Year Term

KENDALL "KB" HUGHES 301

(Write-in)

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Vote for not more than one
One Year Term

BRIAN CHALMERS 376

(Write-in)

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR

Vote for not more than one
One Year Term

PHILIP PRESTON 398

(Write-in)

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

Vote for not more than one
One Year Term

PATRICIA TUCKER 398

(Write-in)

"Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Ashland Elementary School on the second Tuesday of March?"

PASSED

YES 285
NO 69

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

**PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10, 2009**

Laura M. Desjardis
Pemi-Baker Regional
School District Clerk

PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

<p align="center">MODERATOR</p> <p align="center"><small>(1-Year Term) Vote for not more than one</small></p> <p>QUENTIN BLAINE 344</p> <p align="center"><small>(Write-in)</small></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM CAMPTON</p> <p align="center"><small>(3-Year Term) Vote for not more than one</small></p> <p>LISA ASH 347</p> <p align="center"><small>(Write-in)</small></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM PLYMOUTH</p> <p align="center"><small>(3-Year Term) Vote for not more than one</small></p> <p>BARBARA A. NOYES 220</p> <p>OMER C. AHERN, JR. 141</p> <p align="center"><small>(Write-in)</small></p>
<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM ASHLAND</p> <p align="center"><small>(3-Year Term) Vote for not more than one</small></p> <p>CATHERINE E. HAHN 370</p> <p align="center"><small>(Write-in)</small></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM HOLDERNESS</p> <p align="center"><small>(3-Year Term) Vote for not more than one</small></p> <p>ANDREW C. HANCOCK 320</p> <p align="center"><small>(Write-in)</small></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM THORNTON</p> <p align="center"><small>(3-Year Term) Vote for not more than one</small></p> <p>CAROLYN M. VARIN 307</p> <p align="center"><small>(Write-in)</small></p>

Article 2: Are you in favor of changing the term of the moderator from one year to two years, beginning with the term of the moderator to be elected at next year's regular school district meeting? (Submitted by Petition) YES 117 NO 288

WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 1: To see if the School District will vote to authorize the School Board to negotiate and execute such tuition contracts as the board may determine advisable for students inside or outside the Pemi-Baker Regional School District. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required) YES 320 NO 115

Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and further to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for such contingency fund. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) YES 163 NO 270

Article 3: To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to form a committee to study the feasibility of seeking alternative energy options for the heating of school buildings and other uses. Such a committee would consist of Board Members, district residents and others, and further to see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to engage consultants and other related costs. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) YES 187 NO 254

Article 4: To see if the School District will vote to authorize and empower the School Board to borrow up to one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) representing a portion of the State of New Hampshire's share of special education costs for the 2009-2010 school year, pursuant to RSA 198:20-d upon such terms and conditions as the School Board determines in the best interest of the District: said sum together with the costs of borrowing to be repaid by the State of New Hampshire pursuant to RSA 198:20-d; or to take any action in relation thereto. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) YES 216 NO 214

Article 5: To see if the Pemi-Baker Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session (deliberative session) for the purpose set forth therein, totaling twelve million seven hundred eight thousand five hundred seventy-three dollars (\$12,708,573). The Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.) YES 253 NO 179

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be twelve million eight hundred twelve thousand nine hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$12,812,987), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pemi-Baker Regional School District; or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This sum excludes the sums in Warrant Articles 2 and 3.

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
ZONING BALLOT
ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10, 2009**

Patricia Tucker
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●

AMENDMENTS

Amendment #1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 2.3d to permit back lots (so-called flag or hammerhead lots) that have access to a public road by a private right of way that is at least 50 feet wide?

YES 291
NO 168

Amendment #2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 2.3e to replace the prior density requirements for the commercial and village residential zones having town sewer and water with requirements of at least 5,000 square feet of land area per dwelling unit with a maximum of 4 bedrooms, 3,750 square feet per dwelling unit with a maximum of 3 bedrooms, and 2,500 square feet per dwelling unit with 1 or 2 bedrooms? This amendment would further provide that the minimum square footages described above would apply only to the first 3 dwelling units on a lot. Each additional dwelling unit of up to 4 bedrooms would require a minimum of 5,000 square feet of land area, with an additional 1,250 square feet required for each additional bedroom above 4.

YES 248
NO 211

Amendment #3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Add Article 2.4d to prohibit lots without town sewer from using slopes greater than 25%, areas of exposed ledge, wetlands, fill materials, and areas unsuitable for septic placement in determining countable area for minimum lot size?

YES 291
NO 171

MARCH 10, 2009 WRITE IN VOTES				
BOARD OF SELECTMEN - 3 YR				
		WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONER		BUDGET COMMITTEE - 1 YR
BRANSCOMBE, PAUL		1		
GOLDEN, DAN		10	2 BARASTON, M 1	
RANDALL, TONY		1	1 BARTLETT, BETH 2	
UHLMAN, JEFF		1	1 BARTLETT, LARRY 1	
		BUDGET COMMITTEE - 3 YR		BRANSCOMBE, PAUL 27
BOARD OF SELECTMEN - 1 YEAR				
		BRANSCOMBE, PAUL		6 COLEMAN, SANDRA 2
BAVIS, LEE		1	6 COLLE, JEN 1	
BRANSCOMBE, PAUL		1	1 GASPAR, FERNANDA 1	
COLEMAN, SANDRA		2	1 CROSS, NANCY 1	
DION, GLENN		1	1 DION, GLEN 1	
EATON, ANDREA		1	1 EVLETH, MICHAEL 1	
EVLETH, MICHAEL		1	1 FISK, ROBIN 1	
GOLDEN, DAN		194	1 GOLDEN, DAN 3	
HAHN, TOM		1	1 GROULX, JUDY 1	
LEMBO, MICHAEL		1	1 HAHN, TOM 1	
RANDALL, TONY		3	1 HUGHES, KB 1	
SWEETSIR, TIMOTHY		1	1 JOHNSON, CHARLES 1	
		BRANSCOMBE, PAUL		1 LAMSON, ANNE 1
POLICE CHIEF		BURGESS, RICHARD		1 LAMSON, GERARD 1
		COLEMAN, SANDRA		12 LATULIPPE, MICHAEL 1
MARREN, DON		2 GOLDEN, DAN		1 MARSH, DAVE 1
		HOLLAND, MEL		2 MAZZONE, JOE 1
TOWN TRUSTEE		HUGHES, KENDALL		1 MCCART, JP 1
		JOHNSON, CHARLIE		1 MCCORMACK, GORDON 1
AVERY, LEE		1	1 HUGHES, KENDALL 1	
BRANSCOMBE, PAUL		1	1 JOHNSON, CHARLES 2	
HICKS, BOB		1	1 OBER, DOUG 2	
HUGHES, KENDALL B		1	1 OBER, PAM 1	
HUGHES, KENDALL L		1	1 PAQUETTE, GREG 1	
KNOWLTON, HELEN		1	1 PAQUETTE, TIM 1	
MADOFF, IRVING		1	1 POTTER, DENNIS 9	
MUDGETT, TARA		2	1 PRESTON, PHIL 1	
NICHOLS, LEE		1	1 RANDALL, TONY 1	
RANDALL, CHRIS		1	1 REITSMA, PHYLISS 1	
SMITH, JULIA		1	1 RUELLE, DAVID 3	
UHLMAN, DAN		2 SWEETSIR, TIM		1 RUELLE, DAVID 1
		TITUS, DAN		1 SAMPSON, STEVEN 1
LIBRARY TRUSTEE		UHLMAN, JEFF		1 SMITH, SHERRY 1
				1 TUCKER, PATSY 1
COLEMAN, SANDRA		1	1 UHLMAN, DAN 1	
				1 UHLMAN, JEFF 1
ELECTRIC COMMISSIONER				
ASH JR., RICHARD		1		
DION, GLEN		1		
FELTON, JANE		2		



DEPARTMENT REPORTS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

Submitted by Dennis Potter, Sandra Coleman, Jeanette I. Stewart, Leigh Sharps, Robert Comeau

We take this opportunity to thank all of the dedicated individuals who have given of their time serving on the various town boards and committees. Ashland is a special town, not just for its desirable location surrounded by beautiful lakes and mountains, but because of the people who help in so many ways.

We are very grateful for the dedicated department heads and their staffs for the conscientious efforts to work within the default budget.

We meet regularly on the first and third Monday of the month, as well as having a work session on the second Monday of the month. We encourage attendance at these meetings:

Some of the major accomplishments that the Board has been involved with this year include -

- Welcomed new board members Dennis Potter and Sandra Coleman
- Voters elected Anthony Randall as Police Chief
- Made revisions to the Personnel Policy Manual
- Supported a "Main Street Revitalization Committee" made up of interested citizens of the community and a liaison from the board
- First Annual Squam Lakes Arts and Music Festival was held in July
- We hired a new town auditing firm
- Department of Labor Safety inspection was completed
- Hired Brad Ober as Fire Chief
- Increased revenue by extending the season at the Edward Doggett Campground
- Booster Club repairs were completed
- We were able to stabilize the tax rate for 2009
- Supported the Circle Triathlon held in September
- Held a public hearing regarding the Hydro Generation Facility
- Hired Holden Engineering to oversee the River Street Bridge project
- Received FEMA grant for updating the Emergency Management Plan
- Received a "Safe Routes to School Grant"

This is just an overview of the many issues that members of the Board have dealt with during this past year. The Board will continue to work on completing the projects that have been started in 2009.

Thank you for your support and continued interest in our community.

TOWN ADMINSTRATOR'S REPORT

Submitted by Timothy A. Cullenen – AICP, CMSM

It is my pleasure to submit this commentary for inclusion in the 2009 Town of Ashland annual report.

2009 seemed to go by quickly and there has been a great deal of activity throughout the past twelve months.

- The Town administration staff, with substantial assistance from the employee Joint Loss Management Committee, devoted a great deal of time and resources to improving safe working environments for all town employees, including an update of the Employee Safety Manual.
- Town Departments did an exceptional job of providing services while maintaining a critical eye on expenditures. This degree of attention resulted in finishing 2009 under budget for the Town Operating Budget and allowed a substantial sum to be contributed to the Town Fund Balance.
- 2009 saw the creation of a citizen organized Main Street Revitalization Committee. The purpose of this group will be to identify needs and opportunities for improvements within the heart of Ashland and to spur economic and community development.
- July of 2009 brought the first Squam Lakes Arts and Music Festival to the community. The event brought over 35 vendors, 4 musical acts, and hundreds of visitors to the LW Packard ball field for a day of high quality art and music. By all accounts, it was highly successful.
- The process for the reconstruction of the River Street Bridge began with design and engineering activities taking place. Construction is anticipated in the spring of 2010.
- The election of Police Chief Anthony Randall has brought a renewed sense of professionalism and dedication to the Ashland Police Department. Chief Randall endured the challenges of the New Hampshire State Police Academy and received exemplary scores in all areas. His leadership and dedication to the community sets a high standard for all.

- The town welcomed new Fire Chief Brad Ober to the Ashland Fire Department. Chief Ober has already overseen several improvements to the department's facility and equipment as well as creating a new plan of work for the operations of the department. His focus is on increasing the number of trained responders within the ranks of the force. His professionalism and leadership is also a welcomed addition to the operations of the town.

We continue to work on improving the communication and collaboration between the Town, residents, and business community to respond to the needs of the community effectively and efficiently.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for their dedication to the Town and the time and effort that they devote to their elected positions. I also want to thank all of the Town employees who continue to devote themselves to providing the highest level of service possible to the citizens of Ashland.

On behalf of all Town employees, we wish to thank Finance Officer Jennifer Correia for her dedication and commitment to the Town of Ashland. Jen will be leaving her position at the end of January 2010 to pursue additional educational opportunities. Her professionalism, keen insight, and hard work will certainly be missed. Thank you for all that you have done over the past few years.

I look forward to continuing our efforts to making the Town of Ashland even a greater place to live and work.

ASHLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

Submitted by Chief Anthony L. Randall

The Ashland Police Department in 2009 had two employees graduate from the New Hampshire Police Academy, the first being Officer Bruce Cote, a member of the 149th class as well as myself Chief Anthony L. Randall, a member of the 150th class.

Electing a chief, even though that is how I got the position is a process which I feel is not the appropriate way to employ a police chief. I encourage the residents of the town to change the position back to an appointed position, a process I totally support.

The department now consists of myself, Lieutenant Don Marren, Sergeant Dan Hamilton, Officer Steve Rowe, Officer Bruce Cote and Part Time Officer Jamie Lyford.

This past year the department was fortunate to receive a matching grant from the State of New Hampshire Highway Safety that made it possible for our second cruiser to be equipped with an in-cruiser video camera, which has been installed.

The department was also able to acquire from the Federal Government two reconditioned M-14 rifles, and the only cost to the taxpayers was the postage to get them here.

In my short tenure as Chief I have come to the realization of how important it is having the right equipment to provide protection to the citizens in Ashland. The Department currently has two police cruisers, one of which needs to be replaced having over 105,000 miles on it and should have been replaced before now. The police department needs to have some form of 4 wheel drive vehicle to get around in the winter months. I have experienced first hand the difficulty of driving the police cruisers that only have rear wheel drive and having to respond to emergencies in areas of Town that are virtually impossible to get to during the winter months and hopefully we can get one to add to our force.

Since becoming the Chief, I have been amazed at how busy the department is in dealing with the criminal and illegal activities that go on. In order for us to do our job effectively we need the citizens to inform us as soon as they see suspicious activity and to report things as quickly as possible so that we stand a better chance of solving the case. We in law enforcement know that the public in most cases are our eyes and ears, even though we run active patrols and operate in a proactive manner.

I would like to thank all of the Ashland police personnel for their help and support as I enter law enforcement as their Chief. It certainly has made the transition easier.

I would also like to thank all the departments within the Town of Ashland and the surrounding Towns for extending their support.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Submitted by Director James R. Gleich

Programming:

Ashland Parks and Recreation has had another wonderful year. Working in conjunction with the Ashland Town Library, Ashland Parks and Recreation continued its efforts to offer free introductory computer classes every Tuesday. In addition, Ashland Parks & Recreation has been working closely with the Lakes Region Community Service Council (LRCSC) to help provide opportunities for Ashland town residents, as-well-as area community members working with LRCSC to participate in social and community based activities.

