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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, 2011**

INFORMATIONAL

TOWN OF ASHLAND – GRAFTON COUNTY
POPULATION – 2010

DATE OF INCORPORATION – 1868
Lat 43.695°N Lon 71.631°W
Elevation 551'

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 3:30 - 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	PUBLIC WORKS DEPT	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
FUEL ASSISTANCE – TRI COUNTY CAP		968-3560

ASHLAND TOWN REPORT
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2011 TOWN REPORT

DEDICATION



It is with great pleasure that we dedicate the 2011 Town Report to our fellow citizen Mark W. Ober.

Mark spent the past 38 years working for the Town, first as a laborer for the Highway Department and eventually becoming the Road Agent. During his tenure as an employee of the Town he has shown the utmost concern for his fellow citizens as he fulfilled the obligations of heading the Ashland Highway Department and the establishment of the Transfer/Recycling Center.

Dedicated, loyal and hard working best describe Mark. Those that have worked with him during his tenure know full well that if they asked for help with anything, he delivered.

Thank you Mark, for everything and we wish you nothing but the best for years to come.

Ashland Town Report 2011

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:

Kathleen Warner

Rita Lott

Marianne Nelson

Rita Kohuwsky

Helen Knowlton

Robert Duclos

Harold Brunt

Richard Barr

Ruth Vaillant

Fae Prescott

Robert Inkel Sr.

James Crowley

Philip Defosses

Frances Fernandes

Marie Prince

Francis Dore

Scot Maywalt

TOWN OF ASHLAND
BOARDS AND OFFICIALS

Board of Selectmen	Daniel Golden	Term Expires 2014
	Dennis Potter -Resigned	Term Expires 2013
	Glenn Dion - Appointed	
	Jeanette I. Stewart	Term Expires 2012
Town Administrator	Paul Branscombe	
Office Assistant	Patricia Crowell	
Finance Officer	Anita Treloar	
Town Clerk	Patricia Tucker, CTC	
Deputy Town Clerk	Anne Abear	
Tax Collector	Patricia Tucker, CTC	
Deputy Tax Collector	Patricia Crowell	
	Anne Abear	
Town Treasurer	Linda Guyotte	Term Expires 2014
Deputy Treasurer	Linda Eastman	
Town Moderator	Philip Preston	Term Expires 2012
Trustees of Trust Funds	Richard Pare	Term Expires 2014
	Richard Ogden	Term Expires 2013
	Thomas Peters	Term Expires 2012
	David Ruell	Term Expires 2014
Library Trustees	Alice Staples	Term Expires 2013
	Lynn Davis	Term Expires 2012
	Maryann Reinholz	Term Expires 2016
Supervisors of Checklist	Teri Linden	Term Expires 2014
	Beverly Ober	Term Expires 2012
	Daniel Vaughn	Term Expires 2014
Electric Commissioners	Kendall L. Hughes	Term Expires 2013
	Michael Evleth (Resigned)	Term Expires 2012
	Sandra Coleman	Appointed
	Robert Boyle	Term Expires 2014
Water/Sewer Commissioners	Alan Cilley	Term Expires 2013
	Leigh Sharps (Resigned)	Term Expires 2012
	John C. Hughes	Appointed
	Michael Evleth	Resigned
Ashland Planning Board	Susan McLeod	2012
	Robert Boyle	2012
	Gordon McCormack Jr	2014
	Jennifer Ogden	
	Anthony Randall - Alternate	
	Paul Branscombe - Alternate	
	Jeanette I. Stewart - BOS Rep	

Zoning Board of Adjustment	Don Latulippe	2014
	Elaine Allard	2013
	Michelle Fistek	2013
	Robert Boyle	2012
	Patricia Tucker - Alt	2012
Code Enforcement Officer	Robert Hicks	
Building Department	Robert Hicks - Building Inspector	
	Butch Smith - Electrical Inspector	
	Erik Ames - Plumbing Inspector	
	Fire Department - Heating Inspector	
Highway Department	Mark Ober - Public Works Director - Retired	
	Timothy Paquette - PW Director	
	Daniel Thompson	
	Raymond Dow	
	George Chase	
Town Mechanic	Lee Huckins	
Parks and Rec Director	James Gleich	
Police Department	Chief Anthony Randall	
	Lt. Donald Marren	
	Sgt. Daniel Hamilton	
	Officer Bruce Cote	
	Officer Patrick Brady	
	Adm. Howard Beaudry	
	Adm. Jamie Lyford	
Scribner Trustees	Elliott Dupuis	2012
	Alfred Salvoni	2013
Conservation Commission	Renee Liebert	2012
	Stacy Luke	2012
	Mark Schultz	2013
	Daniel Stack	2013
Health/Welfare Officer	Robert Hicks	
	Paul Branscombe, Deputy	
Housing Standards Board	Ellison Badger	2013
	Jane Felton	2014
	Fran Newton	2012
	Health Officer	
	Fire Chief	
Electric Department	Superintendent Lee Nichols	
	Joe Vittum	
	Linda Pack	
	Patricia Fligg, Resigned	
	Karen Wheelock	

Water/Sewer Department	Operator Utility Partners Russell Cross Jr., Manager John Fligg Kay Mudgett	
Joint Loss Management	Patricia Crowell Craig Moore Timothy Paquette James Gleich Joe Vittum Daniel Hamilton Robert Hicks Jeanette I. Stewart	
Historic Commission	Robert Hicks Claire Hicks	
Memorial Park Trustees	Stephen Jaquith Philip Preston	
Fire Department	Chief Stephen Heath Dep. Chief Timothy Joubert	
Emergency Management	Director Lee Nichols Dep. Director Paul Branscombe	
Budget Committee	David Ruell Fran Newton Mark Scarano Stephen Felton Christine Austin Ingrid Heidenreich Sandra Coleman Daniel Golden - BOS Rep Jeanette I. Stewart - BOS Alt Miriam Brown - School Board Rep Kevin Stack - School Board Alt	2012 2012 2012 2013 2013 2014 2014

NOTICE

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- Make a request to the local governing body
- No later than December 31, 2016.

Once restored:

- Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

This notice must be:

- *Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016, and*
- *Published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report.*

Read the full statute at [RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots](#).

POSTED JANUARY 1, 2012

2011

**TOWN MEETING
DELIBERATIVE SESSION
AND
ELECTION RESULTS**

TOWN OF ASHLAND

MINUTES OF DELIBERATIVE SESSION

FEBRUARY 5, 2011

In accordance with the legally posted warrant Moderator Philip Preston called the Deliberative Session to order at 1:05 PM.

Officials at the head table were – Selectmen Sandra Coleman, Dennis Potter, Jeanette I. Stewart, Leigh Sharps; Town Administrator Paul Branscombe; Town Attorney Leigh Willey; Moderator Philip Preston; Town Clerk Patricia Tucker; Budget Committee Members – David Ruell, Miriam Brown, Ingrid Heidenreich, Steve Felton, Stephen Lake, Beth Bartlett.

Moderator Preston announced that vote by official ballot on all warrant articles will take place on March 8, 2011 at the Ashland School Gymnasium, 27 Highland Street. **Polls will be open from 9:00 AM and will not close earlier than 7:00 PM.** Mr. Preston explained rules of procedure.

Article 1:

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

- Member Board of Selectmen - 3 year term
- Member Board of Selectmen - 2 year term
- Member Board of Selectmen - 1 year term
- Town Clerk - 3 year term
- Town Treasurer - 3 year term
- Town Trustee of the Trust Funds - 3 year term
- Library Trustee - 3 year term
- Electric Commissioner - 3 year term
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 3 year term
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 2 year term
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 1 year term
- Budget Committee - 3 year term [two positions]
- Budget Committee - 2 year term

Moderator Preston announced that this article was the election of officers and would appear on the ballot.

Article 2

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 \$6,672,645. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$6,635,592 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 Article 2; there were no questions; it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 3

To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a four year lease agreement for \$58,504 for the purpose of leasing two (2) police vehicles for the Police Department, and to **raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,626** for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 8-0.

Moderator Preston read Article 3; Police Chief Anthony Randall explained the need for the passing of this article; no further discussion; it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty nine thousand dollars (\$129,000) to purchase a sidewalk plow and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of seventy thousand (\$70,000) from the Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund. **The balance of fifty nine thousand (\$59,000) 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, 2012, whichever occurs first. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

Moderator Preston read Article 4; no discussion; it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 5

To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement for a Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillator and to **raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety One Dollars (\$9291)** for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 3-1.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

Moderator Preston read Article 5 - Sandra Coleman moved to amend the article to read "To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement for a Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillator for \$27,873 and to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety One Dollars (\$9291) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause." Seconded by Dennis Potter.

Fire Chief Stephen Heath spoke in favor of this article and explained the need for the purchase, it was also stated that the price included a trade in.

Voice vote on the amendment was in the affirmative; no further discussion; it was announced that the article as amended would appear on the ballot.

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of continuing the process of updating the Town of Ashland Master Plan. (Majority vote required)

*Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.
Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.*

Moderator Preston read Article 6; following discussion it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to create a Town Clock Non Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of **RSA 35:1-c** for the purpose of maintaining and repairing the Town Clock housed in the Ashland First Free Will Baptist Church Steeple, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) to be deposited into that fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend funds from said fund. (Majority vote required)

*Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.
Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.*

Moderator Preston read Article 7; no discussion; it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of repairing the roof and walkway of the Squam River Covered Bridge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the bridge repairs are completed or by December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required)

*Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.
Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.*

Moderator Preston read Article 8; David Ruell spoke in favor of this article and explained that an outside donation of \$10,000 had been received [with condition that the roof be wooden shake shingles] and that the Historical Society would match up to \$5000 in a funding raising campaign; no further discussion; it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 9 - **Petitioned Warrant Article**

Shall the voters approve the number of the select board from three to five members?

Moderator Preston read Article 9; Motion by Leigh Sharps to amend the article to read " Are you in favor of increasing the board of selectmen from three to five members? Seconded by Beth Bartlett Following discussion; voice vote on the amendment was in the affirmative; it was declared that the article appear on the ballot as amended.

Article 10 -Petitioned Warrant Article

Are you in favor of having the office of town clerk combined with the office of tax collector thereby creating a new office of town clerk-tax collector to be held by one individual for three years?

Moderator Preston read Article 10; following discussion it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 11 -Petitioned Warrant Article

To see 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 **\$5000 be raised and appropriated** Grafton County Senior Citizens Council Inc for services for Ashland Residents in 2011. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support, ServiceLink support, and more. In 2010, Grafton County Senior Citizens Council Inc. provided services to 1199 Ashland residents and the cost of providing these services was \$83,885.48.

*Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.
Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 7-2.*

Moderator Preston read Article 11; Motion to amend article to replace "1199" with the word "many"; seconded by Jeanette I. Stewart; following discussion voice vote on the amendment was in the affirmative; it was announced that the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Article 12:

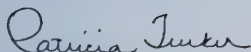
To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Jeanette Stewart asked that the warrant articles be read carefully before voting.

Daniel Golden proposed that a PA system be purchased.

Susan MacLeod thanked all the public officials for all the work that they do.

At 2:30 PM Jeanette I. Stewart moved and Leigh Sharps seconded a motion to adjourn; voted in the affirmative and so declared by Moderator Preston.



Patricia Tucker
Ashland Town Clerk
February 5, 2011

**RESULTS OF OFFICIAL BALLOTING
TOWN OF ASHLAND
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2011**

Article 1:

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

- Member Board of Selectmen - 3 year term
Stephen Lake 124 Daniel Golden 262
- Member Board of Selectmen - 2 year term
Dennis Potter 206 Sandra Coleman 182
- Member Board of Selectmen - 1 year term
Dean Straw 107 Ingrid Heidenreich 122 Jeanette I. Stewart 184
- Town Clerk - 3 year term
Patricia Tucker 305 Sherrie Downing 119
- Town Treasurer - 3 year term
Linda Guyotte 371
- Town Trustee of the Trust Funds - 3 year term
Richard Pare 364
- Library Trustee - 3 year term
David Ruell 375
- Electric Commissioner - 3 year term
Daniel "Dan" Vaughn 350
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 3 year term
Robert Boyle 234 Carleton Abear 154
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 2 year term
Bobbi Hoerter 184 Alan Cilley 192
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 1 year term
Leigh Sharps 271
- Budget Committee - 3 year term [two positions]
Ingrid Heidenreich 244 Sandra Coleman 208
- Budget Committee - 2 year term
Steve Felton 331

Article 2

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 \$6,672,645. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$6,635,592 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.