The Summer Day Camp Program continued to be one the areas busiest day camps in the area. The Summer Camp Program had 50 campers registered; six of the students were sponsored through money raised by the "Ashland Camper Scholarship Program." Our Summer Camp Staff did an outstanding job with all of the children under the guidance of Diane Hill, Summer Camp Head Counselor. We are looking forward to another great camp season with the anticipation of many returning camp staff. I would like to thank all of the counselors and staff for all of their great work.

With help from a successful summer program, our After School Program has remained consistent with 21 students registered at the start of the school year. Some of these students are with us on a part-time status. In addition, Megan Hoar came onboard as the "After School Program Assistant." Megan is a full time student at Plymouth State University in the field of Childhood Education, working towards her teaching certification.

The Ashland Firemen's Association did an outstanding job with the ice rink during the winter months. The skating rink, located behind the bandstand at the ball field, continues to offer skating opportunities for everyone throughout the year; ice in the winter and a smooth riding surface during the warmer months. Our thanks go out to these fine members of the Ashland community.

Throughout the year many Ashland residents participated in numerous programs sponsored through Parks & Recreation. These activities included movie field trips, holiday parties, bowling, computer classes (co-sponsored by the Ashland Town Library), and more. Many of these programs will be repeated in 2010 due to their popularity. If you would like to see a particular program in Ashland, just let me know and I will try my best to bring it to life.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Sharps Lumber, Custance Brothers Custom Woodworking, and the Ashland Area Recreation Association (AARA) for their continuous support of the numerous Parks and Recreation programs.

Campground & Beach

The campground and beach has had another great season. The Edward Doggett Campground was at full capacity again this past year. All 23 sites were filled and well used this past summer. We are looking forward to another packed summer at the campground.

The Ashland Beach season was sparked with the return of the swim raft and wheelchair ramp. Our thanks go out to Mark Ober and his crew for all of the wonderful assistance they have given throughout the year installing and removing the wheelchair ramp. The Ashland Beach continues to be one of the only public beaches in New Hampshire that is completely accessible to all would be patrons.

The "Snack Shack" concession booth was a big hit again this past summer. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the lifeguards and beach staff for all of their long hours and dedication to the beach and the beach patrons.

Facilities Updates:

Throughout 2009 many of our facilities have been involved in some type of renovation or refurbishment. All of these improvements have helped to increase the quality of our buildings but also the quality of our programming available to the community. Proposed improvements for 2010 are as follows:

- Continual repairs and upgrades to all facilities.
- Preventive maintenance with the removal and replacement of some older trees from the Edward N. Doggett campground.
- Improving the beach area.

I would like to thank Bill Tirone and the Ashland Elementary School for their continual support of the After School Program and for helping with the renovations to the athletic field.

Many thanks need to go out to all the members of the community who had helped make these repairs and programs possible. Without all of your help, contributions of time, effort, and donations these repairs and upkeep would be impossible. My thanks to Mark Ober, all of the gentlemen at the Highway, Lee Nichols, Electric, Water & Sewer Department, Ashland Firemen Association, and for all of the ladies in the Utilities Office for your assistance with the various project throughout the year. Last but not least, I would like to thank Tim, Patsy, Jen, and Pat for everything they have helped me with throughout the year. Your assistance really makes a difference.

ASHLAND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Submitted by Commissioners Kendall L. Hughes, Daniel Vaughn, Michael Evleth
Superintendent Lee V. Nichols

Goodbye to 2009 as it has been a hectic year for all. Economic down turn, unemployment rising, along with cost of items and lousy weather make the year a forgettable one.

We continue to search for ways and means of cutting our costs of operation in an effort to keep our rates as low as possible. The staff also strives to keep a continuity of service and reduce outages to the minimum. Trees are a major concern so trimming is a priority for us.

During 2009 we set 3 new meters, set 14 new poles, installed 3,750 feet of primary wire and 795 feet of secondary wire.

We wish each and everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

ASHLAND WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS

Submitted by Commissioners Robert A. Boyle, Andrew Dame, Anne H. Lamson

Our wait for some of the money out there for the state to receive to build a septic dumping station did not pan out. We were told we had a good shot at it. Obviously, one was not awarded. No money left for this type of project. We finally heard there was \$600,000 left, but it was not enough to build a dumping station, so it was given somewhere else. We still will look for the possibility of getting a dumping station, sometime.

At this point in time we have completed two thirds of the Cross Road Project. When we obtained permission from State D.O.T. we installed a new water line (550ft) and approximately 600ft. of sewer line. We need to reapply for permission again as this section will be entirely in the "states right of way". We also rebuilt Cross Road to Town specifications as Mr. Ober indicated to us, as well as asphaltting the basic layer (1 ½ inch), which will be finished with a final coat by the Highway Department.

The State and Federal Governments have given us more required testing to do for our drinking water and also wastewater when it needs dumping.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND TRANSFER RECYCLING CENTER

Submitted by Mark Ober

The 2009 year was a very busy year for your highway department. The department worked off a list of projects that by the end of the year included 45 items.

All town departments had to work within the default budget (same funding as 2008). This meant that there were no funds for road construction projects or contracted road maintenance.

In 2010 we are asking to replace the 1998 one ton truck. This vehicle is the work horse of the department. We are also asking to add funds to the sidewalk plow capital reserve fund.

The department welcomed Ray Dow to the department this year. He will share his time between the highway department and the recycling center.

Many thanks go to all the town departments for any assistance that they provided us during the year.

Recycling is still mandatory – many of the consumers are very faithful to this requirement. Remember for all that you recycle; there is less to haul and therefore less to budget for. Transfer station permits are required and can be obtained at the center or at the town office.

A total of 52 containers of household rubbish and 39 containers of construction debris were taken from the center in 2009. The residents generated 615 tons of rubbish and 198 tons of construction debris. These totals are both less than 2008 which is very good.

The income from recycling has been on a roller coaster all year long. We never know from one week to the next what the rate will be. Revenue from the landfill fees totaled \$11,213.00 and recycling fees totaled \$15,130.45.

We instituted a new policy this year by no longer accepting any paint. Oil based paint and stains need to be taken to the annual household hazardous waste collection sites. The date and time of these collection days are posted at the transfer station. Water based paint can be air dried or mixed with cat litter to make it a solid material and then can be disposed of with the rubbish

“Congratulations from Northeast Resource Recovery Association”

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment. The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled in 2009	Environmental Impact
Paper	65.27 tons	Saved 1,110 trees!
Plastics	20.01 tons	Conserved 30,015 gallons of gasoline!
Steel Cans	20500 lbs	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 533,000 hours!

ASHLAND TOWN LIBRARY

Submitted by Library Trustees Alice Staples, Lynn Davis and David Ruell

Ashland Town Library “by the numbers” for 2009:

Patron visits: 10,172	Programs offered: 98	Items circulated: 16,200 (approx.)
Computer users: 1,724	Volunteer hours: 88.95	Home visits: 29

The budget issues that affected the Town of Ashland again this year, had an impact on library collections and services as well. The library continues to provide the best service possible in these tough economic times. Now more than ever, library resources are needed by patrons who are looking for work, using computers for job searches and checking out library material. Circulation statistics rose by almost 3,000 this year!

The Friends of the Library have been active this year, raising almost \$1,400. These funds were used for summer reading programs, and to purchase The National Parks Series DVD set by Ken Burns, Booker Prize winning books and books on resume writing, careers and jobs. The Friends of the Library are always looking for new members. Contact the Ashland Town Library if you are interested in joining the Friends in their support of the library.

Meredith Village Savings Bank donated free passes to the Science Center. In memory of Dorothy Dupuis, funds were donated by friends and family, and used to purchase 44 children’s books. Volunteer hours doubled from 2008, adding almost 90 hours of service to the library. The success of the library depends on all the volunteers that donate time, energy and funds throughout the year, and they are greatly appreciated for all their hard work.

The library was very fortunate to receive a large donation from the Sarah MacMillan Foundation this year. The total sum of \$5,000 was used primarily to purchase a new automated library system (\$2900), with the remainder used to purchase books and dvds for the collection.

The library held 98 programs this year, for children and adults. These included computer classes, story hours, knitting groups, summer reading programs and more. These programs provide exposure to books and reading for children, computer education, and more for the people of Ashland.

The library continues to participate in the activities of the town, with the Friends of the Library hosting Meet the Candidates Night, the library giving out candy for the Halloween parade and hosting Santa Claus for Christmas Night in Ashland. The Friends also held their annual book/bake sale and silent auction on July. The library and Parks and Recreation collaborate throughout the year to the benefit of the children of the town.

Computer issues continued in 2009. The library computers for public access were used by 1,724 individuals. The computers were acquired with a grant from the Gates Foundation in 2002 and while they are still functioning, some capabilities are not compatible with newer technology. These computers are configured especially for public use and are not easily replaced.

Software was purchased to replace the automated library system. Staff is working to implement this system with the least disturbance to library operations. This system functions as the library catalog and also keeps track of our patrons and the books they borrow.

A Space Needs Committee was formed in 2009 and met throughout the winter and spring. A survey was created and distributed at various town offices. Survey results will be analyzed when the committee meets again in 2010. Preliminary analysis indicates quite clearly that the location of the library in the center of the village is of great importance to the town.

The Board of Trustees of Ashland Town Library would like to especially thank the very hard-working library staff, Sara Weinberg, Terry Fouts, Noreen Crawford and Lisa Rollins. All of the above mentioned accomplishments are due to their commitment to bring the best possible service and information resources to the citizens of Ashland.

ASHLAND TOWN LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT 2009

DONATIONS

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 1,494.80
DEPOSITS	\$ 5,403.00
INTEREST	\$ 13.32
TRANSFER TO GENERAL	\$ (5,000.00)
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 1,911.12

PATRON FEES

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 956.56
DEPOSITS	\$ 707.10
INTEREST	\$ 2.29
TRANSFER TO GENERAL	\$ (415.00)
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 1,250.95

COMPUTER FUND

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 2,001.38
INTEREST	\$ 4.23
TRANSFER TO GENERAL	\$ (368.99)
BALANCE 12/31/09	

COPIER FUND

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 582.30
DEPOSITS	\$ 349.50
INTEREST	\$ 0.78
TRANSFER TO GENERAL	\$ (743.92)
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 188.66

CHENEY FUND

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 496.60
INTEREST	\$ 1.24
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 497.84

ORDWAY FUND

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 435.02
INTEREST	\$ 1.09
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 436.11

ADDISON FUND

BALANCE 12/31/08	\$ 124.87
BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 124.87

GENERAL FUND

BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 796.55
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INCOME

TOWN APPROPRIATION	\$ 46,058.00
TRANSFER FROM DONATIONS	\$ 5,000.00
TRANSFER FROM COPIER FUND	\$ 743.92
TRANSFER FROM COMPUTER FUND	\$ 368.99
TRANSFER FROM PATRON FEES	\$ 415.00
GIFTS RECEIVED	\$ 715.00
STATE GRANT	\$ 275.00
REIMBURSEMENT, LOST BOOKS	\$ 104.47
TRADE IN OF OLD COPIER	\$ 50.00
REFUNDS	\$ 55.79
INTEREST	\$ 1.27
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 53,787.44

TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$ 54,583.99
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EXPENDITURES

WAGES	\$ 34,247.84
FICA	\$ 2,123.34
MEDICARE	\$ 496.59
AUDIOS	\$ 1,025.22
BOOKS	\$ 5,822.95
SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$ 330.35
VIDEOS	\$ 732.99
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$ 967.99
SOFTWARE	\$ 2,312.20
TECH SUPPORT	\$ 395.00
COPIER EQUIPMENT	\$ 417.97
DUES	\$ 105.00
MILEAGE	\$ 53.35
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 35.00
POSTAGE AND PO BOX	\$ 230.20
PROGRAMS	\$ 660.94
SUPPLIES	\$ 927.78
UTILITIES	\$ 1,813.95
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 52,698.66

BALANCE 12/31/09	\$ 1,885.33
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ASHLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

Submitted by Chief Bradley Ober

It is with great pleasure that I present my first annual report to the residents of Ashland for the year 2009. First let me start by thanking Chief Thomas Stewart (retired) for his twenty-six (26) years of service to the department. Tom served as Firefighter/EMT, Lieutenant, Deputy Chief and Chief, ending his tenure with Ashland Fire-Rescue in March of 2009.

Since my appointment to Fire Chief in May of this year it has certainly been a 'hit the ground running' mentality. Many items have been accomplished, yet many remain unfinished or not even started.

As you know the department was awarded a Fire Act grant for the installation of a much needed vehicle exhaust removal system. We were also able to get two other projects wired for power at the same time; these projects were completed in mid-December. A once deadline of August, this has certainly been time consuming with delays on all parties parts for completion. It has proven to be very difficult to coordinate these efforts as most contractors and companies are only available during daytime hours. We are fortunate to have some staff available to assist these companies on installation days.

A focus on training has been 'back to the basics'. Due to our low fire occurrences we sometimes become complacent with our skills. Obviously the lesser amount of fire incidents our community experiences the better we all are, however with fewer incidents our skills become dull. This is one of the reasons we have decided to focus much of our training back to basic skills. It is a continuous balancing act to introduce new ideas and training topics along with sharpening basic skills.

Our department's average age is forty-one (41) with an average of eleven (11) years of service and ages ranging from eighteen (18) to sixty-two (62) years old. Currently we have twenty-nine (29) personnel, ranging from one (1) year to twenty-six (26) years of service. We are struggling to meet the emergency response needs of our community. As of November 1, 2009 we had thirteen (13) emergency incidents, mostly medical emergencies, which resulted in no response from Ashland Fire-Rescue. **This is a severe community problem which will only result in disaster. It's just a matter of when, not if.**

At one of our meetings the officer's and I conducted a brain-storming session. The purpose of this session was to identify all aspects of the department that needed improvement or needed to be established. This resulted in identifying a seventy-one

(71) item 'to do list'. After the list was created I identified three areas for each item (1) problem (2) rationale and (3) completion. One of our goals in creating this list was to chart what exactly the department's needs are presently and in the future. This list is focused on operational, facility and procedural items only. It does not address response capabilities and/or availability.