YES 217 NO 137

Article 3

To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a four year lease agreement for \$58,504 for the purpose of leasing two (2) police vehicles for the Police Department, and to **raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,626** for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 8-0.

YES 296 NO 113

Official Balloting Results - March 8, 2011

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty nine thousand dollars (\$129,000) to purchase a sidewalk plow and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of seventy thousand (\$70,000) from the Highway Sidewalk Plow Capital Reserve Fund. **The balance of fifty nine thousand (\$59,000) 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, 2012, whichever occurs first. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

YES 259 NO 149

Article 5

To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement for a Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillator and **to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety One Dollars (\$9291)** for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 3-1.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

YES 318 NO 88

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote **to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)** for the purpose of continuing the process of updating the Town of Ashland Master Plan. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

YES 224 NO 174

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to create a Town Clock Non Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of **RSA 35:1-c** for the purpose of maintaining and repairing the Town Clock housed in the Ashland First Free Will Baptist Church Steeple, and **to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00)** to be deposited into that fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend funds from said fund. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

YES 275 NO 133

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote **to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000)** for the purpose of repairing the roof and walkway of the Squam River Covered Bridge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the bridge repairs are completed or by December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 9-0.

YES 278 NO 128

Article 9 - **Petitioned Warrant Article**

Shall the voters approve the number of the select board from three to five members?

YES 180 NO 226

Official Balloting Results - March 8, 2011

Article 10 -Petitioned Warrant Article

Are you in favor of having the office of town clerk combined with the office of tax collector thereby creating a new office of town clerk-tax collector to be held by one individual for three years?

YES 225 NO 168

Article 11 -Petitioned Warrant Article

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Board of Selectmen recommended this article by a vote of 5-0.

Budget Committee recommended this article by a vote of 7-2.

YES 343 NO 61

*Patricia Tucker
Ashland Town Clerk*

RESULTS OF RECOUNT OF
MARCH 8, 2011 OFFICAL BALLOTING RESULTS

Water and Sewer Commissioner – 2 year term

As announced by Moderator Philip Preston – March 15, 2011

Alan Cilley	192
Bobbi Hoerter	184

Alan Cilley was declared to have prevailed as the winner of this race.

Board of Selectmen – 2 year term

As announced by Moderator Philip Preston – March 16, 2011

Dennis Potter	207
Sandra Coleman	182

Dennis Potter was declared to have prevailed as the winner of this race.

2011

**DEPARTMENTS
BOARDS
AND
COMMISSIONS**

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Submitted by Paul Branscombe

It is with great pleasure that I present my first annual report to the residents of Ashland for the year 2011. My first year as your Town Administrator has been a "real honor" and I had no idea how much enjoyment I would get out of serving the public. My role has been and will always be to administer the policies of the Board of Selectmen. I should like to thank the Board for their continued support during my learning curve and also to Pat Tucker and Pat Crowell in the Town Office for guiding me over numerous municipal hurdles.

It has been a tough year with the credit crisis, high fuel costs, bankruptcies, foreclosures and a failing economy all adding to the woes of smaller communities like Ashland. The State and Federal revenues have decreased and invariably it falls down to the local level. It leaves municipalities to decide the lesser of two evils: raise taxes or cut services. People are frustrated; money is tight and in these somewhat anti-government times public sentiment is pretty rough on all levels of government. This was evidenced when the tax rate was announced and residents voiced that they thought the Selectmen had lost their grip on reality. In fact the Board voted to contribute money from Surplus to keep the Town portion of the tax rate the same as before.

2011 saw Ashland's first operating budget since 2008, having worked on a default budget for three years. This allowed for some road repairs and the purchase of vehicles and equipment for Town departments. During budget season the Selectmen and the Budget Committee pored over every line in every budget in an attempt to keep the proposed 2012 budget level funded, with careful and thoughtful cooperation from department heads. We had to make some hard choices so that we could direct our limited taxpayer funds to our core responsibilities. There were simply programs that we could no longer afford and the position of Parks & Recreation Director will become part time in the New Year. Change is hard and some of the protests will be loud.

During this year the Selectmen directed me to look at alternatives to our ever increasing health insurance premiums and the Town Office solicited a number of quotes from insurance brokers and markets. Hopefully in 2012 we shall be able to stabilize these premiums when decisions are made by the governing body. In line with health insurance savings the Town employees have been asked to contribute towards their health insurance coverage and this will take effect next year.

Looking back over the year there have been many positives that took place in Ashland, the most important of which was the rehabilitation of the River Street Bridge which had been stalled for a couple of years. We also must not forget the new roof on our famous landmark, the Covered Bridge over the Squam River. The Booster Club also received a new roof and a new ramp for wheelchair accessibility.

The Town was unscathed when tropical storm Irene went through and also the November Ice Storm which brought down power lines in all of our neighboring communities. This is when we are thankful that we have our own electric department.

Our Town website has been under development during the year and we have made great strides with the help of our web host and an intern from PSU and in early 2012 we shall have a new and improved website which will serve as a very useful tool for the Town employees, residents and visitors.

The Town was fortunate enough to have a visit from the folks at Plan NH who came to offer their insight as to the future vision of Ashland by preparing a Charrette, the findings of which the Town will receive in the New Year.

On May 6th the first issue of the "Ashland Bulletin" rolled off the press, an on-line newsletter which has helped the Town Office share information and establishes a direct connection with residents of Ashland who are unable to view our website or attend the Selectmen's meetings. The regular Selectmen's meetings will be videotaped in the New Year and residents will be able to see them televised on the public access channels.

As we look to the future of Ashland we see fewer younger children; a growing teen population who lack a safe "hangout" space and a growing senior citizen population, some of whom have no means of transportation to keep their medical appointments or even go shopping. This is something that must be addressed in 2012. The voice of the Towns folk is very important as we go to the polls in March next year. Voices echo sentiments of stop spending, preach fiscal responsibility, find ways to increase our tax base and bring down our tax rate.

My open door policy has encouraged many residents to stop by my office and air their views and concerns and indicate to me how we can make Ashland a better place to live and work.

I look forward to working with the Board of Selectmen to achieve our common goals.

ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Submitted by Chairman Jeanette I. Stewart, Daniel Golden, Glenn Dion

The Board of Selectmen extends a special thanks to all individuals who have contributed their time and effort in so many ways, serving on the boards and committees which enhance the community.

The Board of Selectmen 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.

The following is an overview of the many accomplishments that the members of the Board have completed this year:

- Completion of the River Street Bridge project
- Reconstruction of Sanborn Road
- Restoration of the roof on the Squam River Covered Bridge
- Reviewed insurance rates with various carriers in order to achieve the best for the Town of Ashland and its employees
- Instituted a \$2.00 fee for transfer station stickers effective January 1, 2012
- Completed energy audit on town buildings, the findings will be used to save energy in the future
- Starting in January 2012 the Selectmen's Meetings will be taped by Pemi Baker Community Access Media
- The operating budget for 2011 was passed by the voters, which is a reflection on the hard work accomplished by the administration and department heads
- The Board used some of the unexpended fund balance in order to keep the town portion of the overall tax rate the same as 2010 which kept the overall increase of 70 cents.
- The Board of Selectmen enforced recycling at the transfer station and encouraged residents to recycle. Increased recycling reduces the hauling expense and generates revenue

The year 2011 was a very successful year. The Board of Selectmen completed many other tasks and projects to benefit the Town Of Ashland.

The Board will continue to work on completing the projects that have been started in 2011.

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

ASHLAND TOWN LIBRARY - 2011

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

- Patron visits: 8,197
- Programs offered: 75
- Items circulated: 12,108
- Computer users: 963
- Volunteer hours: 73
- Home visits: 41

The town library experienced major strides forward and major setbacks this year. Due to the public access computer fund line item in the budget and generous donations from the Friends of the Library, the library was again offering four public access computers. These computers were heavily used by the public, as evidenced by the statistics above. Unfortunately, the library was broken into in November and two computers were stolen, as well as a digital camera and a small amount of cash. The police investigation is ongoing, and a donation fund has been established to replace these computers.

On a more positive note, the library is now offering downloadable books. Patrons can download books to various devices via the library website, <http://www.ashlandtownlibrary.org/main.asp>.

Many programs were offered this year, including:

- Reading with Willow, a program from Therapy Dogs International that encourages children to read by providing a non-judgmental listener
- Summer Reading Program, One World, Many Stories, including a performance by Odds Bodkins, and the Hampstead Stage Company production of Aladdin.
- For adults: Book Discussion Group, Coupon Club
- Town employees guest-reading at story time: Paul Branscombe, Town Administrator; Tony Randall, Chief of Police; Jim Gleich, Director of Parks and Recreation; Lee Nichols, Superintendent of the Electric Department; and Brad Ober, Fire Chief.

This fall, the Ashland Fire Department conducted a fire/safety inspection at the library. Many violations were found, and are being addressed by the Scribner Trustees.

The library and the town were saddened this year by the passing of Noreen Crawford, lifelong resident and longtime library employee. The library will miss her knitting classes and her indefatigable spirit. In Noreen's memory, the Friends of the Library purchased Ancestry Library Edition, a popular genealogy database.

The Friends of the Library raised funds with their annual book and bake sale and silent auction, donated many dvds, and contributed many volunteer hours. The library trustees are very grateful for the hard work of this group! If you would like to join the Friends of the Ashland Town Library, please contact the library for more information.

The library also hosted community events such as trick or treating for the Halloween Parade, photos with Santa Claus during Christmas Night in Ashland, and the Friends of the Library sponsored the popular Meet the Candidates night.

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, Lisa Rollins, Madeline Weinberg and Linda Simko. 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
2011 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND

SPECIAL BANK ACCOUNTS

DONATIONS

Balance Dec. 31, 2010	\$ 2,983.78
Donations Deposited.	\$ 2,596.89
Interest	\$ 6.90
Transfers to General Fund	\$ (831.88)

Balance end of fiscal year \$ 4,755.69

COMPUTER FUND

Balance Dec. 31, 2010	\$ 539.54
Interest	\$ 0.19
Transfers to General Fund	\$ (499.98)

Balance end of fiscal year \$ 39.75

PATRON FEES

Balance Dec. 31, 2010	\$ 633.36
Patron Fees Deposited	\$ 487.00
Interest	\$ 1.50
Balance Dec. 31, 2011	\$ 1,121.86

COPIER

Balance Dec. 31, 2010	\$ 329.08
Copier Fees Deposited	\$ 368.50
Interest	\$ 0.68
Transfers to General Fund	\$ (377.66)
Balance Dec. 31, 2011	\$ 320.60

Balance, beginning of fiscal year \$ 1,355.23

INCOME

Town Appropriation	\$ 53,155.00
Transfer from Donations	\$ 831.88
Transfer from Computer Fund	\$ 499.98
Transfer from Copier Fees	\$ 377.66
Gift of Friends of the Library	\$ 250.00
N.H. State Grant	\$ 325.00
Sale of Books	\$ 20.00
Refunds	\$ 5.00
Reimbursements of Lost Materials	\$ 91.94
Interest	\$ 1.43
Total Income	\$ 55,557.89

Total Available Funds \$ 56,913.12

EXPENDITURES

Wages	\$ 34,209.47
FICA	\$ 2,119.02
Medicare	\$ 495.59
Audios	\$ 907.08
Books	\$ 5,841.99
Subscriptions	\$ 686.93
Videos	\$ 1,122.28
Computer Equipment	
Public Access	\$ 1,200.00
Staff	\$ 299.99
Software	\$ 349.97
Tech Support	\$ 699.00
Dues	\$ 460.00
Mileage	\$ 78.56
Miscellaneous	\$ 345.01
Postage and PO Box	\$ 232.00
Programs	\$ 1,109.45
Supplies	\$ 1,528.43
Utilities and Telephone	\$ 2,309.85

Total Expenditures \$ 53,994.62

Balance, End of Fiscal Year \$ 2,918.50

PARKS AND RECREATION

Submitted by James Gleich

The Parks and Recreation department had a busy year. During the winter months, the basement areas were reorganized and painted with the help of community volunteers and some folks from Lake Region Community Service Counsel. The winter also saw two successful vacation day camp programs, one in February and one in April. The after School program continued to provide quality care and programming to the children of Ashland. Our thanks go out to the Fireman's Association of Ashland for their continual support and operation of the Ice rink at the ball field.