In my opinion it is time the Town of Ashland hires a full-time employee (Captain, Chief, etc) to help meet the daily demands of our community, manage the department and prepare for the future. There are several reasons why I support this position and they include all aspects of the department. The voters have denied our request in the previous four (4) attempts; however the work load and requirements do not disappear due to a negative vote.

There are those that believe that Ben Franklin's old saying that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" is passé. I would strongly disagree and certainly believe this quote can relate directly to our situation. As our country's first Fire Chief Ben Franklin made that statement when asked "what's the best way to fight fire?" His perspective reflected in that statement, its resonance with our cultural and societal views, and its applicability to the other fields, were all reasons for that statement to have survived the passage of time, and to have such a direct relevance even now.

I believe time is over due for Ashland to practice "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure".

ASHLAND LAND USE BOARDS

Submitted by Ashland Planning and Zoning Boards

The Ashland Planning Board was established in 1950. In March 1988 the voters adopted RSA 673:6 which established the composition of the board to be seven full voting members [one Board of Selectmen representative and six appointed members] and [appointed] three alternate members. The members currently sitting on the Board are Michael Evleth, Robert Boyle, Gordon McCormack Jr., Paul Branscombe, Selectman Sandra Coleman, and Alternate Anthony Randall.

The Board of Selectmen has agreed to place an article on the 2010 warrant to reduce the membership from seven to five full voting members.

The major project for the Planning Board is the updating of the Town of Ashland Master Plan. The Board of Selectmen encumbered funds to be payable to the Lakes Region Planning Commission who will be assisting the Board in this process. The process will need additional funds in order to complete this major task. Members of the community will also be asked to participate in this endeavor. Master Plans are defined in state law (RSA 674:2) as both a reference and policy document for communities.

In addition, the Board is in charge of hearing proposals for subdivision, site plan, and boundary line adjustment. If the proposal falls outside the guidelines as defined in the Town of Ashland Zoning Ordinance, the project is referred to the Zoning Board of Adjustment in order to seek a variance or special exception.

This year the Board acted on the following cases:

- ❖ 2009-01 Ray-Payne Map 010-014-01 Granted Subdivision and Boundary Line Adjustment
- ❖ 2009-02 Boyce/Fraize Map 006-002-002,004,00 Granted Subdivision and Boundary Line Adj
- ❖ 2009-03 Tri County CAP Map 016-003-020-001 Approved Site Plan
- ❖ 2009-04 Belletete's Map 004-002-008,009,010 Approved Site Plan

The Zoning Board hears cases that fall outside the Zoning Ordinance need variances or special exceptions. The membership is made up of Elaine Allard, Don Latulippe, Michelle Fistek, Robert Boyle, and alternate Patricia Tucker.

This year the Board acted on the following cases:

- ❖ 2009-01 Carbone Map 003-001-001 Granted Variance Relaxation of setbacks
- ❖ 2009-02 Belletete Map 004-002-008,009,010 Granted Special Exception [Commercial Building in Residential Zone]
- ❖ 2009-03 Swanson Map 011-003-028 Granted Variance – relaxation of setbacks
- ❖ 2009-04 Moriarity Map 016-004-001 Denied Variance – relaxation of setbacks
- ❖ 2009-05 Roy Map 017-002-008 Granted Variance – relaxation of setbacks

ASHLAND WELFARE DEPARTMENT (EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE)

Submitted by Robert Hicks

Town welfare dollars for 2009 has trended upward. Due mainly as a direct result of a slowing economy, area employment is scarce and the certification process used to approve recipients for state benefits, such as Social Security, Disability, Medicare, food stamps and others, moves slowly.

Our citizens never enjoy asking for help. Most make good efforts to re-establish their situations and reimburse the town when able.

As welfare director I see first hand the concerns of some of our citizens for basic needs. We try to help with information on housing, jobs, and directing clients to the proper agency to provide long term needs. Our community, our churches, and food pantry offer help when available. Many of our private citizens offer anonymous donations for fuel and Christmas offerings. It is a very rewarding task to work with the citizens who offer help and for those in need of assistance.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Submitted by Robert Hicks

Maintaining good, safe building practices and code compliance is what we all want for Ashland. We have a good team with Butch Smith our electrical inspector and Erik Ames our plumbing inspector, both quality men, and knowledgeable in their trade.

Applications for permits can also be obtained during regular Town Office hours, five days a week, 8 AM to 4 PM. Arrangement can be made for on site meetings. Inspections are made with a reasonable appointed time.

2009 has been an active year for Ashland Building, 154 permits have been issued since January 1st, up 20% from last year.

72	Building permits
31	Electrical
14	Plumbing & Heating
05	Driveway
02	Sign
03	Demolition

6 new houses – 1 commercial building

We use the 2009 International Building Code, Residential Building code along with our Ashland Building and Zoning Regulations.

Many other dedicated people on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and the Ashland Planning Board, provide support and help with this department.

Our goal is to provide help for Ashland's residents with their building needs by administering the regulations as fair and promptly as possible.

Good building planning helps our town provide safe housing and the right kind of new business opportunities for our community.

ASHLAND HISTORIC COMMISSION
Submitted by Robert Hicks and Claire Hicks

Ashland's historic cemeteries were cleaned and trimmed.

The Whipple House had several minor repairs, some plaster repair, and plumbing.

Our Historic private cemeteries were maintained for Memorial Day, they are reported in good condition with no physical damage to the monuments.

Complete list of Ashland's abandoned cemeteries. (All on private property)

1. The Church Hill Cemetery located on Blue Sky Drive.
2. Ruben Whitten Cemetery (Highland Street)
3. Hicks Hill Cemetery (Hicks Hill Rd.)
4. The Mooney Cemetery on Thompson St
5. Owl Brook Cemetery, Owl Brook Road.
6. Baker Cemetery (near water tower)
7. Howe-Clark Cemetery (Leavitt Hill)

ASHLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Submitted by David Ruell

The long effort initiated and supported by the Historical Society to preserve the Old Ashland Elementary School is finally coming to fruition. Tri County Community Action Program has begun the renovation of the building to house Headstart and other community service programs. The builders are at work as this is written. They hope to finish this coming spring. We are grateful to TCCAP for their perseverance in this project to save the fine old school building, a local landmark, which is one of the most historic buildings in Ashland and one of the finest Victorian school buildings in the state. Money is still needed to complete the work. Anyone who would like to "buy" a window, a pane, or a brick in their own name or to honor and remember others can find the order form in our brochures or at our website at [www. oldashlandnh.org](http://www.oldashlandnh.org).

Our own fundraising efforts were limited this year. We held the usual membership drive and annual appeal. The Dinner In A Bowl was again held on Columbus Day weekend, with food prepared by members and friends of the Society. The supply of bowls was supplemented by new bowls made by Ashland School students.

The Whipple House Museum is generally in good physical shape, although there is always painting and other maintenance to be done. This year, such work was done mostly by volunteers, who painted and papered the children's room with a Victorian style wallpaper, overhauled the restroom sink's plumbing, painted the two front dormers and began scraping the front wall of the museum shed. The Highway Department filled in a washout in the driveway. The summer exhibit on Women's Work featured old washing machines and other equipment used for the care of household and personal textiles. Christine Schilling again gave the Society several items, including some furniture, which had belonged to her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. George Hoyt Whipple. These were displayed in the downstairs middle room.

There were no major changes at the Railroad Station Museum this year. The restroom toilet was repaired and the Electric Department removed a couple of dead elm trees. Railroad Station Agent Roland Garland resigned after many years of work on the station, which we much appreciate. A Railroad Station Committee was formed this year. We also welcomed hundreds of railroad travelers, including a flock of track maintenance car enthusiasts, the Flying Yankee Railfest train, ten fall foliage trains, Councilor Ray Burton's annual fall train, and the Cold Springs dinner train. Thanks to a new cooperative agreement with the state allowing these tourist trains to use the station platform, we no longer have to pay \$100 annual rent for the land under the platform.

The Pauline E. Glidden Toy Museum changed its schedule to be open on Thursday and Friday afternoons in the summer. The Toy Museum held an Appraisal Day (with a food sale) in July and the Young Ladies Tea in August. The Museum accepted a generous gift of antique toys and children's books from Leigh Polish of Pembroke.

Our outside exhibits use photographs that are enlarged, laminated and captioned by our volunteers. We mounted three exhibits at the Utility Office, two with historic photographs of

the Paper Mill and of downtown business and office interiors. The third used new photographs of the stained glass windows in our four churches. Historic Main Street photographs were shown at Christmas Night in Ashland. More photos have been added to the Society website.

We sponsored four programs this year, all free to the public. Two programs, on the history of New England food and on American quilt traditions, complemented the Women's Work exhibit at the Whipple House. Bill Veillette, Director of the N.H. Historical Society, spoke on the history of history in New Hampshire. A slide program on the stained glass windows of Ashland was followed by a tour of our four churches to view their windows.

Our archives collection continues to grow, both by gift, such as the 1907-08 teacher's plan book donated by the Westford, Mass. Historical Society, and by acquisition, such as copies of more Ashland news items from the local newspapers, which now cover the years 1848 through 1916.

The fire alarm system on the covered bridge fell into disrepair, but there was not enough money in the town's default budget to fix it. The Society's Board therefore decided to use some of the Covered Bridge Fund to repair and upgrade the fire alarm system and to pay for one year of monitoring.

We want to close by thanking all who gave their time, effort and money to enable the Ashland Historical Society to continue its museums, exhibits, programs and projects this year.

ASHLAND JULY 4 COMMITTEE REPORT

Submitted by Chairman Patricia Heinz

Another very successful Fourth. We were very lucky that our celebration seemed to dodge all the rain showers. It rained all around us but not in Ashland.

I would like to thank all the behind the scenes people who make the celebration a success - the Highway Department, Chief Randall and the Police Department, Chief Brad Ober and the Fire Department for their part in the safety portion of the events and to Alex Ray and The Common Man Family for breakfast, the food booth and the 50/50 raffle.

We have a very small committee, but all very hard workers: Mary Ruell, treasurer; Jim Gleich in charge of entertainment; Caroline Gosse in charge of button sales; Nancy Cross, Anne Lamson and the fire department in charge of the parade formation; Glenn Dion who takes care of the grounds and the setup of the fireworks; Tim Cullenen who collected and counted money; Phyliss Reitsma who keeps us organized and helps wherever she is needed; new member Kathy Jaquith who helped with parking and setting up activities; Lynn Uhlman who keeps the streets clean; and the many button and t-shirt salesman.

The Grand Marshall's were all fire, police and emergency personnel. We are very grateful to them for keeping our town safe.

The 2010 fireworks have been purchased and the dates have been set – all events will take place on Saturday July 3.

ASHLAND JULY 4 COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2009

Balance on hand, January 1, 2009		22,335.37
Interest for year		<u>8.53</u>
		22,343.90
Income		
Donations		
Businesses	2,285.00	
Organizations	450.00	
Field Collection	2,546.55	
Off Site Collections	1,645.39	
Button Collections	461.29	
Tee Shirt Sales	812.00	
Pancake Breakfast	3,564.00	
Barbecue & Food Booth	1,883.00	
Raffle	790.20	
Vendors	2,700.00	
Total Earned		<u>17,137.43</u>
Total Available		39,481.33
Expenditures		
Fireworks (Atlas Pyro Vision)	9,500.00	
Parade (4 units)	2,000.00	
Awards (Hasty Awards)	161.23	
Entertainment (3 musical units)	975.00	
Advertising (Pennysaver, Salmon Press)	112.00	
Toilets (Maple Ridge Septic Service)	1,040.00	
Buttons (Venture Print)	450.00	
Tee Shirts (Lori Ford)	1,450.00	
Food Costs (Great American Dining)	1,500.00	
Postage (Postmaster, Ashland)	53.20	
Checks (Deluxe Check)	9.00	
Total Spent		17,250.43
Balance in Meredith Village Savings Bank, December 31, 2009		22,230.90

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Submitted by Renee Liebert, Mark Schultz, John Lennon, Stacy Luke, Terry Myshrrall

2009 was a busy year for the Conservation Commission. We began with a clean-up day in the spring and we cleaned trash from the Ashland Town Beach. We are planning to make a Town Clean-up day an annual event. The clean-up day was held in conjunction with Litter-Free New Hampshire and as an incentive we received 800 daffodil bulbs. With some assistance from the Ashland Garden Club we sold some of the bulbs and were able to raise \$166.00 for the conservation fund. We donated the remainder of the bulbs to the Ashland Garden Club and the Ashland Elementary School.

In another fund-raiser, we sold composters and rain barrels. We were able to raise \$91 through sales.

The Conservation Commission had a booth at the Squam Arts Festival. We had on display a map of Ashland showing the natural resources within our Town. We would like to thank everyone who stopped by our booth and marked wildlife sightings on the map. The information we gathered will be used to assist us in developing the Town's Natural Resources Inventory. We also raised \$51 through donations and our bake sale.

Both Sanborn Road and a portion of Owl Brook Road were designated as scenic roads by the Town Meeting in the 1980's. This year, the Conservation Commission placed "Scenic Road" signs on these roads.

Through the Adopt-A-Highway program, we adopted approximately 2.2 miles of Route 3 to the Bridgewater Town Line. We will be holding our first clean-up in the spring after we have received our safety training from the State.

In the fall, Amy Smagula from the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services mapped the milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant, in the Squam River and Mill Pond. She has made recommendations to the Commission regarding controlling the milfoil and we are in the process of obtaining a grant from the State of New Hampshire for milfoil control in the Squam River.

Projects that we will continue to work on in 2010 include: expanding the Town's natural resources inventory; researching possible locations for a community garden; setting up a farmer's market in the summer; and researching land conservation opportunities within the Town.