April brought about some changes at the Booster Club. The Town's various inspectors (fire, plumbing, electrical, and building) came to inspect the Booster Club. As was noted by the Fire Chief, the last inspection to this building was conducted in 1989. Over the course of time, various aspects of the building needed attention. A punch list of "Life Safety Repairs" was assembled and the task of getting them corrected was started. The Director worked carefully with the existing building schedule and with the various contractors to orchestrate and facilitate the needed work. Over the course of the spring, fall, and early winter, all of the Life Safety Repairs were completed. Since these repairs were not budgeted for in the 2011 budget, the fees were taken directly from the Parks and Recreation operating budget. The most costly part of this project was the installation of a hood and fire suppression system for the kitchen. The funds for this project came from the money raised by the Ashland Booster Club Kitchen Renovation Committee. The committee raised approximately \$ 12,000. All of which was used in the completion of the kitchen portion of the repairs.

The Edward N. Doggett Campground opened for another wonderful season in May and remained open through Columbus Day weekend. The campground started just one shy of full capacity. It took some time, but the vacancy was filled by the start of the summer. The campground season went by very smoothly without anything out of the ordinary. During the strong wind storms and flooding that took place throughout the year, the campground faired very well. There were no trees lost and the roads held up to the deluge of rain. Presently the campground is at full capacity for the 2012 camping season.

The Edward N. Doggett Beach, Ashland Town Beach, operated very smoothly this past summer. The beach was open 11:00 - 4:00 daily with two lifeguards and one gatekeeper daily. The concession area was a big hit as always. Our thanks go out to the Ashland Public Works Department for their continued efforts installing and removing the aluminum wheelchair ramp and for their grounds keeping at the beach.

The L.W. Packard Ball field was very busy throughout the warmer months. Once again the Public Works Department did an excellent job mowing and maintaining

the fields this year. The new sidewalk plow with mowing deck provided the main cutting power on the fields. The entire Public Works Department chipped in with the mowing, trimming and general field care, thank you gentlemen. Athletic endeavors were abounding everywhere during the warmer weather. Pemi-Baker soccer, Babe Ruth Softball, Cal Ripkin Baseball, and the adult softball league kept the field well used.

The Ashland Summer Camp Program had a changing of the guards. After many years of great service to the program, Dianne Hill stepped down from the Head Counselor Position. Her energy, wisdom, and enthusiasm were greatly missed. We wish her the best of luck in all of her endeavors. Stepping into those vacant shoes was Dorie Craigie. She did a fine job over the summer with a reduced staff. Overall, the camp helped to provide a summer filled with fun for the 28 children that were with the program weekly over the six week program.

In August, the After School Program started right up with Nancy Nieves as the After School Program Assistant. With an average of 14 children in the program, there are plenty of opportunities for all of the children to get extra help on homework and activities throughout the school year.

November had seen a change in all of the programs for Ashland Parks and Recreation. The Board of Selectmen elected to raise the fees on all of the programs throughout the Parks and Recreation Department. The fee schedule is as follows starting January 1, 2012:

Program	2011 Fee	2012 Fee
Edward N. Doggett Campground	\$2,475.00 seasonal	\$2,700.00 seasonal
After School Program	\$30 (weekly) , \$8 (daily)	\$35 (weekly), \$9 (daily)
Summer Camp Program		
Residents	\$100 (weekly) \$15 (field trip)	\$125 (weekly), \$15 (field trip)
Non-resident	\$125 (Weekly), \$15 (field trip)	\$150 (weekly), \$15 (field trip)
Beach Passes		No beach pass fee

In addition to the above fee schedule, the Ashland Town Beach will be scheduled to have one lifeguard per day during the beach season. The Gatekeepers will not be present at the beach which includes the absence of the concession area for the 2012 beach season. One last change to the Parks and Recreation Department was made. The Parks and Recreation Director's position was reduced to part-time hours (20 hours) during the school year and full-time for approximately 10 weeks following the end of school in June to facilitate the Summer Camp Program.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Submitted by Director Timothy Paquette

I would like to start my first report as director of the Public Works Department by congratulating Mark Ober on his retirement and to thank him for his decades of services to the Town of Ashland. Mark spent countless hours keeping the roads maintained and safe for our community. I truly have large shoes to fill as I begin my career as your Public Works Director. I would personally like to thank Mark for his support and leadership that he has shown me over the years. His knowledge and dedication will be sorely missed.

2011 began with higher than average snowfall. The four members of the public works department logged over 700 hours of overtime between January and the end of April. Thanks to good personnel and well maintained equipment we made it through without incident

This year brought some changes to our department - we were renamed the Public Works Department and along with that duties were increased. We are now in charge of maintaining the ball park, the beach and Memorial Park area. The care and upkeep of these areas have been accomplished without issues due to the ability to use the new sidewalk plow with its mowing attachment and the availability of other mowing machines. This addition to our schedule is incorporated into our regular summer maintenance program.

The warrant article to purchase the new sidewalk plow was passed in March and we took delivery of the equipment in May. The price of the unit came in lower than anticipated and we were able to purchase a finish mower and broom as well as the plow, sander and snow blower that were included in the original purchase price; we were also able to come in under budget to the sum of \$8500. "THANK YOU TAXPAYERS"



This summer our budget allowed us to overlay sections of Sanborn Road, Owl Brook Road, River Street and all of Cross Road. I cannot stress enough the importance of having funds appropriated each year in order to maintain and upgrade our roads.

We began the 2011-2012 winter season with a nor'easter in October. This came one day after Mark retired [thanks for the going away present]. This was a heavy and slippery snow, but we made it through without any problems.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for the opportunity to continue to serve the town in my new position. I look forward to the challenges and I hope I can provide the level of service that the town has become accustomed to for the past 38 years.

In closing I would like to thank Paul, Patsy and Pat at the town office in helping with my transition into what I hope will be a long, productive career as your Public Works Department Director.

TRANSFER/RECYCLING CENTER

The transfer/recycling center saw little change in 2011 household trash and construction debris tonnage decreased significantly and revenue increased.

In 2011 we shipped out approximately 570 tons of trash; that is over a 30 ton decrease from last year. The construction debris was in the 225 ton range, which is a 75 ton drop from 2010. These numbers are great, **but**, the users can do better with our recycling.

The revenue from the transfer station saw a substantial increase this year. Revenue from items being dropped off and recycling receipts totaled \$46,195; an increase of \$9000 from 2010. Hauling and tipping fees for 2011 totaled \$78,397 which is a decrease of over \$10,000 from 2010. **Thanks to all you recyclers out there!**

Transfer station stickers for 2012 can be obtained at the town office or the center for \$2.00 per sticker.

Please remember recycling is mandatory and it is in place to lower the cost of running the facility, it is not intended to be an inconvenience to the consumer.

Over the years the town has received many compliments from state inspectors and other outside agencies in regards to our facility. We can thank Mark Ober for this as he put the same energy into the recycling program as he did in the Public Works Department. Unfortunately we will never get everyone to recycle 100%, but Mark was determined to try and make this happen. His dedication to the program has saved the taxpayers thousands of dollars over the year and I would like to thank him for everything he has done.

ASHLAND BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Submitted by Co-Chair Steve Felton, Co-Chair David Ruell, Secretary Christine Austin, Dan Golden, Miriam Brown, Sandra Coleman, Ingrid Heidenreich, Fran Newton, Mark Scarano, Kevin Stack (alternate/school), Jeanette Stewart (alternate/select board)

The members of the Ashland budget committee are pleased to be able to present a brief recap of our activities for 2011 along with a look ahead.

We would first like to thank the many people involved in Ashland government from the Town, School and Utilities as well as the public in helping to support our efforts, as we took a more comprehensive approach in trying to accomplish our responsibility to the town. Our responsibility includes:

- Review anticipated revenue, estimated costs and services performed.
- Prepare the budget recommendations.
- Conduct public hearings.
- Forward a final budget and default budget to the town clerk and appropriate town officials along with recommendations on any warrant articles. All registered voters then have final approval.

This year, as a committee, we decided to conduct meetings throughout the year with all town departments, utilities and the school. This helps us to better understand the financial needs and use of funds, and to be as prepared as possible in identifying the short and long term financial needs of the town. Through this process we are able to make the best possible budget recommendations to the residents of Ashland.

We have conducted over 20 public meetings since April and met with most departments at least 2 times to review financials and better understand their needs and use of funds. We would like to also thank the residents that were able to attend these meetings. The more informed Ashland residents are about our community finances, the better decisions we will be able to make. This will help ensure our town moves in the direction that we as residents and taxpayers intend.

In an effort to help provide information to the residents that cannot attend meetings, because of understandably busy schedules, we have tried to add more detail to our meeting minutes. We also post on the town website, our minutes, meeting schedules, and budget work sheet data as presented from the departments as well as other pertinent information. We will also be posting the audio versions of all meetings to allow for review by any member of the town.

Some of the challenges and opportunities we as a town will need to deal with moving forward include:

- Finding ways to address our need to build capital reserve funds for the many infrastructure needs the town will have in the very near future.
- Keep our tax rates stable for the taxpayers as we face reduced state and federal funding.
- Find ways to attract business, build property values, and take advantage of any grant opportunities to allow for increased revenue.

The Ashland Budget Committee will continue to do its part in helping to keep Ashland the community we all envision.

ASHLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT
Submitted by Chief Anthony L. Randall

The past year for the Ashland Police Department has seen the appointment of Anthony L. Randall as the Chief after serving out a two year elected term. We had Officer Patrick Brady graduate from the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Academy in April and become an integral part of the Department. We had Taketoshi Okuno resign his part time position at the Department to take a job with the Federal Government in Law Enforcement. The Department brought back Howard Beaudry, a former officer at the department to help out with administrative duties in the office for two days a week in order to better serve the citizens of Ashland and help with the overwhelming amounts of paperwork generated in police work. As this year moves on we will be filling the part time vacancy left by Mr. Okuno.

The Department currently consists of the following individuals: Chief Anthony Randall, Lieutenant Don Marren, Sergeant Daniel Hamilton, Officer Bruce Cote, Officer Patrick Brady, Part time Officer Seth Learned,

administrative assistants Howard Beaudry and Jamie Lyford.

The Department would like to thank the taxpayers and residents of Ashland for the new cruiser and SUV. The SUV will allow us to better serve the public during the winter months allowing us to get to places that have been virtually impossible to get to during storm events. Reliable equipment is necessary when it comes to life safety



issues.

The Department is continually training to make us better prepared for incidents that may occur in an effort to protect and serve the public. I know that on the surface it appears that Ashland is a quiet little town but in reality the same crime that happens in the bigger cities also occurs here, it is just not as frequent. This is really brought to light by the murder above the laundromat and the take down of a methamphetamine production site at a residence on West Street.

I urge the residents in Town, when they see suspicious activity to let the Police know as quickly as possible. The safety and well-being of the Town requires a joint effort between the public and the Police.

The goal of the department is to show a continued police presence in an effort to keep crime-related events to a minimum.

I would like to thank the residents, businesses, all Ashland Departments, surrounding town departments and the personnel at the Ashland Police Department for their support and hard work.

2011 POLICE ACTIVITY

<u>***Service Calls</u>	# of calls	<u>Criminal Activity</u>	# of calls	<u>Motor Vehicle Activity</u>	# of calls
Aid to public	3,490	Adult Arrest	92	Summons Issued	59
Aid to Fire/Ambulance	275	Warrant Service	30	Warnings Issued	260
Aid to other Law Enforcement	163	Sexual Assaults	12	DWI	6
Aid to other Town Agency	69	Interference with Custody	2	Motor Vehicle Accidents	31
Civil Standby	4	Assault	20	Abandoning a Vehicle	6
Alarm	13	Criminal Threatening	5	Transporting Alcohol	1
911 Hang up calls	82	Stalking	2	Assist Motorist	28
Missing Persons	20	Arson	0	Parking Tickets Issued	87
Animal Complaints	4	Attempted Burglary/Burglary	11	Driving After Suspension	8
School Crossing	37	Theft	71		
Business/Door Checks	340	Theft of Motor Vehicle	5		
REDDI Calls	50	Underage Alcohol Violation	12		
Attempted Suicide/Suicide	7	Receiving Stolen Property	7		
Lost/Property	3	Criminal Mischief/Vandalism	25		
Check the Welfare	18	Illegal Drugs	10		
Suspicious Activity	15	Computer Crimes	6		
Police Information	123	Felon in Possession of Weapon	0		
Welfare Checks	88	Carrying Handgun without Permit	1		
Pistol Permits Issued	15	Issuing Bad Checks	3		
	34	Public Nuisance/ Disorderly Conduct	16		
		Protective Custody-Intoxication	2		
<u>Juvenile Cases</u>		Domestic Violence	43		
Truants	7	Harrassment	17		
Juvenile Petitions	15	Registered Sex Offenders	10		
Unruly Juvenile	6				

*** Service Calls initiated by officer not included

ASHLAND FOURTH OF JULY
Submitted by Chairman Patty Heinz

I would like to thank all the volunteers that made the Fourth of July Celebration a great success; the Public Works Department for helping set up the field, those that helped with the cleanup after the event including Glenn Dion, Dan Uhlman, Lynne Uhlman, Lisa Ash, Rick Ash and others.