We are always interested in hearing from the citizens of Ashland. We want to know what is important to you when it comes to conservation. Please feel free to email us at conservation@ashland.nh.gov, or please come to one of our meetings. We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the Ashland Town Hall. We hope to see you there!



2009
BIRTHS
MARRIAGES
DEATHS

		BIRTHS 2009			
BIRTHS	CHILDS NAME	FATHER	MOTHER	BIRTHPLACE	
1/16/2009	COHEN LUCAS HIBBARD	JASON HIBBARD	JILL HIBBARD	CONCORD, NH	
4/10/2009	JOSIAH ROBERT PERKINS	JACOB PERKINS	ANNA MACDONALD	PLYMOUTH, NH	
4/16/2009	AIDEN WYATT NORTON	DEVIN NORTON	ASHLEY FISHER	PLYMOUTH, NH	
4/17/2009	TANNER RICHARD WADDINGTON	PETER WADDINGTON	JODI BREEN-WADDINSTON	PLYMOUTH, NH	
5/12/2009	EVAN ROBERT O'LEARY	SEAN O'LEARY	KARA O'LEARY	PLYMOUTH, NH	
7/1/2009	DAISY LOUISE MCNALLY	WILLIAM MCNALLY	ANGELA MANZI	PLYMOUTH, NH	
8/4/2009	HAILEY ALEXIS HAHN	CHRISTOPHER HAHN	AMANDA MCINTOSH	PLYMOUTH, NH	
8/19/2009	ABIGAIL KAYLEN ELDER	RUSSELL ELDER	KRYSTAL ELDER	LEBANON, NH	
8/23/2009	MATTHEW JACOB LATUCH	KELLY LATUCH	SARA PURCELL	PLYMOUTH, NH	
9/15/2009	ALEXIS ELIZABETH DUQUET	NICHOLAS DUQUET	AMANDA DUQUET	PLYMOUTH, NH	
9/23/2009	KAILI ANN SACK-BOYNTON	IAN BOYNTON	SARAH SACK	PLYMOUTH, NH	
10/3/2009	HARLEY-ANNE CHARLOTTE WHITE	CHRISTOPHER WHITE	ELIZABETH WHITE	LACONIA, NH	
10/17/2009	ALYSSA DEVON FAY	TODD FAY	KRISTALEE LANDRY	LACONIA, NH	
12/1/2009	JOSHUA CLINTON AVERY	ERIC AVERY	NATAZCHE AVERY	CONCORD, NH	
MARRIAGES 2009					
DATE	GROOM	BRIDE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE		
3/21/2009	HAROLD S. LAMOS	JACINTHE F. DEMERS	MEREDITH		
4/4/2009	TIMOTHY P. JOUBERT	HEATHER M. WHITE	SANBORNTON		
5/23/2009	RICHARD L. HARDY	CRYSTAL A. GORMAN	NEW CASTLE		
6/6/2009	JOHN C. STOCKTON	HEIDI SIMMONS	LINCOLN		
6/20/2009	SCOTT A. KENNESON	CHERI A. LEROUX	RYE BEACH		
6/27/2009	MARK J. VALLIERES	JENNIFER A. CRONIN	CAMPTON		
7/4/2009	ROBERT E. HOWLAND	PATRICIA A. CARON	ASHLAND		
7/11/2009	RAYMOND J. DOW	SARA J. DUNCAN	CAMPTON		
7/29/2009	BRANDON S. HARRIS	MEGHAN E. MORRISON	PLYMOUTH		
8/15/2009	CRAIG A CORROW	JESSICA N GANZEL	LINCOLN		
8/29/2009	JOSEPH E MCPHAIL	MARIKA L HUGHES	SANBORNTON		
9/12/2009	MATTHEW A EMMONS	HEIDI G WHEELER	HOLDERNESS		
9/12/2009	TYLER J DENIS	MEGAN A ABJORNSON	LACONIA		
9/19/2009	NATHAN B WEEKS	RACHEL QUINN	PLYMOUTH		
9/19/2009	DAVID A BURROWS	KATE L RANDALL	RYE BEACH		
10/2/2009	ERIC S JOHNSON	STEPHANIE A MUZZEY	DOVER		
10/3/2009	GREGORY T SARGENT	TIFFANY L COURTEMANCHE	WINDHAM		
10/3/2009	JEFFREY E BRODE	SAMANTHA R HOFF	CROYDOON		
10/24/2009	GERALD M BERTHELETTE	MEGHAN E POWER	HOLDERNESS		
11/18/2009	DENNIS M POTTER	LENKA STREBLOVA	ASHLAND		
DEATHS 2009					
DATE	NAME	FATHER	MOTHER	PLACE	
2/10/2009	LEO SHEA	WILLIAM SHEA	CATHERINE CUDMORE	ASHLAND	
4/4/2009	THOMAS KAMERON	THOMAS KAMERON	KATHRYN RENNICK	ASHLAND	
4/5/2009	ELIZABETH WEDEN	IRVING BROWN	JENNESS MITCHELL	LACONIA	
4/16/2009	BRIAN SMITH	KENT SMITH	BEVERLY MOULTON	DOVER	
4/18/2009	DOROTHY DUPUIS	GEOFFERY ELLIOTT	MADELINE HINDLE	LEBANON	
4/28/2009	MICHAEL AGNELLI	ANDREW AGNELLI	GRACE SBARBARO	ASHLAND	
7/11/2009	FRANCIS BURR	JAMES BURR	LILLIAN LEWIS	PLYMOUTH	
7/15/2009	REGINA EVANS	CLYDE WOODBURY	VERTIE SHOREY	LEBANON	
7/22/2009	RENE LATULIPPE JR.	RENE LATULIPPE SR.	ADRIENNE VEILLEUX	ASHLAND	
8/15/2009	KAREN PETTITT	DOUGLAS ROBERTSON SR	PHYLISS PEARSON	CONCORD	
10/28/2009	EDWARD DUPUIS	JOSEPH DUPUIS	CARRIE COOK	PLYMOUTH	
11/23/2009	RICHARD DUCLOS	ROMEO DUCLOS	MARY RYAN	ASHLAND	
12/20/2009	JOHN HUGHES JR.	JOHN HUGHES SR.	BARBARA ASHLEY	PLYMOUTH	
12/28/2009	STEVEN SAMSON	MAURICE SAMSON	GERALDINE SAMSON	PLYMOUTH	



OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice/Aquatic & Wellness Center

2009 Annual Report

Mission Statement: At Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice our Mission is to provide quality home care, wellness programs, aqua therapy and hospice services.

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice/Wellness & Aquatic Center has been providing health care services for forty-two years, working collaboratively to meet the healthcare needs of the community. The organization offers a full continuum of high quality healthcare and wellness within its financial resources to optimize health for all, through Wellness, Outpatient Rehab, Homecare, and Hospice programs.

Services that we provide to the people and families in the town of Ashland are a safety net and this is a time they are needed the most. They include:

Hospice - *A philosophy of care that accepts death as the final stage of life with the goal of enabling patients to manage symptoms so that their last days may be spent with dignity and quality, surrounded by their loved ones. It is the care of the whole person and focuses on the quality rather than length of life.*

Homecare - *There is no place like home and most people want to stay at home as they age or recover from an illness, injury, or surgery. People want choice and control over their everyday decisions and healthcare decisions are no exception. Includes: Geriatric, Newborn Nursing Assessment, Obstetric/Pediatric Nursing, Homemaker Services, and Intravenous Infusion.*

Community Outreach Programs - *Clinics for immunization, blood pressure monitoring, foot care and health education programs, home safety assessments, and wellness program.*

Outpatient Therapy -

- ◆ **Physical Therapy** (*therapeutic exercise, aquatic therapy, manual therapy techniques, therapeutic activities, gait training, massage, neuromuscular re-education, ultrasound, iontophoresis, electrical stimulation & wheelchair management*)
- ◆ **Wellness Programs** – *Investment in wellness is an investment in health and wellbeing. Promotion of wellness optimizes health, productivity and a sense of wellbeing.*

INITIATIVES in 2009 include:

- ★ Bereavement Program to provide support for families who have lost a loved one
- ★ Hospice Volunteer Training over a six week period with ten participants.
 - Hospice Volunteers provided many hours of service to patients and their families
- ★ Hosted flu clinics in October for community residents.
- ★ Held the Annual Hospice Memorial service on September 13, 2009 at the Church of The Holy Spirit in Plymouth.
- ★ Free Clinics at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center for community members
 - Foot Clinics to groom toenails and recommendations to physicians if necessary.
 - BP Clinics
- ★ Wellness Promotion
 - Women's Wellness Day on May 9, 2009
 - Collaborated with PSU, Mid-State Health, Speare Memorial Hospital, and Sound Advice to offer a Wellness Fair for the Community October 24, 2009

We appreciate and thank you for your ongoing loyal support of our services and our staff.

Respectfully Submitted,



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*Executive Councilor
District One*

Report to the People of District One By: Executive Councilor Ray Burton

2009 was indeed the year of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)/Stimulus Funds in New Hampshire!

As of November 4, 2009, \$579,305,870.00 had been allocated in New Hampshire in nine areas: business/community; education; employment; energy; health; housing; safety; technology and transportation. Of that \$181,463,876.00 went to Council District One towns and cities and the counties of Belknap, Carroll, Coos, Grafton and Sullivan.

The ARRA money has enabled local, state and county government to work on projects that have been in process and planning for years. For a complete listing of these projects go to: www.ed.state.nh.us/education/recovery/index.htm or write to my office.

Governor Lynch has now submitted the New Hampshire Transportation Plan to the New Hampshire House and Senate. Highways/bridges, rail, aviation and public projects are among the proposed recommendations. Contact your local State Senator and Legislator for details about what projects you believe to be key ones for your region.

As Councilor, I do not see new revenues being raised in New Hampshire State Government. With the decline in existing revenues leading to cut backs in services, only time will determine what the law making branch has in mind for new dollars. Keep in close touch with your local State Senator and Legislator to make sure costs are NOT passed on to county and local government.

The Governor and Council are required by law to fill dozens of boards and commissions with volunteers. If you are interested in serving, please send a letter of interest and your resume to Governor John Lynch, Attention: Jennifer Kuzma, Appointment Liaison, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 For the current list of what possible appointments might be coming up go to: <http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm>.

There is a constant flow of informational items available at my office: tourist maps, consumer handbooks and the New Hampshire Constitution. Each Monday I send, via e-mail, the schedule of my weekly meetings and other information. Send me your e-mail to be added to the list at rburton@nh.gov or find the schedule on my State House web page at: <http://www.nh.gov/council/district1/schedules>.

Contact my office anytime I can be of help.



Towns in Council District #1

CARROLL COUNTY:

Albany, Bartlett,
Chatham, Conway, Eaton,
Effingham, Freedom, Hart's Loc.,
Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough,
Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth,
Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Wolfeboro,

GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath,
Benton, Bethlehem, Bridgewater,
Bristol, Campton, Canaan,
Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth,
Enfield, Franconia, Grafton,
Groton, Hanover, Haverhill,
Hebron, Holderness, Landaff,
Lebanon, Lincoln, Lisbon,
Livermore, Littleton, Lyman,
Lyme, Monroe, Orange, Orford,
Piermont, Plymouth, Rumney,
Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren,
Waterville Valley, Wentworth,
Woodstock

COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clarksville,
Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton,
Dixville, Dummer, Errol,
Canaan, Jefferson, Lancaster

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

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FOR TOWN ANNUAL REPORTS LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION 2009

The Lakes Region continues to grow and evolve. As our economy and world change, so does the work we are engaged in. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization established according to state law to provide area communities and the region with the capacity to respond to and shape the pressures of change in a purposeful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers direct and support services including technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazard planning and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and leadership to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Some of the services provided on behalf of the town of Ashland and the region in the past fiscal year are noted below:

LOCAL

- Responded to a request for information about planning board membership, and the process to appeal a ZBA decision.
- Provided information to local officials about GIS mapping services.
- Attended a planning board meeting to discuss updating the town Master Plan.
- Attended public hearing for the planning board to discuss proposed changes to the zoning ordinance.
- Reviewed and commented on the Ashland Safe Routes to Schools proposal.
- Provided assistance for the town's emergency operations planning grant application.
- Prepared an energy presentation for the next Lakes Region Energy Alliance meeting and participated in a forest biomass webinar presented by the USDA.
- Delivered a town-approved road inventory to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT).
- Provided copies of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulations to the town at considerable savings.

LAND USE

- Prepared master plans, capital improvement programs, local emergency operations plans, zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, and related services for several communities.
- Maintained circuit rider planning services for municipalities interested in assistance with development proposals.
- Organized and facilitated a discussion on the development of local impact fee methodologies at the Pines Community Center in Northfield.
- Contributed to the preparation of the award winning Innovative Land Use (ILU) Guidance resource document and ILU Mapper.

- Received funding from the Pardoe Foundation to conduct Smart Growth Audits (SGA) for selected communities.
- Organized and hosted three public Municipal Law Lectures, in cooperation with the NH Local Government Center: 1) Constitutional Issues in Land Use Regulations; 2) The Five Variance Criteria in the 21st Century; and 3) What Do You Do When They Stop Building? Vested Rights, Modified Approvals, Violations and Revocation.

TRANSPORTATION

- Conducted over 150 traffic and turning movement counts around the region.
- Attended and hosted the Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) meeting.
- Convened many meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in regional transportation planning and project development.
- Prepared a 2009 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Process Guide for distribution to our communities. Submitted regional transportation priorities for consideration by the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT).
- Completed the NH Route 28 Corridor Safety Study, and acquired best management skills using Road Surface Management Systems (RSMS) software.

PUBLIC FACILITIES GOAL:

- Modified and improved Community Facilities standard maps. Updated maps are posted to LRPC.

HOUSING

- Drafted a process to conduct a Workforce Housing Audit to help communities determine if their planning regulations and laws are in compliance with the Workforce Housing law.
- Contributed to statewide sessions and participated on housing needs assessment methods.
- Participated in workforce housing forums with the Work Here, Live Here Committee, and the Eastern Lakes Region Housing Coalition.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Continue to work with area economic development groups including Belknap County Economic Council (BCEDC), Grafton County Economic Development Council (GCEDC), Franklin Business and Industrial Development Corporation (FBDIC), and the Wentworth Economic Development Council (WEDCO).
- Completed the Lakes Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), A Plan for Sustainable Progress, and submitted it to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) for acceptance.
- Coordinated an Economics Day for Leadership Lakes Region and co-presented the Lakes Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to attendees.
- Applied for and received a three year \$400,000 Brownfields grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The funds will be used to conduct several site assessments and environmental site characterizations.
- Completed a Phase I Lakes Region Broadband Study to determine the extent and capacity of existing broadband service.
- Planned and facilitated the third Lakes Region Energy Alliance meeting. The Alliance is a consortium of local energy committees brought together to share ideas and activity.

- Completed the 2009 Development Trends Report and distributed it to all Lakes Region municipalities and many other stakeholders.

NATURAL RESOURCES

- Collaborated with other planning commissions to present water resources ordinances for the Regional Environmental Planning Program (REPP) at the Fall Planning Conference.
- Received a Source Water Protection Grant contract from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to work with the Green Mountain Conservation Group (GMCG) and several municipalities on behalf of ground water protection in the Ossipee aquifer.
- Received a notice of award from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for additional Winnepesaukee watershed planning. Continue to work with several partners on the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Management Plan (LWWMP).
- Continue to represent the region at meetings of the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility to explore the ways and means the facility may encourage other communities to participate.
- Received support through the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) and the federal American Recovery and Revitalization Act (ARRA) to continue work on the Pemigewasset Watershed Co-occurrence Model.
- Continue to organize and coordinate two annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections a year, involving 23 member communities.

UTILITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE GOAL:

- Presented the lakesrpc.org/energy website to partner groups, municipalities, and agencies throughout the state, as part of the Lakes Region Energy Alliance.

NATURAL HAZARDS

- Completed several Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) updates, and Local Emergency Operations Plans (LEOPs).

REGIONAL CONCERNS

- Convened six Commission meetings that featured a range of topics, ranging from the NH Rail Transit Authority, proposed legislation, Transportation Plans/Projects, NH Water Resources Primer and Survey, and a public hearing on the roles communities should have in regulating large ground water withdrawals.
- Met with the Legislative Policy Committee of the NH Association of Regional Planning Commission (NHARPC) to review and make recommendations on over 70 bills and legislative requests.
- Conducted outreach and provided assistance at the Geographic Information System (GIS) workshops offered in Laconia. Attended 2010 Census training.
- Met with PlusTimeNH staff to discuss the possibilities for learning opportunities for high school students in the region.
- Maintain and host LRPC's website, www.lakesrpc.org, for current regional planning activities and events.

2009 REPORT
PEMIGEWASSET RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Max Stamp, PRLAC Chair
12/21/09

PRLAC's 2009 water quality monitoring program was completed in September. No serious problems were detected over the five plus months of the program. We now have seven years of solid data on multiple locations from Thornton to Bristol, providing good perspective on the overall health of the river. This information base should provide an early warning should some key elements of overall water quality start to deteriorate. The revisions to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act RSA 483B, introduced 7-1-08, represents a major assist to our ongoing effort to protect Pemi water quality. The greatest threat to the quality of the water in the river is surface water runoff. The more impervious surface (buildings, roads, lawns, parking areas) the greater the threat of polluted runoff. The thrust of the law, filtering runoff pollution through vegetated buffers, protects not only the river, but aquifers and water supply lands all along the corridor. PRLAC is asked to assess the impact and comment on shoreland development applications to the state.

In addition to our water quality testing activity, PRLAC sponsored public meetings on the following state initiatives:

- Drinking Water Resources Management (Primer), which identified several challenges looking ahead, to both the quantity and quality of our drinking water resources.
- Aquatic Resources Mitigation (ARM) program which has accumulated \$145,000 to date for use in the Pemi River watershed. The money must be used for prime wetlands restoration or protection of important water supply lands and will become available in April, 2010.

These meetings were presented by subject experts. Attendees included municipal officials, political representatives, and interested members of corridor communities.

Emphasis in 2010 will be on a)encouraging corridor communities to submit proposals to use the available ARM funds, b)educate communities on proposed new state stream crossing rules, c)update PRLAC Management Plan, d)determine what help is available to control milfoil.

We have representatives from most of the towns from Thornton to Bristol. We meet the last Tuesday of most months on the campus of PSU. Call Max Stamp, 744-8223 for details if you are interested in attending.

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Robert Berti, Chairman
Harvey Paquin, Vice-Chairman
Tim Kingston, Treasurer

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Waterville Valley, NH 03215
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In 2009 the District continued its efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and decrease the toxicity of our waste stream. The District met five times during the year and wide array of subject matter was discussed and disseminated. Items of significant interest this past year included recycling markets, new storm water permitting regulations, the NCES landfill in Bethlehem, and the household hazardous waste program.

Since bottoming out in late 2008 and early 2009, the markets for recyclables have vastly improved and are at or very near historical averages. When selling your recyclable materials, members are strongly encouraged to call multiple brokers as prices can vary between brokers. Even small differences can add up to significant dollars over the course of a year. Brokers also can offer a wide array of collection options (single-stream, co-mingled, split loads, etc) to best suit your recycling facility. What works for one town may not work for another, but no matter the circumstances, there are many possibilities for member towns to incorporate to decrease waste and increase recycling efforts. The District is fortunate to have some of the best municipal recycling programs in the State as part of its member base, as well as having a knowledgeable and innovative group of facility operators and committee representatives available for support and assistance. If your town has questions, issues, or concerns you would like to address, please be sure to use the resources you have available. Towns should keep in mind that New Hampshire the Beautiful offers grants to NH communities to help with the purchase of recycling equipment. Grants may total up to one-half of the purchase price of such things as balers, roll-off containers, collections bins, or other equipment that will assist a town in achieving a higher diversion rate. More information on the grant program is available at www.nhthebeautiful.org.

The District's household hazardous waste program once again allowed residents the opportunity to properly dispose of their unwanted or outdated hazardous household products. Over 200 residents came to one or more of the three collection events held this past summer. A number of recycling centers were also able to dispose of the household hazardous waste that they had accumulated in the past year. The net expenditure for the 2009 program was \$17,500. This was a reduction of nearly \$9,500 from the 2008 program. The District plans to hold two collection events in 2010. They will be held in Littleton and Plymouth. Dates have not yet been set but tentative plans are to hold the collections in August and September. Check with your recycling center later in the year for the exact dates.

As always, citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District's meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers.

Respectively Submitted,
Robert Berti, Chairman
Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District

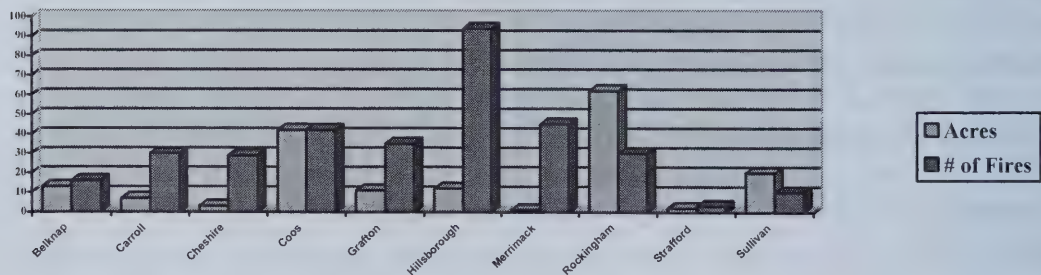
Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

Spring fire season was unusually short this past year, with wet weather beginning the third week in April and lasting virtually all summer long. Consequently both the number of fires and the number of acres burned were below the last five year average. Due to state budget constraints, the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers was limited to class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookout towers are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented this year by contracted aircraft and the Civil Air Patrol when fire danger was especially high. Surprisingly the largest single fire this year occurred in late November during an unusual dry spell, in the northern Coos County town of Clarksville. This fire burned 17.1 acres and is presumed to have been caused by a careless hunter. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2009 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

(All fires reported as of December 3, 2009)
(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	13	16
Carroll	7	30
Cheshire	3	29
Coos	42	42
Grafton	11	35
Hillsborough	12	94
Merrimack	1	45
Rockingham	62	30
Strafford	2	3
Sullivan	20	10



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total Fires	Total Acres	
Arson	4	2009	334	173
Debris	184	2008	455	175
Campfire	18	2007	437	212
Children	12	2006	500	473
Smoking	15	2005	546	174
Railroad	5			
Equipment	5			
Lightning	0			
Misc.*	91	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		



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TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS 2009

TOWN PORTION			
TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	\$	6,615,728.00	
LESS REVENUES	\$	(4,994,726.00)	
LESS SHARED REVENUES	\$	-	
ADD OVERLAY	\$	57,571.00	
ADD WAR SERVICE CREDITS	\$	29,900.00	
NET TOWN APPROPRIATIONS		\$ 1,708,473.00	
APPROVED TOWN TAX EFFORT			\$ 1,708,473.00
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE			\$ 6.53
SCHOOL PORTION			
NET SCHOOL BUDGET	\$	2,297,385.00	
REGIONAL SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT	\$	1,139,345.00	
LESS ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT	\$	(747,470.00)	
LESS STATE EDUCATION TAXES	\$	(513,829.00)	
APPROVED SCHOOL TAX EFFORT			\$ 2,175,431.00
LOCAL EDUCATION TAX RATE			\$ 8.31
STATE EDUCATION TAXES			
EQUALIZATION VALUATION (NO UTILITIES)	\$	2.14	
X \$240,669,377			\$ 513,829.00
STATE SCHOOL TAX RATE			\$ 2.00
COUNTY PORTION			
DUE TO COUNTY	\$	331,016.00	
LESS SHARED REVENUES	\$	-	
APPROVED COUNTY TAX EFFORT			\$ 331,016.00
COUNTY TAX RATE			\$ 1.26
TOTAL TAX RATE			\$ 18.10
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED	\$	4,728,749.00	
LESS WAR SERVICES CREDITS	\$	(29,900.00)	
ADD VILLAGE DISTRICT COMMITMENT	\$	-	
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT	\$	4,698,849.00	
PROOF OF RATE			
NET ASSESSED VALUATION		RATE	ASSESSMENT
STATE EDUCATION TAX (NO UTILITIES)	\$ 256,524,511.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 513,829.00
ALL OTHER TAXES	\$ 261,844,761.00	\$ 16.10	\$ 4,214,920.00
			\$ 4,728,749.00

Signed by Barbara Robinson, Department of Revenue
3-Nov-09

GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNTS

	DUE DATE	PRINCIPAL YEAR 2009	INTEREST YEAR 2009	PRINCIPAL BALANCE
\$235,631 Water System Bond ** Due Annually @3.99% Payable to Northway Final Payment 9/10/2027	10-Sep	\$ 6,042.00	\$ 3,917.00	\$ 229,589.00
\$1,188,561 Water Project ** Interest @ 3.99% Payable to Northway Final Payment 7/18/2026	16-Jul	\$ 32,123.00	\$ 12,646.00	\$ 1,156,438.00
\$448,000 - 1967 Water Bonds Interest varies @5.4% - 8.25% Payable to NH Municipal Bond Final Payment 7/15/2012	15-Jul 15-Jan	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 3,093.75 \$ 2,475.00	\$ 60,000.00
\$1,384,005.00 River St Improvement R1 /R2 Interest @ 4.5% Payable to USDA - Rural Development Final payment 2030	10-Jan	\$ 31,399.00	\$ 54,992.00	\$ 1,250,391.00
\$400,000 Highway Project Bond Interest @ 3% Payable to Woodsville Savings Bank Final Payment 2013	1-Apr	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 7,220.00	\$ 200,000.00
\$438,699.00 Fire Department Ladder Truck All American Investment Final Payment 2014	1-Jul	\$ 44,386.00	\$ 15,866.00	\$ 311,148.00
** Refinanced				

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

VALUE OF LAND ONLY

CURRENT USE	\$	308,244.00
CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	\$	-
RESIDENTIAL	\$	78,734,550.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	\$	13,275,050.00
TOTAL TAXABLE LAND	\$	92,317,844.00

VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY

RESIDENTIAL	\$	131,564,500.00
MANUFACTURED HOUSING	\$	3,141,600.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	\$	30,383,900.00
TOTAL TAXABLE BUILDINGS	\$	165,090,000.00

PUBLIC UTILITIES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY	\$	5,019,900.00
SQUAM RIVER POWER LLC	\$	173,900.00
FRENCH RIVER LAND CO	\$	126,450.00
TOTAL UTILITIES	\$	5,320,250.00

VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS

BLIND EXEMPTIONS	\$	60,000.00
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS	\$	823,333.00

TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$	883,333.00
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NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY
AND LOCAL TAX IS COMPUTED \$ 261,844,761.00

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX
IS COMPUTED \$ 256,524,511.00