Safety is always a major concern during this event and is well taken care of by Police Chief Randall and Fire Chief Heath and the members of their departments. The safety of our visitors makes for a pleasant time for all.

The finances are handled by Kathy Jaquith along with a group of people who participated in raising money for the celebration. The cost of the celebration runs between \$16,000 and \$20,000.

We would like to recognize the following for their dedicated services - Alex Ray, Jason Lyons, the Staff at Fosters, Jamie and the chefs who took care of the food tent; the Coca-Cola Company and Paper Products who donate Coke products and paper products; Connie Ross, Phyliss Reitsma and Mary Ruell for helping with the Barbecue and Pancake Breakfast; Caroline Gosse and family and the volunteers who sell pins and collect donations to offset the cost of the fireworks.

Also, recognizing Alice Stephens for selling t-shirts; Field Manager Glenn Dion who helps the vendors making sure that things run smoothly; Hallie Pomeroy and Suzanne Mills for organizing the parade; Jim Gleich who is in charge of the entertainment. A special thanks goes to Charlie St. Clair for spending time with the committee to ensure a safe fireworks display.

The committee is underway with the 2012 celebration and a meeting will be held on February 23 at the Common Man in Ashland. We invite all who are interested in organizing a great celebration.

The 2012 celebration will start on Tuesday July 3 at about 4:00 PM with the fireworks at dusk. The Pancake Breakfast will be Wednesday July 4 with the parade starting at 10:00 AM.

ASHLAND JULY 4TH COMMITTEE
FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2011

Balance on hand, January 1, 2011	\$ 20,484.37
Interest for the year	\$ 6.07
	\$ 20,490.44

Income

Donations	\$ 2,335.00	
Field Collection	\$ 1,169.00	
50/50 Raffle	\$ 1,437.00	
Canister Donations	\$ 1,382.00	
Button Sales	\$ 1,283.00	
Tee Shirt Sales	\$ 1,305.00	
Pancake Breakfast	\$ 3,134.00	
BBQ and Food Booth	\$ 1,440.00	
Vendors	\$ 2,650.00	
Parking	\$ 670.00	
Total Income		\$ 16,805.00

Expenditures

Fireworks - Atlas Pyro Vision	\$ 10,250.00	
Parade - 4 units	\$ 1,900.00	
Awards - Hasty Awards	\$ 179.86	
Entertainment - 2 units	\$ 675.00	
Advertising - Salmon Press	\$ 57.00	
Toilets - Maple Ridge Septic	\$ 1,785.00	
Buttons - Venture Print	\$ 650.00	
Tee Shirts - Lori Ford	\$ 1,413.00	
Food Costs - Great American	\$ 1,200.00	
Postage - Ashland Postmaster	\$ 44.00	
Total Expenditures		\$ (18,153.86)

Balance on Hand, December 31, 2011	\$ 19,141.58
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ASHLAND MEMORIAL PARK

Submitted by Trustees Stephen Jaquith, Phil Preston, Ernie Hutter

We continue to have a very nice park in the center of town to enjoy thanks to Ali-Di Properties and the Ashland Public Works Department for their services of cleaning, mowing and trimming throughout the year. We would also like to thank the Garden Club for the flower plantings and Mr. Brad Wolff and the middle school students for the spring river clean-up in May.

There have been a few changes to the park also thanks to the staff - (1) one set of stairs and walkway were removed that were in disrepair; (2) low hanging and dead limbs were removed around the area; and (3) the bridge was scraped and painted. Thanks go to Ernie Hutter, Phil Preston, Stephen and Kathy Jaquith.

We have had a few organizations use the Park - the Garden Club Annual Plant Sale, the Town Wide Yard Sale and Christmas Night in Ashland this year. We thank the Police and Electric Departments for their cooperation.

We are planning some work projects in the spring of 2012 and if anyone would like to donate a memorial gift to the Park it would be used to help maintain this beautiful. Donations may be sent to PO Box 320 - Ashland, NH 03217.

A special thanks to our Treasurer Mary Ruell

ASHLAND MEMORIAL PARK
Financial Report
January 1 to December 31, 2011

Opening Balance, January 1, 2011		\$247.93
Income		
Ashland Beautification Committee	\$ 242.37	
Transfer from Town Trustees	\$3,500.00	
Community Council of Ashland, Town Wide Yard Sale	95.00	
Interest on the account for 2011	.71	
	Total Income	\$3,838.08
	Total Available	\$4,086.01
 Expenditures		
Maintenance (Ali-Di Properties)		
Spring Clean-up	\$390.00	
Summer Trim	\$380.00	
Mulch	\$600.00	
Fall Clean-up	\$540.00	
Total Maintenance		\$1,910.00
P.O. Box 320		\$ 40.00
	Total Expenditures	\$1,950.00
Balance, Meredith Village Savings Bank, December 31, 2011		\$2,136.01

ASHLAND FIRE RESCUE
Submitted by Chief Stephen L. Heath

I would like to begin this year's report by recognizing former Chief Bradley Ober and Deputy Chief Charles Fouts, who resigned their positions this year. Brad joined the department in 1988, and served as Chief from May 2009 through January 21, 2011, when he resigned to become Fire Chief for the Tilton-Northfield Fire District. Charlie, who joined the department in 1986, and served as Deputy Chief since 2004, stepped down at the end of July due to increase responsibilities at his full time job. Both Brad and Charlie have been instrumental in establishing and maintaining the high standards of training and performance that have become the hallmark of the department. Fortunately, both men have stayed with the department as firefighters, and continue to serve, allowing us to benefit from their wealth of experience.

We are very fortunate to have our current station. It has served us well and has been a source of pride for both the community and the department. In addition to serving as the base of operations for the fire department and housing of apparatus and equipment, it has been designated as the town's emergency operations center. The station was built in 1976, thus it is no surprise that a number of areas that need attention have been identified. Several projects have been completed during the past year. The columns between the apparatus doors have been repaired, new door openers and photo sensors were installed on the overhead doors on the main apparatus floor, and the emergency generator has been installed. Two projects funded by the firefighter's association were also completed. An air compressor capable of refilling air bottles and a gear extractor used for cleaning contaminated protective clothing were placed in service. I have requested funds in this year's budget to allow us to begin replacing the modine heaters on the apparatus floor, complete the lighting project, and install photo sensors on the overhead doors on the lower apparatus floor. Another area of concern is the roof. Last repaired in 1987, the roof has developed several leaks. This fall the roof was examined by two different vendors to determine what needed to be done to stop the leaks. It was determined that the roof over the apparatus floor and the meeting room area were in bad shape. One vendor conducted core tests which revealed that the insulation over the meeting room/office area is completely saturated. It was also noted that there is a deflection in the center of the apparatus floor roof which causes "ponding" of water, instead of allowing the water to drain. It has also been recommended that we have the roof examined by a structural engineer to confirm that the structure is sound and that the sagging is not a structural issue. The roof is clearly a priority; however there are other needs that will require attention in the future, such as the paving of the driveway, exterior door replacement and other issues identified in the energy audit.

As stated in the 2010 Annual Report given by Chief Ober, the Fire Department had suffered from a series of default budgets which prevented the replacement of worn out equipment and postponed the required equipment testing programs. The 2011 budget allowed us to begin correcting the deficiencies. We were able to reestablish our testing program, completing the testing of SCBA, apparatus pumps, the aerial ladder and ground ladders. We were also able to replace our rescue ropes, and purchase needed hardware to greatly improve our operational capabilities at high angle rescue and water rescue incidents. My 2012 budget request for the equipment line reflects our efforts to continue acquiring equipment that will allow us to safely meet our operational needs.

This has been a very busy year with the department responding to 443 emergency calls. There were 243 medical calls, 107 fire calls, 74 motor vehicle accidents, 1 standby for police, and 18 service calls, logging over 1900 response hours. We also logged nearly 1000 hours of training. We conducted two fire training sessions and one medical training session each month. In addition, several members participated in outside agency training, including the Level 1 Firefighter program, ICS 300 and 400 training, swift water rescue training, EMT recertification programs, and live burn exercises conducted in Ashland and other local departments. Firefighter/EMT Tim Smith and Explorer Mike Lembo are to be congratulated for successful completion of the Firefighter Level I course. Firefighter Eric Potter is currently taking the Level 1 course and recently hired Firefighter Dale Lary is about to begin an EMT-Basic course.

In total, the members of this department have invested nearly 3500 hours this year, which by the way does not include time spent by officers in completing administrative duties. This may not seem impressive, but when I consider that this is in addition to maintaining fulltime jobs and raising families, I am in awe of their dedication and commitment to serving the members of this community. In reflecting on my first year as Chief, I feel that we have accomplished a number of our goals, and realize that there are numerous issues that still need to be dealt with. I am truly grateful for the privilege of leading this group of exceptional firefighters.

ASHLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 2011

Submitted by David Ruell, President

The Ashland Historical Society's major effort of the year was the restoration of the Squam River Covered Bridge, whose roof was deteriorating and thereby threatening the integrity of the structure. A previous warrant article to have the town pay for the entire cost of replacing the roof was defeated at the polls, so a new strategy was needed. The Sarah S. Macmillan Foundation made a donation of \$10,000 to the Historical Society to hold in a separate account for the project. A warrant article for the 2011 town meeting called for \$45,000 for the roof, \$25,000 to be raised by taxes, and \$20,000 to be raised privately. The Society wanted to participate, but did not want to seriously deplete the Covered Bridge Fund, as we are aware that the Covered Bridge will require additional funds in the future. So the Society's Board decided to raise the remaining \$10,000 still needed, by offering to match all donations up to \$5000 from the Covered Bridge Fund. To encourage the voters to approve the warrant article and to announce the matching donation proposal, we printed and mailed a flyer to all Ashland postal addresses in the first week of March. The vote on the warrant article at the March town election was 278 yeas to 128 nays. We will never know how many voters were swayed by the mailer and the Society's offer to raise part of the funds, but we think they made a difference. After the vote, we sent out a press release to more generally announce our fundraising campaign and began to think about other ways of raising the money. That proved unnecessary, as we were pleasantly surprised by the rapid and generous response to our two announcements. By April 19, we had met the goal of \$5000 in donations, thanks in large part of five large gifts from neighboring businesses, individuals, and families, three gifts of \$1000 each and two of \$500 each. In the end, we received 22 donations, totaling \$5480. The excess became part of the Covered Bridge Fund, where it will be ready for the future needs of the bridge. We turned over the \$20,000 to the town in two payments, one for the purchase of the materials, the other to help pay the contractor, Arnold Graton. The Squam River Covered Bridge now has a new roof and is ready to face the weather for many years to come.

The Whipple House required some maintenance this year, the repair of a roof leak, painting, window puttying, and tree trimming, as well as the removal of skunks. The summer exhibit on the Squam River Covered Bridge included numerous photographs from local photographers as well as notecards, postcards, calendars, advertisements, and other memorabilia showing the bridge. We have been given items for the collection, notably an oil painting - a portrait of Harry Spaulding of the Ashland Knitting Company, and two large Ashland signs.

The Archives collection has also grown by several additions, notably high school yearbooks donated by the Town Library and a former teacher. We added to our collection of Ashland newspaper items, which now covers 1848 through 1926.

The Railroad Station Museum benefited from the efforts of Ashland School students. They cleaned and refinished the platform. They also began building a kiosk which will provide information to visitors when the museum is not open. The posts of the kiosk have already been erected and the rest is now being built at the school. We have begun painting the exterior of the Railroad Station, a project that may take some years to complete. We completed the project of framing our display pictures with a map of the Boston & Maine Railroad system in its heyday. We were also given a framed caricature of C. W. Robie of New Hampton, an important figure in the railway express business. The Railroad Station welcomed the track maintenance car excursion in June, nine fall foliage trains and Executive Councilor Ray Burton's annual October train ride.