*INFORMATION IS TAKEN FROM THE DRA MS 1 FORM
(2009 SUMMARY VALUATION OF INVENTORY)*

INVENTORY OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

2009

MAP/LOT	DESCRIPTION	ACRES	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE	BOOK	PAGE	DATE
003-002-004	96 COLLINS STREET (LANDFILL)	28.4	\$ 195,700.00	\$ 70,700.00	1142	551	6/9/1971
003-003-001	NEW HAMPTON TOWN LINE	3.4	\$ 9,950.00				
003-003-002	137 COLLINS STREET (WWTF)	108	\$ 285,050.00	\$ 8,755,200.00		222	4/22/1955
004-001-003	72 CEDAR LANE (PUMP STATION)	36.34	\$ 180,100.00	\$ 25,500.00	2191	54	4/15/1996
004-002-015	JCT HILLSIDE AVE/MAIN STREET	0.44	\$ 73,200.00				
004-004-001	99 MAIN STREET (BALL FIELD / BOOSTER CLUB)	7	\$ 226,900.00	\$ 197,600.00			
	DEED - SULLIVAN				562	119	
	DEED - SPAULDING				826	71	11/1/1952
	DEED - KILPATRICK				969	156	4/30/1962
	DEED - BROWN				770	328	
	DEED - KNAPP				1087	510	1/8/1969
011-003-008	ROUTE 3 (SCENIC VIEW ROAD) / OWL BROOK RD	0.05	\$ 9,750.00		2394	653	5/24/1999
011-003-010	ROUTE 3 (SCENIC VIEW ROAD) / OWL BROOK RD	0.04	\$ 7,850.00		2394	651	5/24/1999
011-006-004	LEAVITT HILL ROAD (EDWARD DOGGETT BEACH)	1.5	\$ 378,700.00	\$ 4,800.00	863	431	5/18/1955
012-005-003	LEAVITT HILL ROAD (E. DOGGETT CAMPGROUND)	5.2	\$ 274,950.00	\$ 92,800.00			
014-001-001-002	HYDRO DAM ON STATE LAND			\$ 179,500.00			
014-001-020	RIVER STREET (BOAT LAUNCH)	0.15	\$ 81,750.00				
015-001-001-A	RIVER STREET/CROSS ROAD		\$ 175,400.00				
015-001-020	RIVER STREET / CROSS ROAD	1.1	\$ 5,850.00		549	503	
015-002-019	RIVER STREET	1.4	\$ 36,600.00		471	126	
015-002-020	RIVER STREET	0.04	\$ 1,900.00		1109	519	3/3/1970
015-002-021	RIVER STREET	1.3	\$ 27,200.00		2394	652	5/24/1999
016-002-001	HIGHLAND AND MAIN STREET	0.046	\$ 5,050.00				
016-003-020	EDUCATION WAY (ASHLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS)	26	\$ 338,000.00	\$ 4,233,600.00			
016-007-001	20 HIGHLAND STREET (ASHLAND TOWN HALL)	0.61	\$ 159,450.00	\$ 395,900.00	1167	405	7/3/1972
016-009-004	RIVERSIDE DRIVE	0.06	\$ 15,100.00		2155	649	8/24/1995
					2155	653	8/24/1995
016-009-009	MAIN STREET/RIVERSIDE DRIVE (MEMORIAL PARK)	0.94	\$ 173,600.00	\$ 1,700.00			
	DEED - MARINE LAND				1099	430	8/25/1969
	DEED - SIRLES LAND				1099	425	9/26/1969
	DEED - HAVLOCK LAND				1029	500	
017-001	MAIN STREET / DEPOT STREET	0.07					
017-006-009	12 PLEASANT STREET (WHIPPLE HOUSE)	0.93	\$ 86,700.00	\$ 234,600.00	1120	106	7/21/1970
017-007-001	41 MAIN STREET (SCRIBNER LIBRARY)	0.4	\$ 142,900.00	\$ 195,100.00	SCRIBNER WILL JAN 1935		
017-007-011	33 MAIN STREET	0.11	\$ 101,600.00	\$ 21,500.00			
017-007-012	MAIN STREET (LEGION BUILDING LAND)	0.75	\$ 168,600.00	\$ 13,900.00	712	169	
017-008-001	MAIN AND MECHANIC STREET (PARKING LOT)	0.31	\$ 100,200.00	\$ 10,100.00	661	84	
017-009-001	9 MAIN STREET (ASHLAND FIRE STATION)	0.59	\$ 158,300.00	\$ 577,200.00			
017-011-002	DEPOT STREET	0.02	\$ 1,050.00				
017-013-008	WASHINGTON STREET	0.402	\$ 71,450.00		2394	650	5/24/1999
018-001-001	6 COLLINS STREET (UTILITY/TOWN GARAGE)	3.5	\$ 216,950.00	\$ 428,800.00	1359	656	
018-004-020	99 WINONA ROAD	2.5	\$ 65,800.00	\$ 114,300.00	3470	882	11/29/2007
018-004-001	HAROLD AVERY ROAD	0.55	\$ 33,050.00		1416	659	3/5/1981
018-004-002	HAROLD AVERY ROAD	0.52	\$ 32,600.00		1416	659	3/5/1981
018-004-034	HAROLD AVERY ROAD (WATER TOWER)	1.2	\$ 89,900.00	\$ 666,400.00	1424	233	6/17/1981
025-002-005	WEST SIDE TOWN LINE - RANGE		\$ 1,350.00				
	SOURCE - DEEDS AND PREVIOUS TOWN REPORTS SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS IF FOUND						

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY 2009

		BLD VALUE	CONTENTS
EDWARD DOGGETT CAMPGROUND	284 RIVER STREET	\$ 149,910.00	\$ 14,350.00
BATH HOUSE - BEACH	284 RIVER STREET	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
BATH HOUSE - CAMPGROUND	284 RIVER STREET	\$ 20,700.00	\$ 1,000.00
99 WINONA ROAD	99 WINONA ROAD	\$ 180,100.00	\$ -
EQUIPMENT LOCK BOX/SHED	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
FIRE STATION	9 MAIN STREET	\$ 1,561,362.00	\$ 372,534.00
GATEHOUSE	19 LEAVITT HILL ROAD	\$ 1,000.00	
GAZEBO	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 3,500.00	
HISTORICAL MUSEUM	12 PLEASANT STREET	\$ 814,778.00	\$ 54,072.00
LIBRARY	41 MAIN STREET	\$ -	\$ 451,000.00
BOOSTER CLUB BUILDING	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 395,623.00	\$ 38,050.00
PARK AND REC EQUIPMENT SHED	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
PUMP STATION #1	148 RIVER STREET	\$ -	\$ 118,000.00
PUMP STATION #2	242 RIVER STREET	\$ -	\$ 118,000.00
PUMP STATION #3	RIVERSIDE DRIVE	\$ -	\$ 118,000.00
SALT SHED	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 125,653.00	\$ 50,932.00
SEWER PLANT BLOWER BUILDING	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 175,583.00	\$ 280,000.00
SEWER PLANT CHEMICAL FEED	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 32,929.00	\$ 3,500.00
SEWER PLANT CLARIFIERS	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 800,000.00	\$ -
SEWER PLANT EAST INFLUENT BUILDING	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 66,405.00	\$ 33,000.00
SEWER PLANT PUMP ROOM	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 440,000.00	\$ 40,200.00
SNACK SHACK - EDWARD DOGGETT	LEAVITT HILL ROAD	\$ 54,623.00	\$ 2,412.00
STORAGE GARAGE	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 31,104.00	\$ 6,513.00
STORAGE SHED - ELECTRIC	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 150,581.00	\$ 49,624.00
SUBSTATION	18 COLLINS STREET	\$ 47,024.00	
TOWN GARAGE	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 1,115,615.00	\$ 183,068.00
TOWN HALL	20 HIGHLAND STREET	\$ 1,844,607.00	\$ 288,456.00
TOWN SHED	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 37,744.00	\$ 16,541.00
TRANSFER STATION RECYCLING BUILDING	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 134,512.00	\$ 46,523.00
TRANSFER STATION COMPACTOR CONTROL BLD	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 18,510.00	\$ 21,697.00
TRANSFER STATION STORAGE BUILDING	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 100,807.00	\$ 37,632.00
TWO DUGOUTS	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 3,400.00	\$ -
WATER TANK	68 HAROLD AVERY ROAD	\$ 780,000.00	\$ -
WATER TREATMENT PLANT	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 210,968.00	\$ 225,000.00
WWTP ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 263,312.00	\$ 106,000.00
33 MAIN STREET	33 MAIN STREET	\$ 123,100.00	
GRINDER PUMP STATION	299 RIVER STREET	\$ 2,500.00	
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 2,500.00	
REPEATER ANTENNA	PEPPERCORN ROAD	\$ 6,000.00	
SKATING RINK PERIMETER BOARDS	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 17,387.00	
COVERED BRIDGE	RIVER STREET	\$ 290,000.00	

***SOURCE - LGC PROPERTY SCHEDULE**

TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR

Submitted by Patricia Tucker, CTCTC

The Town Clerk and Tax Collector office is the hub of activity within the town hall. We are open Monday – Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM and Thursday from 8AM to 5PM.

As a result of motor vehicle registrations being completed within this office we have generated additional revenue of \$7,698 for the general fund. Our laws and rules are dictated to us through the state, so there are times when we have to say “sorry” we can not proceed without the proper documentation.

Dog license renewals are do by April 30 – this date does not change, the tags are available as of the first of the year. Please let us know if you no longer have your dog.

Do you need a birth, death, marriage, or divorce certificate? We can do that also, there are restrictions on the years that are available through our system, just give us a call, producing these documents at this office is also additional revenue for the town.

2010 will have three elections – Town Official Ballot Voting – March 9, 2010; State Primary – September 14, 2010; and the State General Election – November 2, 2010.

Town Clerk Revenues

Motor Vehicle	\$280,939.66
Dogs - Town of Ashland	\$ 2,016.00
Dogs – Paid to State	\$ 878.00
Vital Records - Town of Ashland	\$ 840.00
Vital Records – Paid to State	\$ 2,134.00
Misc. Income	\$ 853.00

Taxes – I would like to remind our taxpayers that we accept payments of any amount throughout the year, you do not have to wait until you have the entire amount collected to pay you bill. I hope that this process will make things easier for you.

The duties of the tax collector are list in the RSA’s [laws of the State of New Hampshire].

If you have questions of any kind please call us at 968-4432 or email me at ptucker@ashland.nh.gov.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of ASHLANDYear Ending 2009**DEBITS**

UNCOLLECTED TAXES-		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
BEG. OF YEAR*			2008	2007 (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)	2006
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	371,949.20		
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx			
Land Use Change	#3120	xxxxxx			
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx			
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx			
Property Tax Credit Balance**		< >			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	4,699,140.12	19,214.05
Resident Taxes	#3180	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change	#3120	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	0.00	15,022.64
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	0.00	10.28
Utility Charges	#3189	0.00	
OTHER CHARGES			874.00

FOR DRA USE ONLY**OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS**

Property Taxes	#3110	8,116.56	5,468.47	0.00	0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change	#3120	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	#3185	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COSTS		0.00	1,484.00	0.00	0.00
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	3,843.44	14,573.82	0.00	0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 4,711,100.12	\$ 428,596.46	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of this year's taxes pre-paid last year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.

***The amount is already included in the warrant & therefore in line #3110 as positive amount for this year's levy.

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487

(603)271-3397

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of ASHLAND Year Ending 2009

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2008	2007	2006
Property Taxes	4,308,303.38	287,548.79	17,916.09	0.00
Resident Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	6,306.92	0.00	0.00
Interest (include lien conversion)	3,843.44	8,645.66	0.00	0.00
Penalties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	0.00	10.28	0.00	0.00
Utility Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Conversion to Lien (principal only)	0.00	95,738.80	0.00	0.00
OTHER CHARGES	0.00	838.00	0.00	0.00
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	1,203.91	20,792.29	-17,916.09	0.00
Resident Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	7,946.01	0.00	0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Utility Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	397,749.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resident Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	769.71	0.00	0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Utility Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance*	< 0 >	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 4711100.12	\$ 428,596.46	\$	\$

*Enter as a negative. This is the amount of taxes pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a (Be sure to include a positive amount in the Property Taxes actually remitted to the treasurer)

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of ASHLAND Year Ending 2009

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2008	2007	2006 -
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		34,919.64	11,047.59	2,955.74
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	95,738.80	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	2,894.09	3,368.51	3,881.82	1,702.78
PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENTS		-539.66	-141.00	-75.50
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 98,632.89	\$ 37,748.49	\$ 14,788.41	\$ 4,583.02

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2008	2007	2006 -
Redemptions		60,007.67	21,062.28	10,547.51	2,880.24
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	2,894.09	3,368.51	3,881.82	1,702.78
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				359.08	
Liens Deeded to Municipality		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	#1110	35,731.13	13,317.70	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 98,632.89	\$ 37,748.49	\$ 14,788.41	\$ 4,583.02

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 78:15-a)? YES

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

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE *Latina Tucker* DATE 1-29-10

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

FOR THE TAX YEAR 2009 - TOWN OF ASHLAND - GRAFTON COUNTY

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2009 BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE REMAINING
EXECUTIVE	\$ 6,168.00	\$ 5,678.89	\$ 489.11
ELECTION, REGISTRATION, VITALS	\$ 27,853.00	\$ 28,043.16	\$ (190.16)
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 245,565.00	\$ 237,876.33	\$ 7,688.67
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$ 67,140.00	\$ 32,370.00	\$ 34,770.00
LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 35,395.61	\$ (25,395.61)
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 13,753.00	\$ 5,001.89	\$ 8,751.11
BALLOT CODING	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,831.40	\$ 168.60
PLANNING AND ZONING	\$ 6,611.00	\$ 1,986.58	\$ 4,624.42
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 44,650.68	\$ (18,650.68)
CEMETERIES	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
INSURANCE	\$ 98,260.00	\$ 81,892.72	\$ 16,367.28
ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC	\$ 1,974.00	\$ 1,974.00	\$ -
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 5,350.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			\$ -
POLICE	\$ 490,245.00	\$ 461,302.68	\$ 28,942.32
POLICE DETAIL	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,747.39	\$ 3,252.61
AMBULANCE	\$ 29,750.00	\$ 29,750.48	\$ (0.48)
FIRE	\$ 167,954.00	\$ 170,625.30	\$ (2,671.30)
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$ 8,563.00	\$ 7,737.10	\$ 825.90
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ 1,315.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 1,000.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 223,021.00	\$ 212,206.27	\$ 10,814.73
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	\$ 124,053.00	\$ 127,602.39	\$ (3,549.39)
BRIDGES	\$ 400.00	\$ 435.65	\$ (35.65)
TOWN MECHANIC	\$ 70,623.00	\$ 67,741.10	\$ 2,881.90
STREET LIGHTING	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 41,530.56	\$ (1,530.56)
SANITATION			\$ -
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$ 141,783.00	\$ 135,830.53	\$ 5,952.47
HEALTH			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,453.00	\$ 2,920.58	\$ (467.58)
PEST CONTROL	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ (100.00)
WELFARE			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION / ASSISTANCE	\$ 38,065.00	\$ 55,593.01	\$ (17,528.01)
VENDOR PAYMENTS / OTHER	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ -
CULTURE AND RECREATION			\$ -
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 158,099.00	\$ 135,345.79	\$ 22,753.21
LIBRARY	\$ 46,058.00	\$ 46,058.00	\$ -
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	\$ 6,506.00	\$ 10,729.45	\$ (4,223.45)
TOWN TRUSTEES	\$ 646.00	\$ 645.96	\$ 0.04
CONSERVATION	\$ 500.00	\$ 518.00	\$ (18.00)
			\$ -
DEBT SERVICE			\$ -
PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM	\$ 210,508.00	\$ 210,507.80	\$ 0.20
INTEREST - LONG TERM	\$ 132,956.00	\$ 132,956.78	\$ (0.78)
INTEREST - TAN	\$ 500.00	\$ 7,075.63	\$ (6,575.63)
CAPITAL OUTLAY			\$ -
WARRANT ARTICLES	\$ 477,349.00	\$ 470,647.62	\$ 6,701.38
DEFAULT DISCOUNTS		\$ (260.80)	\$ 260.80
			\$ -
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 2,904,356.00	# \$ 2,823,698.53	# \$ 80,657.47
			\$ -
OUT TO ENTERPRISE FUNDS			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
MUNICIPAL SEWER FUND	\$ 305,969.00	\$ 305,969.00	\$ -
MUNICIPAL WATER FUND	\$ 195,818.00	\$ 195,818.00	\$ -
MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC FUND	\$ 3,209,584.00	\$ 3,209,584.00	\$ -
UNAUDITED			

SCRIBNER MEMORIAL TRUST

December 31, 2009

Balance as of December 31, 2008 \$ 111,584.29

Expenses	2008	2009
Maintenance	\$ 6,787.53	\$ 4,453.10
Supplies	\$ 493.28	\$ 271.59
Garbage	\$ 323.00	\$ 54.00
Insurance	\$ 737.00	\$ 715.01
FICA	\$ 258.64	\$ 76.50
Trustees	\$ 692.60	\$ -
Bookkeeper	\$ 600.27	\$ 461.75
Fuel	\$ 2,241.53	\$ 2,408.85
Misc.	\$ 935.00	\$ 240.00
TOTAL	\$ 13,068.85	\$ 8,680.80

Income	
MVSB Interest	\$ 0.57
Transferred Funds-Stock	\$ 10,342.34
Total	\$ 10,342.91

Account Balances		
MVSB	\$ 902.36	\$ 2,222.41
Inc. Fund of America - Value	\$ 56,818.96	\$ 67,496.80
Cash Balance	\$ 32.20	\$ -
Pioneer II - Value	\$ 22,128.49	\$ 24,311.40
Putnam Diversified - Value	\$ 31,702.28	\$ 42,696.58
TOTAL	\$ 111,584.29	\$ 136,727.19

Balance as of December 31, 2009 \$ 136,727.19

Submitted by
 Rick Pare
 Thomas Peters
 Elliott Dupuis
 Richard Ogden
 Dean Marcroft

Report of the Trust Fund of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire on December 31, 2009

Date of Contribution	Name and Purpose of Trust	Purpose of Trust Fund	Beginning Balance	New Funds Received	Principal (decrease) in Fair Value		Withdrawals	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income (decrease) in Fair Value	Extended	Ending Balance	Total Principal and Income	Prior Year Balance	Returns on Average Balance	Bank/Brokerage	Type of Account	Investment Account Number	Account Balance
					Fair Value	Fair Value													
Non-rependable Trusts:																			
Various	Cemetery Care Trusts:	Cemetery	7,950.00	-	-	-	7,950.00	(2,367.73)	191.35	896.87	(75.00)	(1,354.51)	6,595.49	5,582.27	3.14%	UBS	Mut Funds	CV 65555 33	6,595.49
9/18/1966	Green Grove Cemetery	Cemetery	800.00	-	-	-	800.00	1,081.23	62.79	294.35	-	1,438.37	2,238.37	1,881.23	17.34%	UBS	Mut Funds	CV 75555 33	2,238.37
2/8/1977	Chinnings & Berry Cemetery Library Trusts:	Cemetery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Pauline Packard Memorial Fund Library	Library	1,013.39	-	-	-	1,013.39	(391.46)	17.10	151.93	-	(222.43)	790.96	621.93	23.93%	American Fund was UBS	Mut Funds	5796443 CV 65553	790.96
8/7/1974	Othway Cheney Library	Library	2,109.90	-	-	-	2,109.90	(933.81)	32.34	287.30	-	(614.17)	1,495.73	1,176.09	23.93%	American Fund was UBS	Mut Funds	5796442 CV 65554	1,495.73
5/13/1985	Harrist Addison Memorial Park	Library	983.86	-	-	-	983.86	(326.66)	-	304.61	-	(22.05)	961.81	657.20	37.63%	Pioneer	Mut Funds	008-0806657381	961.81
3/1/1995	J. Rollins Trust	Mem. Park	3,578.23	-	-	-	3,578.23	198.94	267.46	831.92	(6.00)	1,292.32	4,870.55	3,777.17	25.43%	AG Edwards	Mut Funds	410-100746-043	4,870.55
8/12/1993	Memorial Park	Maintenance	38,549.73	-	-	-	38,549.73	(6,715.41)	2,407.14	7,487.31	(54.00)	3,065.04	41,614.77	31,774.32	26.96%	AG Edwards	Mut Funds	410-100746-043	41,614.77
	Memorial Park Trustees	Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	3,628.13	96.21	(3,366.80)	-	357.54	357.54	3,628.13	4.83%	NY Saving	Checking & CD	-	357.54
			54,985.11	-	-	-	54,985.11	(5,866.77)	3,074.39	10,254.29	(3,501.80)	3,940.11	58,925.22	49,098.34	24.68%	-	-	-	58,925.22
Expendable Trusts:																			
Capital Reserve Funds:																			
3/9/2004	River Street Bridge		66,000.00	-	-	(66,000.00)	-	7,339.24	597.15	-	(7,936.39)	-	-	73,339.24	1.63%	Citizens	Concentration	331045-968-5	-
3/9/2004	Highway Truck		-	-	-	-	-	1,289.60	121.06	-	-	1,410.66	8,710.66	8,589.60	1.40%	Citizens	Concentration	331045-968-5	8,710.66
3/12/2002	Employee Disability Payment Fund	Insurance	7,300.00	-	-	-	7,300.00	1,226.73	946.92	-	-	2,173.65	11,073.65	34,226.73	1.31%	Citizens	Concentration	331045-968-5	11,073.65
4/1/2007	Ashland Electric		33,000.00	75,000.00	-	-	108,000.00	1,804.76	1,076.70	-	-	2,881.46	21,770.54	54,304.76	2.83%	Citizens	Concentration	331045-968-5	21,770.54
4/1/2007	Ashland Sewer		52,500.00	47,500.00	-	(81,160.92)	18,839.08	1,804.76	1,076.70	-	-	2,881.46	105,797.20	106,023.47	2.41%	Citizens	Concentration	331045-968-5	105,797.20
3/11/2008	Highway Sidewalk Plow		102,500.00	47,500.00	-	(50,283.84)	99,716.16	3,523.47	2,557.57	-	-	6,081.04	35,254.58	35,000.00	0.72%	Citizens	Concentration	331045-968-5	35,254.58
			35,000.00	-	-	-	35,000.00	15,183.80	5,553.98	-	(7,936.39)	12,801.39	281,656.63	311,483.80	1.87%	-	-	-	281,656.63
Agency Trusts:																			
Ashland School District																			
1/23/2003	School District Special	Insurance	55,298.66	-	-	-	55,298.66	9,717.13	916.25	-	-	10,633.38	65,932.04	65,015.79	1.40%	Citizens	Pool	331045-968-5	65,932.04
5/13/1985	Alice June Addison Memorial Scholarship	Scholarship	9,336.34	-	-	-	9,336.34	(1,904.42)	206.46	1,833.75	(150.00)	(14.21)	9,332.13	7,431.92	2.46%	UBS	Mut Funds	CV 65555 33	9,332.13
5/13/1985	Alice June Addison Memorial Scholarship	Scholarship	11.25	-	-	-	11.25	581.31	1.09	-	-	582.40	593.65	82.63	0.32%	MVS	Pyramid	10284933	593.65
8/16/1987	Edward M. Dogert Memorial Scholarship	Scholarship	2,012.62	-	-	-	2,012.62	(599.86)	278.53	540.39	-	219.06	2,231.68	1,412.76	15.29%	UBS	Mut Funds	CV 75555 33	2,231.68
			66,658.87	-	-	-	66,658.87	7,794.16	1,402.33	2,374.14	(150.00)	11,420.63	78,079.50	73,943.10	1.84%	-	-	-	78,079.50
	Totals		417,943.98	170,000.00	-	(197,444.76)	390,499.22	17,091.19	10,030.70	12,628.43	(11,986.19)	28,162.13	418,661.35	434,925.24	2.35%	-	-	-	418,661.35
													347,588.67						
													70,715.14						
													418,661.35						

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT - 2009
Submitted by Linda Guyotte, Treasurer

CHECKING ACCOUNTS	TOWN	ELECTRIC	WATER	SEWER
BEGINNING BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2009	\$ 1,269,201.02	\$ 468,263.32	\$ 21,293.48	\$ 88,476.77
DEPOSITS	\$ 5,684,025.72	\$ 2,911,097.29	\$ 220,814.28	\$ 417,144.84
EXPENDITURES	\$ 5,947,437.50	\$ 3,197,769.11	\$ 194,395.90	\$ 358,421.66
INTEREST	\$ 3,911.54	\$ 1,872.05	\$ 58.86	\$ 1,276.60
TOTAL	\$ 1,009,700.78	\$ 183,463.55	\$ 47,770.72	\$ 148,476.55
PROOF OF BALANCE 12/31/2009				
MVSB CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 133,669.66	\$ -		
MVSB CASH MANAGER ACCOUNT	\$ 876,031.12	\$ 44,031.51	\$ 47,770.72	\$ 148,476.55
TOTAL MEREDITH VILLAGE SAVINGS	\$ 1,009,700.78	\$ 44,031.51	\$ 47,770.72	\$ 148,476.55
FSB CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 16,249.46			
FSB MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	\$ 123,182.58			
TOTAL FRANKLIN SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$ 139,432.04			
INVESTED FUNDS				
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 1,502.51	\$ 28,717.04	\$ 153,650.76	\$ 270,986.65
CONTRIBUTION TO NH PUBLIC INVESTORS POOL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TRANSFERS TO CITIZENS BANK	\$ 1,158,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00
INTEREST	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
WITHDRAWALS CITIZENS BANK	\$ 2,665.87	\$ 243.57	\$ 1,294.90	\$ 2,298.45
TOTAL	\$ 735,250.00	\$ 28,960.61	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 273,285.10
	\$ 426,918.38	\$ 28,960.61	\$ 100,800.66	\$ 273,285.10
PROOF OF BALANCE 12/31/2009				
CITIZENS BANK	\$ 426,918.38	\$ 28,717.04	\$ 100,800.66	\$ 273,285.10
FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK	\$ -	\$ -		
COMMUNITY GUARANTY SAVINGS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
TOTAL	\$ 426,918.38	\$ 28,717.04	\$ 148,571.38	\$ 273,285.10
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2009	\$ 1,436,619.16	\$ 212,180.59	\$ 196,342.10	\$ 421,761.65



Roberts, Greene & Drolet, PLLC

February 4, 2010

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Ashland
P.O. Box 517
Ashland, NH 03217

Dear Members of the Board:

We are currently in the process of completing the audit of the financial statements of the Town of Ashland for the year ended December 31, 2009. Our report will be issued as soon as it is completed. We appreciate the opportunity to provide auditing services to the Town.

Sincerely yours,

Roberts, Greene & Drolet, PLLC

J. Harding & Company, PLLC
Certified Public Accountants

John C. Harding, CPA

John F. Fullerton

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Plymouth, NH 03264
(603)536-4441
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To the Commissioners
Ashland, New Hampshire

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Water, Sewer and Electric Department Proprietary Funds of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire Proprietary Funds' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these fund financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in the notes to financial statements, the financial statements present only the Water, Sewer and Electric Department Enterprise Funds, and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2009, and the changes in its financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Water, Sewer and Electric Department Enterprise Funds of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, has not presented management discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Water, Sewer and Electric Department Proprietary Funds of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2009, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying combining financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the enterprise fund financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the enterprise fund financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented, in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

J. Harding & Company, PLLC

Plymouth, New Hampshire
January 21, 2010

TOWN OF ASHLAND
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
 DECEMBER 31, 2009

	<u>WATER UTILITY</u>	<u>SEWER UTILITY</u>	<u>ELECTRIC UTILITY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
ASSETS				
Assets				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 148,571	\$ 427,158	\$ 202,975	\$ 778,704
Investments	21,721	105,797	110,174	237,692
Receivables, net of allowance	20,746	24,964	389,359	435,069
Inventories	-	-	123,700	123,700
Fixed Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>3,969,178</u>	<u>2,091,324</u>	<u>2,215,180</u>	<u>8,275,682</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 4,160,216</u>	<u>\$ 2,649,243</u>	<u>\$ 3,041,388</u>	<u>\$ 9,850,847</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current Liabilities				
Municipal revenue bond - current	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,591	100,591
Accounts payable	-	1,687	525,880	527,567
Customer deposits	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,552</u>	<u>7,552</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>1,687</u>	<u>634,023</u>	<u>635,710</u>
Long-Term Liability				
Municipal revenue bond	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,189,271</u>	<u>1,189,271</u>
Net Assets				
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	3,969,178	2,091,324	925,318	6,985,820
Unrestricted	<u>191,038</u>	<u>556,232</u>	<u>292,776</u>	<u>1,040,046</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>4,160,216</u>	<u>2,647,556</u>	<u>1,218,094</u>	<u>8,025,866</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 4,160,216</u>	<u>\$ 2,649,243</u>	<u>\$ 3,041,388</u>	<u>\$ 9,850,847</u>