The Pauline E. Glidden Toy Museum's main display this year was a Fourth of July doll parade, using the museum's collection of doll carriages and 1930's Independence Day decorations. A new vinyl fence replaced the deteriorating wooden fence in the front yard. The glass wall was removed in the schoolroom, and new display shelves were installed. The last floor was repainted. The Young Ladies Tea had to be cancelled, but the Appraisal Day was quite successful.

Our outside exhibits use historic photographs that are enlarged and laminated. This year's four exhibits at the Utility Office featured Ashland's War Memorials, the Squam River Covered Bridge, the Ashland Garden Club, and the Squam Lake House Fire of 1934. The War Memorials and Garden Club photos also helped to illustrate two programs. The Covered Bridge photos became part of the exhibit at the Whipple House, and were then loaned to the Ashland school. On Christmas Night in Ashland, we exhibited photos from our 2010 Lost Ashland exhibits.

The Society sponsored six programs on state and local history, all free to the public. Three were New Hampshire Humanities Council programs, on cows in New Hampshire, the Hutchinson Family Singers, and the native peoples of Ashland and the Pemigewasset River valley. Two staff members of the White Mountain National Forest presented a program on the history of the National Forest. Two local historical programs covered the histories of the Ashland Garden Club and of the town's war memorials.

Outside of the Covered Bridge appeals, our fundraising was limited to the annual membership and business sponsorship drive in the spring, sales of merchandise at our museums and on the Fourth of July, and our annual appeal to members in the fall. We appreciate all the donations that we received.

We are grateful to all who gave their time, money and effort to help the Society with its museums, exhibits, programs and projects in 2011.

ASHLAND PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board was established in 1950; currently the membership of the board consists of four (4) members at large [appointed by the Board of Selectmen] and a representative from the Board of Selectmen. Three alternate members may also be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Current members of the Planning Board are Susan MacLeod, Jennifer Ogden, Robert Boyle, Gordon McCormack Jr., and Selectmen Jeanette I. Stewart. Alternate members are Anthony Randall and Paul Branscombe.

The major ongoing 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.

A public hearing was held in 2011 to hear testimony regarding the following draft chapters of the Master Plan – Land Use, Transportation and Demographics and Housing. The chapters were reviewed, amended and adopted by the Planning Board on July 6, 2011.

In addition, the Board is in charge of hearing proposals for subdivisions, site plans, and boundary line adjustments. 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.

In 2011, the Board conditionally approved 1 cluster subdivision and 4 lot line adjustments (with 1 going to the ZBA). In accordance with the Site Plan Regulations, the Board held 12 informational hearings [Preliminary Conceptual Consultations] for proposed new tenant's businesses and home occupations to review information, advise and determine whether a site plan was required.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Town of Ashland Zoning Ordinance was adopted in 1985; therefore creating the need for a Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Board consists of five (5) regular members and may have up to three (3) alternate members whom are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. In 2011 the Board has been short one full voting member and two alternates. The members are Elaine Allard [2013]; Michelle Fistek [2013]; Don Latulippe [2014]; Robert Boyle [2012] and Alternate Patricia Tucker [2012].

**The following is an excerpt from the OEP Zoning Board Manual -*

Four groups are involved with the formulation and administration of a zoning ordinance and map: the planning board, the local legislative body, the administrative officer, and the board of adjustment.

1. **Planning Board** - primary responsibility for proposing the initial zoning ordinance and the zoning map, recommending amendments, holding public hearings on its own and petitioning amendments.
2. **Local Legislative Body** - city council or town meeting - adopts the original ordinance and approves any changes that are proposed.
3. **Administrative Officer** - local official, zoning administrator, building inspector or board of selectmen who administers and enforces the ordinance and map as written.
4. **Board of Adjustment** - hears appeals from any order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official and administers special provisions in the ordinance dealing with variances and special exceptions.

Each of these groups can act only within the authority granted it by the enabling legislation: RSA's 672-678. The planning board cannot adopt or enforce the zoning ordinance. The local legislative body must follow statutory procedures in enacting the ordinance. The administrative official must apply the ordinance as it is written and cannot waive any provisions. The board of adjustment may grant variances, where justified, but cannot amend the zoning ordinance and map. Zoning ordinances involve more unusual conditions and extenuating circumstances than other land use regulations. Boards of adjustment are established to provide for the satisfactory resolution of many of these situations without burdening the Courts.

The board of adjustment has the authority to act in four separate and distinct categories:

- Appeal from Administrative Decision;
- Approval of Special Exception;
- Grant of Variance; and
- Grants of Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirement.

It should be noted that the board of adjustment does not have authority over decisions of the board of selectmen or enforcement official on whether or not to enforce the ordinance. The board does have the authority to hear administrative appeals if it is alleged that there was an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the official. The board of adjustment also has the authority to hear administrative appeals of decisions made by the planning board, which are based on their interpretation of the zoning ordinance.

2011 Cases

2011-01	Russell Cross	Variance	Granted
2011-02	Douglas and Pam Ober	Variance	Granted
2011-03	Mark and Bev Ober	Variance	Granted
2011-04	Jeremiah Sargent	Variance	Granted
2011-05	Pemi Habitat for Humanity	Variance	Granted
2011-06	Joseph and Heather Reimann	Variance	Granted
2011-07	Klaus and Karin Walzel	Variance	Granted

TOWN WELFARE
Submitted by Robert B. Hicks

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

Town welfare dollars for 2011 continue a trend upward mainly due to unaffordable housing and a lack of area shelters, the state welfare system cutting funds, narrowing guidelines and the extended certification process used to approve recipients for benefits such as Social Security, disability, medicare, food stamps and others. Many people who are working or receive state benefits cannot find housing they can afford.

Employment or lack of employment is the biggest problem which results in dozens of our citizens having to receive emergency assistance for basic needs such as housing, fuel, electric, medication, and food. Housing continues to be the greatest need.

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 direct clients to the proper agency to provide for long term needs.

Our community of two thousand is fortunate to have churches who find the funds to assist those in need; we have a food pantry and many private citizens (very special people) who care for our neighbors. I find this position to be a very rewarding task and wish to acknowledge the assistance that this department is given by Claire Hicks.

ASHLAND BUILDING INSPECTOR AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

Submitted by Robert B. Hicks

Maintaining good safe construction 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. Activity this year included permits for four new homes, with many additions and other building improvements.

Applications for permits can also be obtained during regular Town Office hours, five days a week, 8 AM to 4 PM. The Building Regulations and applications can also be found on the town web site www.ashland.nh.gov [just go to search box]. Arrangements can be made for on site meetings. Inspections are made with a reasonable appointed time.

2011 has been a very active year for Ashland Building, 148 permits have been issued since January 1st, 2011 compared to 152 in 2010.

Breakdown of permits issued is as follows:

Building	51
Electrical	34
Plumbing	20
Heating	23
Driveway	09
Sign	02
Demolition	09

Inspections and site planning have increased this year. The department has received many inquires for building regulations and information regarding new business and zoning. We use 2009 International Building Code, along with the Ashland Building Regulations and the Zoning Ordinance.

Our goal is to provide help for Ashland's residents with their building needs and to administer the regulations as fair and promptly as possible. Good building planning helps our town provide safe housing, growth for residential homes, and the right kind of new business opportunities for our community.

ASHLAND HISTORIC COMMISSION 2011

Ashland for many years has provided for the preservation of our historic, abandoned cemeteries, with clean up and minor repairs at seven locations which are prepared for Memorial Day visitors. They are one of our greatest historic assets.

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

The Whipple House building remains in very good condition, due to the efforts of the Ashland Historical Society.

ASHLAND WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT Commissioners Robert Boyle, Alan Cilley, John C. Hughes

The water and sewer departments have had a very busy year with two (2) new commissioners coming on board and bringing them up to speed with all the pertinent information that they needed to know.

Preparing to move the septic receiving station has been a time consuming and on going project. We have found the equipment that would best fit our needs and we have added a piece of equipment to keep out anything thrown into the system such as coffee cups, rags and pieces of wood. We still have to get permission from the state to build the system and meet the states requirements. A building would need to be erected to house this equipment and warmer weather will be necessary to complete this job.

We will be preparing a letter to the State to request how the sodium and chloride problem is being addressed.

2011

**VITAL
STATISTICS**

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**OUTSIDE
AGENCIES**

Pemi-Baker Community Health

2011 Annual Report

Pemi-Baker Community Health, formally known as Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice continues to provide quality home health care, end-of life home hospice care, physical and occupational therapy, and preventive wellness and fitness opportunities, in the home and at its facility at Boulder Point in Plymouth.

Over this past year, our leaders have focused on reviewing and implementing a newly defined mission to improve the health and wellbeing of the community by providing excellence in health care services through outreach, in-home and facility-based programming.

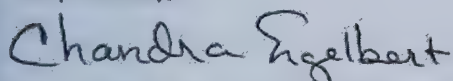
- **Pemi-Baker Home Health** – At-home care for patients discharged from the hospital after surgery, illness, or injury or those with new or exacerbations for chronic illnesses. Many medical services that were once only available in a hospital or rehabilitation facility are now safely and effectively administered by expert staff in the home setting. High tech patients, the frail or elderly as well as new mothers and their babies.
- **Pemi-Baker Hospice** – Choosing hospice doesn't mean choosing death, it means choosing to live life to the fullest. It is a unique and special philosophy of care designed to provide comfort and support for those facing life-limiting illness that no longer responds to cure-oriented treatment.
- **Pemi-Baker Rehab Therapies** – The Physical & Occupational Therapists work to reduce physical limitations and to teach exercises that help in the recovery from surgery or injury.
- **Pemi-Baker Aquatic & Fitness** – Memberships to aquatic exercise programs and use of the pool and exercise equipment with skilled staff to reach individualized goals.

Aquatic Therapy in our 90 degree pool is unique to Pemi-Baker Rehab Therapies and allows you to strengthen more quickly with less impact on your body following an injury or surgery. The physical properties of water assist with increasing energy, strength, and flexibility while releasing stress and tension. Memberships to this unique opportunity are available to our communities.

Unless you have had the opportunity to utilize our services, you may not have heard about this best kept secret so we invite you to reach out for more information and to visit with us. We are known to be friendly and we are in the helping business. We are happy to be part of the community and touching lives: yours, your family's, your neighbor's with a customer oriented, client centered approach in a partnership to improve health and lives.

In the coming year, we endeavor to partner with other area organizations whose mission we share. We always welcome ideas and suggestions and are grateful for the support from our community members and the towns we serve.

Respectfully,



Chandra Engelbert, RN, BSN, MBA
Executive Director

2011 ANNUAL REPORT
PEMIGEWASSET RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2011 saw many changes in the way the New Hampshire has chosen to manage the water resources of the state. Both lakes and rivers are affected. Some background; sixty percent of the water quality impairments in NH are caused by storm water runoff which brings with it pathogens, pesticides, algae producing nutrients. In 2008, revisions to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act RSA 483B, which were designed to mitigate these threats, were approved by the legislature. These changes were the result of a year-long effort by a Water Quality Study Commission whose membership represented a wide range of interests. The commission reviewed the threats to water quality and received extensive input from its members as well as specific recommendations by the scientific community.

Unfortunately key elements of the revised CSPA (renamed the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act or SWQPA) were significantly weakened in the 2011 session of the legislature. The minimum requirements for shoreland buffers, which are the last, best filter of runoff before it reaches our lakes and rivers, have been reduced by 50%. CSPA has been further weakened by redefinition of what is considered “unaltered” vegetation and major concessions have been made on how much of our shoreland can be made impervious. These changes will in time show up in deteriorating water quality. In addition, two key positions were lost in the NH Department of Environmental Services. Those two positions kept hundreds of volunteers like us supplied, motivated, and actively engaged in NH’s water resource protection. We have yet to determine how these changes will impact what we do. All lake associations and advisory committees such as PRLAC will be looking at ways we can maintain the effectiveness of our volunteer effort.

The Lakes Region Planning Commission continues to provide critical administrative and technical assistance to PRLAC. LRPC also assists in managing our funds. Our mission is to do those things necessary to maintain the Pemi’s Class B water quality status and preserve those characteristics identified as critical to the resource. Our ongoing tasks continue to include water quality testing at nine sites from April to mid-September – on site permit application reviews – and outreach programs where appropriate.

The major project for 2012 is to complete an update of our 2001 Management Plan. A public opinion survey has already been completed and some preliminary work has been done on the revision. The update will outline changes to regulations and identify threats to water quality over the next decade, and offer possible solutions. The project is funded by a 604(b) Water Quality Planning grant. You can use our website <http://www.lakesrpc.org/PRLAC/> to follow our progress and stay up to date on PRLAC’s activities.

PRLAC continues to enjoy financial support from 90% of the Pemi Corridor towns – Thornton to Hill that we work with. Thank you for your continued support.

Max Stamp
PRLAC Chair

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FOR TOWN ANNUAL REPORTS ASHLAND LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION 2010 – 2011 (FY11)

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 in the past fiscal year are as follows:

LOCAL SERVICES:

- Coordinated preparation of the town's Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) with local officials.
- Continued to assist the town with an update of the town Master Plan.
- A Phase I Assessment was completed for the Packard Facility. This work was undertaken under the Lakes Region Brownfields program. A Phase II report is expected to be completed in the future.
- Presented information on the Lakes Region Scenic Byway initiative to the board of selectmen.
- Responded daily to requests for land use, transportation, environmental, and other information and guidance.
- Prepared master plans, hazard mitigation 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.
- Provided copies of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulations to the town at considerable savings.

EDUCATION

- Organized and hosted three public Municipal Law Lectures, in cooperation with the NH Local Government Center: 1) Cell Towers: Managing the Approval Process to Protect Municipal Interests and Comply with Federal Law; 2) Conflict of Interest, Disqualification and the Local Land Use Board Decision-Making Process; 3) Administrative Decisions in Planning and Zoning: How They're Made, How They're Appealed.
- Hosted a Housing Diversity Workshop on May 5 in Laconia that addressed the value of locally diverse housing stock and complemented the findings published in the *Lakes Region Housing Needs Assessment: June 2010*.

- Attended 2011 Telecommunications Summit and the NH Best Management Practices planning meeting to begin formulating next steps and working with Regional Stakeholder Groups.
- Represented the region at the Local Energy Solutions Conference, hosted by Clean Air-Cool Planet and the Local Energy Committee Working Group, in Concord. The energy Technical Assistance Program (ETAP) was officially launched at the conference.

REGIONAL SERVICES

- Contributed to the preparation of the award winning Innovative Land Use (ILU) Guidance resource document and ILU Mapper.
- Released the 2011 Development Trends Report, which shows residential, commercial, and industrial permit activity on an annual basis.
- LRPC received the 2011 Planning Project of the Year Award from the NH Planners Association for the development and launch of the Winnepesaukee Gateway (WinniGateway). WinniGateway is the culmination of efforts that led to the successful completion of the first phase of the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Management Plan, which continues with the Center Harbor Bay subwatershed management plan.
- Prepared testimony on behalf of the NH Association of Regional Commissions (NHARC) in support of effective criteria in the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act (CSPA).
- Met with the New Economy Subcommittee to strategize potential options to enhance local broadband opportunities. Completed a satellite dish survey throughout the Lakes Region.
- Provided a summary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Community Facilities Grant program available to eligible communities in the Lakes Region.
- Modified and improved Community Facility maps for the regional towns and posted them to LRPC's website.
- Hosted a statewide meeting of the Regional Planning Commission (RPC)/Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) staff to discuss the process for Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) updates, Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) updates, and other project issues.
- Hosted an Annual Meeting that featured Mary Collins, Author of *American Idle: A Journey Through Our Sedentary Culture*. Awarded local personages and organizations for their contributions to the Lakes Region.
- Convened six Commission meetings and facilitated discussion on: The NH Legislature's Groundwater Commission: The Role of Municipalities in Regulating Groundwater Withdrawals; Public Exchange on Ground Water; Brownfields and How the Lakes Region Brownfields Program can Facilitate Community Redevelopment in the Lakes Region; The Federal Perspective; NH State Brownfields Program; The Lakes Region Brownfields Program; Draft Region 3 Coordinated Transit Plan; The Northern Pass; The Energy Technical Assistance and Planning (ETAP) Program: Helping NH Communities Save Energy and Money; Economic Outlook for the U.S., New Hampshire and the Region; Current Regional Development Challenges and Opportunities; Everything You Need to Know About State and Federal Highway Aid Programs; Lakes Region 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Collaborated with the eight other regional planning commissions to finalize an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on a proposed NH Sustainable Communities Initiative.
- Represented the region on the NH Association of Regional Planning Commissions.

- Maintain and host LRPC's website, www.lakesrpc.org, which features extensive information for local officials and the general public.
- An online survey developed by the NH Division of Historical Resources (DHR) was distributed to LRPC Commissioners as part of a statewide effort to assess needed services.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

- 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.
- Continue to organize and coordinate two annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections a year, involving 24 member communities. Requested proposals from vendors for collection, hauling, and disposal services.
- Received funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) to publish copies of the Alternative to Household Hazardous Waste brochure.

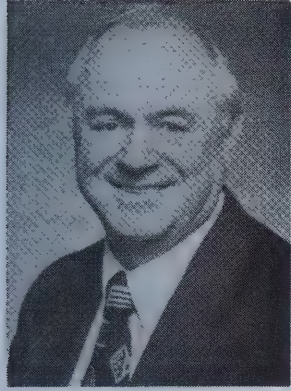
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Continue to coordinate with area economic development groups including Belknap County Economic Development Council (BCEDC), Grafton County Economic Development Council (BCEDC), Franklin Business and Industrial Development Corporation (FBDIC), and the Wentworth Economic Development Council (WEDCO) in pursuit of workforce development and wealth creation opportunities for the region.
- Submitted a proposal to the U.S. Economic Development Administration to update the Lakes Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and to explore the level of regional interest to create an economic development district.
- Worked with regional energy leaders to facilitate a meeting of the Lakes Region Energy Alliance to build capacity to identify economic development opportunities related to energy.
- Convened meetings of the Lakes Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee regarding broadband, workforce development, and entrepreneurship.
- Completed an expanded service area map for the Lakes Region United Way training activities and website posting showing communities served.
- Continue to oversee the Lakes Region Brownfield's Program, which has identified and prioritized several sites in the region that need environmental assessments as a condition of redevelopment opportunities. Hired an environmental consulting firm to conduct several Phase 1 and Phase 2 assessments, some of which have led to community inspired clean-up grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Submitted an application to EPA for additional assessment funding to aid local economic development and revitalization efforts.
- Continue to provide program management and guidance for the Lakes Region Brownfields program.

TRANSPORTATION

- Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in the regional transportation planning and project development
- Submitted the Lakes Region Transportation Improvement Program to the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT) for consideration in the state's Ten Year Plan. Projects were developed through the Lakes Region TAC and approved by the LRPC Commissioners.

- Conducted over 150 traffic and turning movement counts around the region.
- Submitted an application to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) to develop a Scenic Byway around Lake Winnepesaukee.
- Initiated the development of a Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the Region.
- Supported efforts of the Carroll County Regional Coordinating Council (RCC) to provide transportation services for those most in need, including encouraging expansion of the services being provided by the Community Action Program's Blue Loon.
- Reviewed and commented on the Mid-State RCC grant application to the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT) to support the expanded volunteer driver programs for match support submitted to the United Way programs. Provided letters of support to continue to provide assistance to the Mid-State RCC and Transport Central.



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Executive Councilor
District One

Report to the People of District One Ray Burton, Executive Councilor, District One

The Governor and Council have had a busy year since being sworn in to office on January 6, 2011. We meet approximately every two weeks to dispose of official business brought to us from the Governor's Office and the Departments of NH State Government.

The Governors Advisory Commission in Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) submitted our recommendations for the 10 year transportation plans for air, rail, highway and other public transportation to Governor Lynch on December 15, 2011. The Governor will review it and submit his recommendations to the NH House and Senate by January 15, 2012. It is now up to the NH House and Senate Committees to come to conclusions by July 12, 2012 on what our roads, bridges, airports, rail systems, and public transportation will be for the next ten years. Find your local state Senator and Representative by going to <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/wml.aspx>. Another valuable resource is your local library and town/city clerks. Speak up and let them know what you believe should be done to maintain and improve our public transportation!

Hurricane Irene caused millions of dollars worth of damage to not only town and state road systems, but also caused major river/stream bank erosion. One of the best sources for FEMA and related matters is Chris Pope, Emergency Manager Director, at NH Dept. of Safety. His direct line is 545-5842. NH DOT and NH Environmental Services, Depts. of Safety and local town/city agencies coupled with private construction companies deserve lots of credit for putting back together roads and bridges for safe and timely travel.

A very important function and duty of the Governor and Executive Council is to find citizens to volunteer on the dozens of State Boards and Commissions. If you are interested please send your letter of interest and resume to Jennifer Kuzma, Governor's office 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 tel 603-271-2121.

2012 is an election year. The NH Secretary of State has a very valuable political calendar with all appropriate dates for filing for office, financial reports, and election dates plus much more. Call NH Secretary of State at 271-3242 or my office for a copy or go to: <http://www.sos.nh.gov/polcal2012-13forweb.pdf>.

District Health Councils offer a lively forum to discuss health issues- federal, state and local. If you would like to serve on one of the three District Health Councils in Council District One please send me your name and contact information.

My office has NH Constitutions, official tourist maps, and other information. I always enjoy speaking and participating in local events.

I am at the service of this District. It is an honor to hear from you!

COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clarksville, Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton, Dixville, Dummer, Errol, Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster, Milan, Millsfield, Northumberland, Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne, Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford, Whitefield

SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish, Croydon, Grantham, Newport Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee

Ray Burton



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, Wolfboro,

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

BELKNAP COUNTY:

Alton, Belmont, Center Harbor, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith, New Hampton, Sanbornton, Tilton

University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension's mission is to provide New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information to enhance their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Five full-time educators are based out of our North Haverhill office: Heather Bryant, Dave Falkenham, Kathleen Jablonski, Michal Lunak and Deborah Maes are supported by Rebecca Colpitts and Administrative Assistants Kristina Vaughan, Teresa Locke and Donna Lee. Lisa Ford, Program Associate, is located at the Whole Village Family Resource Center in Plymouth.

Trained volunteers support our programs in agriculture, forestry and youth development. Another group of volunteers serves on the Grafton County Extension Advisory Council and provide support and direction for our programs. Check out our Grafton County website to see a current list of members <http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/Grafton/Grafton.htm>.

Grafton County has 26 Master Gardener volunteers who work in 25 communities. Last year they contributed a total of 994 hours of education and service. These volunteers work on projects such as the Memorial Garden at the County Nursing Home and the Gardening Empowerment Project at the Whole Village Family Resource Center in Plymouth.

Our Nutrition Connections program at Whole Village in Plymouth uses the on-site gardens to teach nutrition to adults and children and uses the teaching kitchen to show adults and children how to make healthy food choices and stretch their food dollar. Almost 350 youth and adults participated in programming during the past year. Interns from Plymouth State University also support the program.

Our Agricultural program hosts multiple workshops each year for commercial agriculture and back yard food producers. In addition, a Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education grant supported a pepper trial in collaboration with the County Farm. Over 1,000 pepper plants representing 13 varieties resulted in a donation of approximately 2,000 pounds of peppers to local food banks and senior centers. Additionally, valuable data on yield, quality and consumer preference was obtained.

Our Forestry program works with professional loggers and foresters to improve local forest management. During the past year \$250,000 in logging contracts by licensed foresters and loggers resulted in over \$120,000 being paid directly to landowners for timber cut on their land. Educational workshops reached communities on such topics as selling timber, tree identification, wildlife management and Current Use regulations.

Our Statewide Dairy program coordinates and conducts programing and site visits year round to educate farmers on risk management programs, business management, livestock care and herd management. The program supports the 134 statewide commercial dairy farms that produced over 290,000,000 pounds of milk in 2010. Gross milk and livestock sales accounted for \$60,000,000 in New Hampshire last year.

Our 4-H Youth Development program coordinates training for the 103 volunteers who contributed over 9,300 hours of time in supporting numerous club events and over 15 county wide events each year. The economic value of this time is almost \$200,000. The 4-H program also offers technical support and training for after-school students and staff on the topics of healthy living and science education.

Our Family & Consumer Resources program has offered over 150 foods safety classes since 2,000 targeting food service workers. Over 1,000 food service workers have attended locally taught national certification classes in food safety. Eighty-eight percent have received certification.

Our office uses social media as well as weekly news columns, resource notebooks at local public libraries and an electronic calendar to reach a larger county audience. Find us on Facebook under UNH Cooperative Extension—Grafton County.