**TOWN OF ASHLAND
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	<u>WATER UTILITY</u>	<u>SEWER UTILITY</u>	<u>ELECTRIC UTILITY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
OPERATING REVENUES				
User Charges	\$ 157,649	\$ 348,494	\$ 2,735,728	\$ 3,241,871
Street Lighting	-	-	41,230	41,230
Miscellaneous	5,391	-	46,364	51,755
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>163,040</u>	<u>348,494</u>	<u>2,823,322</u>	<u>3,334,856</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Administration	28,712	31,381	220,929	281,022
Operations	103,277	214,481	2,892,838	3,210,596
Depreciation and amortization	138,290	92,289	131,030	361,609
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>270,279</u>	<u>338,151</u>	<u>3,244,797</u>	<u>3,853,227</u>
OPERATING INCOME	<u>(107,239)</u>	<u>10,343</u>	<u>(421,475)</u>	<u>(518,371)</u>
Nonoperating Revenues and (Expenses)				
Interest income	1,542	4,493	2,872	8,907
Interest expense	-	-	(57,059)	(57,059)
Total Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses	<u>1,542</u>	<u>4,493</u>	<u>(54,187)</u>	<u>(48,152)</u>
Change in Net Fund Assets	<u>(105,697)</u>	<u>14,836</u>	<u>(475,662)</u>	<u>(566,523)</u>
Transfers	<u>(19,440)</u>	<u>19,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	<u>4,285,353</u>	<u>2,613,280</u>	<u>1,693,756</u>	<u>8,592,389</u>
Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$ 4,160,216</u>	<u>\$ 2,647,556</u>	<u>\$ 1,218,094</u>	<u>\$ 8,025,866</u>

**TOWN OF ASHLAND
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	WATER UTILITY	SEWER UTILITY	ELECTRIC UTILITY	TOTAL
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Receipts from customers and other	\$ 161,106	\$ 357,488	\$ 2,901,646	\$ 3,420,240
Payments to suppliers	(115,941)	(228,033)	(2,711,672)	(3,055,646)
Payments to employees	(16,145)	(16,145)	(231,271)	(263,561)
Net cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>29,020</u>	<u>113,310</u>	<u>(41,297)</u>	<u>101,033</u>
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:				
Change in interfund balance, net	-	-	-	-
Net cash flows provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:				
Repayment of debt	-	-	(96,405)	(96,405)
Interest paid on municipal revenue bond	-	-	(57,059)	(57,059)
Transfers	(19,440)	19,440	-	-
Acquisition of capital assets	(70,722)	(73,317)	(24,742)	(168,781)
Net cash flows used for capital and related financing activities	<u>(90,162)</u>	<u>(53,877)</u>	<u>(178,206)</u>	<u>(322,245)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchase of investments	(47,733)	(48,411)	(75,756)	(171,900)
Investments redeemed	80,960	50,283	-	131,243
Interest income	1,542	4,493	2,872	8,907
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>34,769</u>	<u>6,365</u>	<u>(72,884)</u>	<u>(31,750)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	<u>(26,373)</u>	<u>65,798</u>	<u>(292,387)</u>	<u>(252,962)</u>
Cash - beginning of year	<u>174,944</u>	<u>361,360</u>	<u>495,362</u>	<u>1,031,666</u>
Cash - end of year	<u>\$ 148,571</u>	<u>\$ 427,158</u>	<u>\$ 202,975</u>	<u>\$ 778,704</u>
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Operating income (loss)	\$ (107,239)	\$ 10,343	\$ (421,475)	\$ (518,371)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	138,290	92,289	131,030	361,609
(Increase) decrease in assets:				
Accounts receivable	(1,934)	8,991	76,522	83,579
Inventory	-	-	(13,000)	(13,000)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:				
Accounts payable	(97)	1,687	183,824	185,414
Customer deposits	-	-	1,802	1,802
Net cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ 29,020</u>	<u>\$ 113,310</u>	<u>\$ (41,297)</u>	<u>\$ 101,033</u>



2010
WARRANT
AND
BUDGET

Official Ballot
(As amended at January 30, 2010 Deliberative Session)
Annual Town Election
March 9, 2010

Article 1:

To choose all of the following officers for the year ensuing:

Article 1:

To choose all of the following officers for the year ensuing:

- (2) Selectman for three year term
- (1) Town Trustee of the Trust Funds for three-year term
- (1) Library Trustee for three-year term
- (1) Electric Commissioner for three-year term
- (1) Water and Sewer Commissioner for three year term
- (1) Town Moderator for two year term
- (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for six year term
- (2) Budget Committee member for three-year term
- (2) Budget Committee member for two year term

Article 2: Zoning

Amendment 1. Are you in favor of amending the Town of Ashland Zoning Ordinance Article 6.4a to comply with NH RSA 676:7 and 6.4b to comply with NH RSA 674:33?

Article 3.

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as an operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$6,589,684. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$6,441,706 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Article 4.

Shall the Town delegate the duties and responsibilities of the cemetery trustees to the board of selectmen?

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed Sixty Eight Thousand dollars (\$68,000) to purchase a new six wheel one ton dump truck. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the truck is purchased or by December 31, 2011 whichever occurs first. (BOS voted 4-0 to recommend)(Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 6.

If Article 5 fails will the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Highway Truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000) to be placed in this fund and to further appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (BOS voted 4-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to be deposited into the existing Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a new sidewalk plow in the future. (BOS voted 4-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of starting the process of updating the Town of Ashland Master Plan. (Majority vote required) (BOS voted 4-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000) for the purpose of street improvements. (Majority vote required) (BOS voted 5-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new police cruiser. (Majority vote required) (BOS voted 4-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 11.

Shall the Town vote to decrease the membership of the Planning Board (as defined in RSA 673:2) from 7 full voting members to 5 full voting members?

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purchase of an emergency generator for the Ashland Fire Department. (Majority vote required) (BOS voted 4-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 50% of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) with a cap of \$5000 into the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II.

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to employ a weekly part-time Firefighter/EMT position for the Fire Department and to raise and appropriate \$11,024 to compensate that part-time position in 2010. This position will start May 1, 2010 and would be scheduled for 16 hours per week. (BOS voted 4-1 to recommend)(Budget Committee voted 4-4 to recommend)

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Accrued Leave Time Non Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of paying accrued vacation and sick time to employees who are paid through the town's general operating budget upon leaving their employment with the town. \$27,876.00 to be appropriated from Fund Balance and to appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund. BOS voted 5-0 to recommend) (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend)

Article 16.

Petitioned Warrant Article

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative(s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House, and the Senate President.

Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines "marriage".

Article 17.

Petitioned Warrant Article

Are you in favor of decreasing the board of selectmen to 3 members?

Article 18.

Petitioned Warrant Article

Do you authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint the Chief of Police?

Article 19.

Petitioned Warrant Article

Do you favor adoption of the town manager plan as provided in Chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes Annotated?

Article 20.

Petitioned Warrant Article

To see if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the Default Budget to the Municipal Budget Committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14.

Article 21.

Petitioned Warrant Article

To see if funding for Grafton County Senior Citizens Council INC. services for Ashland residents is not approved through the regular Town Budget process we request that \$5000 be raised and appropriated to Grafton County Senior Citizens Council INC. for services for Ashland residents in 2010. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support, ServiceLink support, and more. In 2009, Grafton County Senior Citizens Council INC provided services for 142 Ashland residents, and the cost of providing these services was \$100,328.49. (Budget Committee voted 8-0 to recommend) (Board of Selectmen voted to 5-0 to recommend)

TOWN OF ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DENNIS POTTER
SANDRA COLEMAN
JEANETTE I. STEWART
LEIGH SHARPS
ROBERT COMEAU

BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: ASHLAND

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

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): _____

25-Jan-10

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

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

[Handwritten signatures]

[Handwritten signatures]

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

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

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive		6168	5679	6167		6167	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		30854	30875	36239	850	37089	
4160-4161	Financial Administration		245565	237876	247563		241968	5595
4152	Revaluation of Property		67140	32370	40225		40225	
4153	Legal Expense		10000	35396	15000	2500	17500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		13753	5002	13753		13753	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		6611	1987	4862		4862	
4194	General Government Buildings		26000	44651	41850		28050	13800
4195	Cemeteries		400	400	450		450	
4196	Insurance		98260	81893	95988		95988	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1974	1974	1976		1976	
4199	Other General Government		6000	650	6000		6000	
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police		495245	463050	559222		559222	
4215-4219	Ambulance		29750	29750	34821		34821	
4220-4229	Fire		167954	170625	171212		167212	4000
4240-4249	Building Inspection		8563	7737	8613		8613	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		1315	315	1315		1315	
4299	Other (Including Communications)							
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER								
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311	Administration		223021	212206	227102		227102	
4312	Highways & Streets		124053	127602	147702		147702	
4313	Bridges		400	436	450		450	

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					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting		40000	41531	43000		43000	
4314	TOWN MECHANIC		70623	67741	72165		72165	
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		141783	135831	147247		147023	224
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4362	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH/WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		2453	2921	3501		3501	
4414	Pest Control		3100	3200	3400		3400	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other							
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		38065	55593	58265		58265	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		7500	7500	7500	14822	22322	

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			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Prior Year		(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
CULTURE & RECREATION									
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		158100	135346	172141	543	172684	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4550-4559	Library		46058	46058	53705	533	54238	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4583	Patriotic Purposes		6506	10729	10567		10567	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		646	646	646		646	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
CONSERVATION									
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		500	518	500	500	1000	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4619	Other Conservation							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
DEBT SERVICE									
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		210508	210508	214702		214702	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		132956	132957	123005		123005	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		500	7076	2000		2000	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
CAPITAL OUTLAY									
4901	Land							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		4685	4685	4685		4685	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4903	Buildings							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT									
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4914	To Enterprise Fund		305969	306409	341195		341195	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
	Sewer.		195818	223177	226386		226386	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
	Water.							XXXXXX	XXXXXX

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3.VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)
5	HIGHWAY TRUCK PURCHASE				68000		68000	
6	HIGHWAY TRUCK CRF				34000		34000	
7	SIDEWALK PLOW CRF				35000		35000	
15	ACCRUED LEAVE TIME CRF				27876		27876	
21	GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN		5000	5000	5000		5000	
13	FIRE DEPT VENTILATION SYSTEM		46000	40667				
** TOTALS DO NOT INCLUDE								
			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	169876	XXXXXXX	169876	XXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)
8	MASTER PLAN				10000		10000	
9	STREET IMPROVEMENTS				110000		110000	
10	POLICE CRUISER				30000		30000	
12	EMERGENCY GENERATOR				20000		20000	
14	FIRE DEPARTMENT POSITION				11024			11024
9	GRADER ENGINE		7000	5631				
4	RIVER STREET BRIDGE		419349	419349				
	INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	181024	XXXXXXX	170000	XXXXXXX

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	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	Electric-		3209584	3370087	3448435		3448435	
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund *							
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 *							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds *							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Fiduciary Funds							
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL		6138380	6260485	6593555	19748	6589684	23619

* Use special warrant article section on next page.

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		7077	1500	1500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		56337	57900	57900
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		32236	40000	40000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		10	1	1
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1434	1231	1231
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		284839	295500	295500
3230	Building Permits		10333	5536	5536
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4417	3750	3750
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		17419	2	2
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		0	1	1
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		92866	75000	75000
3353	Highway Block Grant		47431	51528	51529
3354	Water Pollution Grant		34617	54991	54991
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		66	1	1
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		449047	3	3
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		138988	131220	133220
3409	Other Charges		0	1	1
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		50	2	40002
3502	Interest on Investments		6583	4000	4000
3503-3509	Other		19490	16876	16876
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		341195	341195	341195
	Water - (Offset)		226386	226386	226386
	Electric - (Offset)		3209584	3448435	3448435
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				27876	27876
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				80000	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			5060405	4782935	4824936

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	6138379	6593554	6589684
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	51000	169876	169876
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	426349	181024	170000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	6615728	6944454	6929560
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)		4782936	4824936
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1708473	2161518	2104624

*** IF ARTICLE 5 PASSES THE EXPENDITURE RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE WILL BE \$34, 000 LESS THAN THE TOTALS SHOWN ABOVE BECAUSE THE MONIES IN ARTICLE 6 WILL NOT BE APPROPRIATED.

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____ 658,509.20
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE
(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)
(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1: Use if you have no Collective Bargaining Cost Items or RSA 32:21 Water Costs

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: ASHLAND FISCAL YEAR END 2010

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7, 27, or 37)	6929560
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	214702
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	123005
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	4685
5. Mandatory Assessments	2076
6. Total exclusions (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	<344468 >
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6)	6585092
8. Line 7 times 10%	658509.20
9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 + 8)	7588069.20

Line 8 is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Please enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

Please attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

January 1	Fiscal Year Begins
March 1	Filing deadline for tax abatements
March 9	Official Balloting Day 9AM – 7 PM
April 1	All real property assessed to owner
April 15	Deadline for religious, educational and charitable organizations to file annual list of all exempt property with assessing officials.
April 15	Deadline for Credits/Exemptions for year preceding setting of tax rate
April 15	Last day to file Report of Cut for 2008-09 year
April 15	Last day to file Current Use Application for 2010 year
April 30	Dog tags expire
July 1	First Issue 2010 tax bill due
December 1	Second Issue 2010 tax bill due

MEETING SCHEDULES

****Subject to change with notice**

Board of Selectmen	First/Third Monday of the Month – 7 PM at Ashland School
Board of Selectmen	Work session – Second Monday of the Month – Time TBA
Planning Board	First Wednesday of the month 7PM at Ashland School Work Session – Third Wednesday 6:30 PM Town Hall
Zoning Board	Scheduled as needed – posted at Town Hall and Post Office
Conservation Commission	Second Wednesday of the month 6 PM – Town Office
Housing Standards	As needed
Budget Committee	As needed
Electric Commissioners	Second/Fourth Tuesday - 7 PM - Utility Office
Water/Sewer Commissioners	First/Third Thursday – 7 PM – Utility Office