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Programs

Horse Meadow Senior Center
(N. Haverhill 787-2539)
Linwood Area Senior Services
(Lincoln 745-4705)
Littleton Area Senior Center
(Littleton 444-6050)
Mascoma Area Senior Center
(Canaan 523-4333)
Newfound Area Senior Services
(Bristol 744-8395)
Orford Area Senior Services
(Orford 353-9107)
Plymouth Regional Senior Center
(Plymouth 536-1204)
Upper Valley Senior Center
(Lebanon 448-4213)

Sponsoring

RSVP & The Volunteer Center
(toll-free 1-877-711-7787)
ServiceLink of Grafton County
(toll-free 1-866-634-9412)
Adult In-Home Care
(Lebanon 448-0376
Haverhill 787-2539)
Grafton County Senior Citizens
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GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC. ANNUAL REPORT 2011

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; operates adult in-home care from offices in Lebanon and Haverhill; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP and the Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, counseling, elder care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2011, 148 older residents of Ashland were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center and 54 were served through ServiceLink:

- Older adults from Ashland enjoyed 1,706 balanced meals in the company of friends in the Plymouth center's dining room.
- They received 6,926 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Ashland residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 1,574 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 207 visits by a trained outreach worker and 110 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Ashland's elderly citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 1,742 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Ashland residents in 2011 was \$100,867.60.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical. *Ashland's population over age 60 has increased by 57.6% over the past 20 years, according to U.S. Census data from 1990 to 2010.*

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council would very much appreciate Ashland's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Ashland

October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 148 Ashland residents (out of 495 residents over 60, 2010 U.S. Census). ServiceLink served 54 Ashland residents.

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	8,632	x	\$8.47	\$	73,113.04
Transportation	Trips	1,574	x	\$12.57	\$	19,785.18
Social Services	Half-hours	207	x	\$25.14	\$	5,203.98
ServiceLink	Contacts	110	x	\$25.14	\$	2,765.40
Activities		367		N/A		

Number of Ashland volunteers: 12 Number of Volunteer Hours: 1,742

GCSCC cost to provide services for Ashland residents only	\$	<u>100,867.60</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2011	\$	<u>5,000.00</u>
Received from Town of Ashland for 2011	\$	<u>5,000.00</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2012	\$	<u>6,000.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011.
2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 58%; municipalities, county and United Way 11%; Client donations for services 8%; Charitable contributions 21%; Other 2%.

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 603-271-1370 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.nhdf.org.

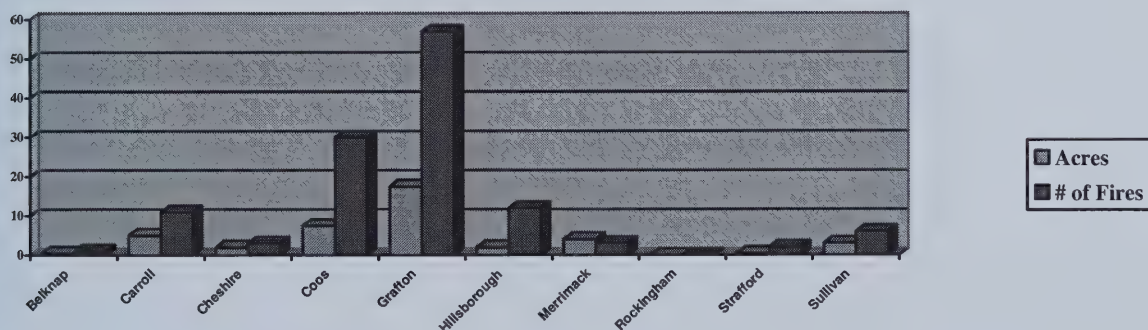
Both in terms of the number of fires, as well as the number of acres burned, this past fire season was the smallest since records have been kept. Extensive rainfall virtually all season long kept the fire danger down. When fires did start they were kept very small. The largest fire for the season was only 5.4 acres which occurred in Littleton on May 2nd 2011. There was however a small window of high fire danger in the northern third of the state during July when little rainfall was recorded. During this time there were a number of lightning started fires which are fairly unusual in New Hampshire. As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by contracted aircraft and the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2011 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!

2011 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2011)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	.5	1
Carroll	5	11
Cheshire	2	3
Coos	7.5	30
Grafton	17.5	57
Hillsborough	2	12
Merrimack	4	3
Rockingham	0	0
Strafford	.5	2
Sullivan	3	6



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	7	2011	125	42
Debris	63	2010	360	145
Campfire	10	2009	334	173
Children	2	2008	455	175
Smoking	9	2007	437	212
Railroad	1			
Equipment	1			
Lightning	3			
Misc.*	29	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

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2011 Annual Report

In 2011 the District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and to provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous wastes (HHW). The District held two (2) one-day collections, one in Littleton and the other in Plymouth. 136 vehicles were tallied at the two events. The decline in participation numbers from 2010 can be attributed to Tropical Storm Irene. The conditions during the collection were miserable and obviously had a major impact on turnout. In addition to the wastes dropped off by residents, a number of communities disposed of wastes that had been collected at their recycling facilities over the past year. Total costs for the program were \$17,028. The District was awarded a grant from the State of NH for \$6,223 and received \$80 from UNH Cooperative Extension to cover the cost of waste they brought to the collection. The net expenditure for the program was \$10,725 (a cost of \$.35 per resident). A table highlighting the District's HHW collection data since 2007 is below.

2007 - 2011 HHW Collection Data

Year	# of Collections	# of vehicles	HHW Disposal Costs	NHDES HHW Grant	Revenue from non-District Participants	Net Expenditures	Cost/Capita
2007	2	180	\$22,460	\$8,927	\$0	\$13,533	\$.45
2008	2	204	\$28,680	\$7,300	\$2,870	\$18,510	\$.62
2009	2	189	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$15,428	\$.51
2010	2	250	\$26,756	\$5,230	\$768	\$20,758	\$.67
2011	2	136	17,028	\$6,223	\$80	\$10,725	\$.35

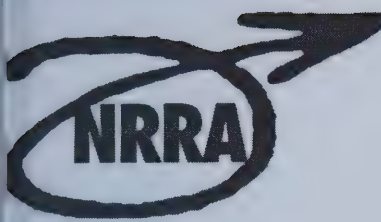
* Note in 2009, the District took part in North Country Council's HHW program and was assessed \$15,428 based on our participation numbers.

The District also coordinated the pickup of fluorescent light bulbs, antifreeze, and oily/water wastes that were collected at individual recycling facilities in the District. Over 43,000 feet of straight fluorescent tubing, 1,100 compact fluorescents, and 2,300 gallons of antifreeze/oily water wastes were properly disposed of through this program.

In 2012, the District will again hold collections in Littleton and Plymouth. Dates are tentatively set for Sunday, August 26th in Littleton and Saturday, September 29th in Plymouth. Watch for more information and concrete dates in the spring. The District takes great effort to provide these collection programs in a cost effective means, but the reality is that they are very expensive to hold. At the same time, the State of NH's HHW grant program is under increasing funding pressure and there is no guarantee grants funds will be available in this or future years. Individual residents can help keep the District's disposal costs down and reduce the toxicity of the environment by remembering a few of these helpful tips; Buy only what you need. If you have leftover product, properly store it so it will last. Use biological controls and organic products for pests and diseases in the garden when feasible. Apply chemical pesticides only as a last resort and be sure to follow the directions on the label. Lastly, air-dry your leftover latex paint. When completely dried, latex paint may be disposed of in your household trash.

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. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regards to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District at 838-6822 or by email at pemi_bakerswd@yahoo.com

Respectively Submitted,
Milton Ouellette, Jr., Chairman
Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District



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

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Web Site: www.nrra.net

Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 31-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date **Technical Assistance** in waste reduction and recycling;
- **Cooperative Marketing** to maximize pricing and **Cooperative Purchasing** to minimize costs;
- **Current Market Conditions** and Latest **Recycling Trends, both regionally and nationwide;**
- **Innovative Programs** (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- **Educational and Networking Opportunities** through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Bi-weekly "Full of Scrap" email news, monthly Marketing meetings, website, and Fall Facility Tours;
- **School Recycling Club** - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- **NH DES Continuing Ed Credits;**
- **NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recyclemobiles.**

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

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 73,648 tons in fiscal year 2010-2011!



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

2011

**STATISTICAL
AND
TOWN FINANCIAL
REPORTS**

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY 2011

		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
EQUIPMENT LOCK BOX/SHED	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
FIRE STATION	9 MAIN STREET	\$ 1,996,000.00	\$ 385,000.00
GATEHOUSE	19 LEAVITT HILL ROAD	\$ 1,000.00	
GAZEBO	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 3,500.00	
HISTORICAL MUSEUM	12 PLEASANT STREET	\$ 1,031,000.00	\$ 56,000.00
LIBRARY	41 MAIN STREET	\$ -	\$ 451,000.00
BOOSTER CLUB BUILDING	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 489,000.00	\$ 39,000.00
PARK AND REC EQUIPMENT SHED	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
PUMP STATION #1	148 RIVER STREET	\$ -	\$ 127,000.00
PUMP STATION #2	242 RIVER STREET	\$ -	\$ 127,000.00
PUMP STATION #3	RIVERSIDE DRIVE	\$ -	\$ 127,000.00
SALT SHED	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 157,000.00	\$ 53,000.00
SEWER PLANT BLOWER BUILDING	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 219,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
SEWER PLANT CHEMICAL FEED	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
SEWER PLANT CLARIFIERS	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 1,002,000.00	\$ -
SEWER PLANT EAST INFLUENT BUILDING	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
SEWER PLANT PUMP ROOM	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 575,000.00	\$ 44,000.00
SNACK SHACK - EDWARD DOGGETT	LEAVITT HILL ROAD	\$ 67,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
STORAGE GARAGE	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
STORAGE SHED - ELECTRIC	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 180,000.00	\$ 51,000.00
SUBSTATION	18 COLLINS STREET	\$ 59,000.00	
TOWN GARAGE	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 1,407,000.00	\$ 189,000.00
TOWN HALL	20 HIGHLAND STREET	\$ 2,165,000.00	\$ 298,000.00
TOWN SHED	78 DEPOT STREET	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
TRANSFER STATION RECYCLING BUILDING	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 166,000.00	\$ 48,000.00
TRANSFER STATION COMPACTOR CONTROL BLD	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00
TRANSFER STATION STORAGE BUILDING	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 124,000.00	\$ 39,000.00
TWO DUGOUTS	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 3,400.00	\$ -
WATER TANK	68 HAROLD AVERY ROAD	\$ 977,000.00	\$ -
WATER TREATMENT PLANT	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 263,000.00	\$ 250,000.00
WWTP ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 324,000.00	\$ 118,000.00
GRINDER PUMP STATION	299 RIVER STREET	\$ 2,500.00	
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 2,500.00	
REPEATER ANTENNA	PEPPERCORN ROAD	\$ 6,000.00	
COVERED BRIDGE	RIVER STREET	\$ 290,000.00	
*SOURCE - LGC PROPERTY SCHEDULE			

INVENTORY OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY		2011						
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	
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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	
017-007-012	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		
018-004-001	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							

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

VALUE OF LAND ONLY

CURRENT USE	\$	306,012.00
CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	\$	-
RESIDENTIAL	\$	78,932,350.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	\$	12,787,150.00
TOTAL TAXABLE LAND	\$	92,025,512.00

VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY

RESIDENTIAL	\$	136,163,850.00
MANUFACTURED HOUSING	\$	4,010,100.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	\$	27,020,400.00
TOTAL TAXABLE BUILDINGS	\$	167,194,350.00

PUBLIC UTILITIES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY	\$	5,536,550.00
SQUAM RIVER POWER LLC	\$	175,730.00
FRENCH RIVER LAND CO	\$	126,450.00
TOTAL UTILITIES	\$	5,838,730.00

VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS

BLIND EXEMPTIONS	\$	60,000.00
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS	\$	743,333.00
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$	803,333.00

NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY
AND LOCAL TAX IS COMPUTED \$ 264,255,259.00

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX
IS COMPUTED \$ 258,416,529.00

*INFORMATION IS TAKEN FROM THE DRA MS 1 FORM
(2011 SUMMARY VALUATION OF INVENTORY)*

TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS 2011

TOWN PORTION

TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	\$	6,867,062.00			
LESS REVENUES	\$	(4,955,329.00)			
LESS SHARED REVENUES	\$	-			
ADD OVERLAY	\$	27,923.00			
ADD WAR SERVICE CREDITS	\$	29,550.00			
NET TOWN APPROPRIATIONS			\$ 1,969,206.00		
APPROVED TOWN TAX EFFORT				\$ 1,969,206.00	
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE					\$ 7.46

SCHOOL PORTION

NET SCHOOL BUDGET	\$	2,530,188.00			
REGIONAL SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT	\$	1,157,723.00			
LESS ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT	\$	(724,174.00)			
LESS STATE EDUCATION TAXES	\$	(566,854.00)			
APPROVED SCHOOL TAX EFFORT			\$ 2,396,883.00		
LOCAL EDUCATION TAX RATE					\$ 9.07

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

EQUALIZATION VALUATION (NO UTILITIES)	\$	2.33			
X \$240,669,377			\$ 566,854.00		
STATE SCHOOL TAX RATE					\$ 2.19

COUNTY PORTION

DUE TO COUNTY	\$	368,443.00			
LESS SHARED REVENUES	\$	-			
APPROVED COUNTY TAX EFFORT			\$ 368,443.00		
COUNTY TAX RATE					\$ 1.39

TOTAL TAX RATE \$ 20.11

TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED	\$	5,301,386.00			
LESS WAR SERVICES CREDITS	\$	(29,550.00)			
ADD VILLAGE DISTRICT COMMITMENT	\$	-			
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT	\$	5,271,836.00			

PROOF OF RATE

NET ASSESSED VALUATION		RATE		ASSESSMENT	
STATE EDUCATION TAX (NO UTILITIES)	\$ 258,416,529.00	\$	2.19	\$ 566,854.00	
ALL OTHER TAXES	\$ 264,255,259.00	\$	17.92	\$ 4,734,532.00	
				\$ 5,301,386.00	

Signed by Barbara Robinson, Department of Revenue
26-Oct-11

GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNTS

	DUE DATE	PRINCIPAL YEAR 2011	INTEREST YEAR 2011	PRINCIPAL BALANCE
\$235,631 - Water System Bond **	March	\$ 6,041.83	\$ 4,098.17	\$ 193,331.73
Due Annually @3.99%	Sept	\$ 6,041.83	\$ 3,977.64	
Payable to Northway		\$ 12,083.66	\$ 8,075.81	
Final Payment 9/10/2027				
\$1,188,561 - Water Project **	Jan	\$ 32,123.26	\$ 20,507.49	\$ 963,697.80
Interest @ 3.99%	July	\$ 32,123.26	\$ 19,920.03	
Payable to Northway		\$ 64,246.52	\$ 40,427.52	
Final Payment 7/16/2026				
\$448,000 - 1967 Water Bonds	Jan	\$ -	\$ 1,237.50	\$ 15,000.00
Interest varies @5.4% - 8.25%	July	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 1,237.50	
Payable to NH Municipal Bond		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 2,475.00	
Final Payment 7/15/2012				
\$1,384,005 - River St Improvement R1 /R2	Jan	\$ 35,831.00	\$ 50,560.00	\$ 1,088,434.00
Interest @ 4.5%				
Payable to USDA - Rural Development				
Final payment 1/10/2030				
\$400,000 - Highway Project Bond	April	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 3,590.12	\$ 80,000.00
Interest @ 3%				
Payable to Woodsville Savings Bank				
Final Payment 4/18/2013				
\$438,699 - Fire Department Ladder Truck	July	\$ 50,597.00	\$ 9,654.80	\$ 165,748.00
All American Investment				
Final Payment 7/1/2014				
** Refinanced				

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

FOR THE TAX YEAR 2011 - TOWN OF ASHLAND - GRAFTON COUNTY

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2011 BUDGET	UNAUDITED	
		EXPENDITURES	BALANCE REMAINING
EXECUTIVE	\$ 6,168.00	\$ 5,998.00	\$ 170.00
ELECTION, REGISTRATION, VITALS	\$ 33,170.00	# \$ 31,528.00	\$ 1,642.00
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 268,569.00	\$ 262,895.00	\$ 5,674.00
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$ 34,100.00	\$ 36,370.00	\$ (2,270.00)
LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,009.00	\$ 2,991.00
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 13,753.00	\$ 14,970.00	\$ (1,217.00)
BALLOT CODING	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
PLANNING AND ZONING	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 2,804.00	\$ 1,146.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 26,750.00	\$ 26,995.00	\$ (245.00)
CEMETERIES	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ 450.00
INSURANCE	\$ 97,527.00	\$ 101,214.00	\$ (3,687.00)
ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC	\$ 1,987.00	\$ 1,987.00	\$ -
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 816.00	\$ 3,684.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			\$ -
POLICE	\$ 518,828.00	\$ 493,411.00	\$ 25,417.00
POLICE DETAIL	\$ 5,213.00	\$ 2,730.00	\$ 2,483.00
AMBULANCE	\$ 65,370.00	\$ 64,034.00	\$ 1,336.00
FIRE	\$ 187,039.00	\$ 162,359.37	\$ 24,679.63
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$ 8,563.00	\$ 8,818.00	\$ (255.00)
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,094.00	\$ 2,906.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 249,103.00	\$ 245,450.00	\$ 3,653.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	\$ 173,501.00	\$ 247,642.00	\$ (74,141.00)
BRIDGES	\$ 400.00	\$ 238.00	\$ 162.00
TOWN MECHANIC	\$ 73,316.00	\$ 71,739.00	\$ 1,577.00
STREET LIGHTING	\$ 41,230.00	\$ 41,531.00	\$ (301.00)
SANITATION			\$ -
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$ 144,862.00	\$ 134,010.00	\$ 10,852.00
HEALTH			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,953.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 753.00
PEST CONTROL	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 200.00
WELFARE			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION / ASSISTANCE	\$ 62,075.00	\$ 72,060.00	\$ (9,985.00)
VENDOR PAYMENTS / OTHER	\$ 18,989.00	\$ 13,990.00	\$ 4,999.00
CULTURE AND RECREATION			\$ -
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 155,958.00	\$ 149,856.00	\$ 6,102.00
LIBRARY	\$ 53,155.00	\$ 53,155.00	\$ -
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	\$ 9,813.00	\$ 12,723.00	\$ (2,910.00)
TOWN TRUSTEES	\$ 646.00	\$ 493.00	\$ 153.00
CONSERVATION	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
			\$ -
DEBT SERVICE			\$ -
PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM	\$ 217,759.00	\$ 217,758.00	\$ 1.00
INTEREST - LONG TERM	\$ 114,740.00	\$ 114,467.00	\$ 273.00
INTEREST - TAN	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 4,685.00	\$ 4,685.00	\$ -
WARRANT ARTICLES	\$ 194,417.00	\$ 181,396.00	\$ 13,021.00
DEFAULT DISCOUNTS		\$ (171.00)	\$ 171.00
			\$ -
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 2,819,939.00	# \$ 2,799,954.37	# \$ 19,984.63
OUT TO ENTERPRISE FUNDS			
MUNICIPAL SEWER FUND	\$ 343,209.00	\$ 268,563.00	\$ 74,646.00
MUNICIPAL WATER FUND	\$ 218,746.00	\$ 154,042.00	\$ 64,704.00
MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC FUND	\$ 3,485,168.00	\$ 2,943,284.94	\$ 541,883.06
UNAUDITED			

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
Submitted by Patricia Tucker

Fees Collected by the Town Clerk Office submitted to Treasurer (unaudited):

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 266,209.99
Dog Licenses - Town	\$ 1,853.50
Dog Licenses - State Fee*	\$ 870.50
Vital Records - Town Fee	\$ 814.00
Vital Records - State Fee*	\$ 2,446.00
Misc Income	\$ 1,059.00
Refunded Permit Fees	\$ 321.00

*Fees are collected and paid to the state

Citizens are able if they wish to renew vehicle registrations online at www.ashland.nh.gov by clicking the registration icon. The method of payment is by e-check. This is for renewals only. Dog renewals can also be done online. There is a nominal fee for this service.

Dog licenses need to be renewed by April 30.

Pat Crowell and I take the opportunity to attend classes sponsored by the Department of Safety Motor Vehicles and Town Clerks Association in order to provide a greater service to you.

We are open Monday - Friday 8-4; Thursday 8-5. This office is the place to start if you wish to declare residency, register to vote, register vehicles, search vital records or town records or if you have any questions hopefully we can point you in the right direction to get an answer.

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

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

(603)230-5090

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

for the Municipality of ASHLAND Year Ending 2011

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)					
Property Taxes	#3110		\$ 359,882.18					
Resident Taxes	#3180		\$ -					
Land Use Change	#3120		\$ -					
Yield Taxes	#3185		\$ -					
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		\$ -					
Utility Charges	#3189		\$ -	\$ 656.25				
Property Tax Credit Balance**		\$ (1,092.72)	\$ -					
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		< >						
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			For DRA Use Only					
Property Taxes	#3110	\$5,272,348.45				\$0.00		
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$0.00				\$0.00		
Land Use Change	#3120	\$0.00				\$0.00		
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$0.00				\$0.00		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$0.00				\$0.00		
Utility Charges	#3189	\$938.52				\$951.85		
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS								
Property Taxes	#3110	\$4,048.22	\$0.00					
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Land Use Change	#3120	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$0.00	\$0.00					
		\$0.00	\$0.00					
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$3,638.67	\$20,432.13					
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190							
TOTAL DEBITS		\$5,279,881.14	\$381,266.16	\$ 656.25	\$			

*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 amounts 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.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of ASHLAND Year Ending 2011

REMITTED TO TREASURER	CREDITS		PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)	
	Levy for Year of This Report			
Property Taxes	\$ 4,849,509.20	\$ 229,955.37		
Resident Taxes	\$ -	\$ -		
Land Use Change	\$ -	\$ -		
Yield Taxes	\$ -			
Interest (include lien conversion)	\$ 3,638.67	\$ 20,306.13		
Penalties	\$ -			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ -			
Utility Charges	\$ -	\$ 516.12	\$ 525.00	
Conversion to Lien (principal only)	\$ -	\$ 128,986.69		
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	\$ 8,517.65	\$ 1,066.12		
Resident Taxes	\$ -	\$ -		
Land Use Change	\$ -	\$ -		
Yield Taxes	\$ -	\$ -		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ -	\$ -		
Utility Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131.25	
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080				
Property Taxes	\$ 417,277.10	\$ -		
Resident Taxes	\$ -	\$ -		
Land Use Change	\$ -	\$ -		
Yield Taxes	\$ -	\$ -		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ -	\$ -		
Utility Charges	\$ 938.52	\$ 435.87		
Property Tax Credit Balance**	< >			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	< >			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 5,279,881.14	\$ 381,266.16	\$ 656.25	\$

**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 appropriate taxes or charges actually remitted to the treasurer).

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of _____ ASHLAND _____ Year Ending ___2011_

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
	2011	2010	2009	2008
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year	\$ -	\$ 86,662.60	\$ 24,424.97	\$ 3,652.80
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$ 139,556.29			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$ 3,369.65	\$ 5,751.17	\$ 5,747.41	\$ 640.56
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 142,925.94	\$ 92,413.77	\$ 30,172.38	\$ 4,293.36

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2011	2010	2009	2008
Redemptions		\$ 46,702.96	\$ 26,224.77	\$ 14,540.00	\$ 1,198.64
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)		\$ 3,369.65	\$ 5,751.17	\$ 5,747.41	\$ 640.56
	#3190				
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens			\$ 417.29		
Liens Deeded to Municipality					
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	#1110	\$ 92,853.33	\$ 60,020.54	\$ 9,884.97	\$ 2,454.16
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 142,925.94	\$ 92,413.77	\$ 30,175.38	\$ 4,293.36

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-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 _____

Carissa Tucker

DATE February 9, 2012

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

Submitted by Patricia Tucker

The duty of the tax collector is to collect the taxes that are warranted by the Board of Selectmen. The tax rate and amount of tax to be collected is based on several factors including the budgets voted for the town, local school, regional high school and county. Also taken into consideration are the revenues received from fees assessed to the public that go into the general fund revenue line and state and federal revenues.

The tax office is able to take payments at any time during the year, making a payment plan within your own budget a possibility. We will be able to pay current tax bills online, hopefully for the 2012 first issue that will be due in July. The process will be found on the town website and will be by E check. There will be a small fee for processing payments in this manner.

The taxes warranted and collected are the life line for the town and the services that are provided including educating our children.

We look forward to working with you in the coming year.

SCRIBNER MEMORIAL TRUST
December 31, 2011

Balance as of December 31, 2010 \$149,003.10

EXPENSES:	2010	2011
Maintenance	\$3,1344.87	3,583.48
Supplies	410.71	258.69
Insurance	782.00	822.94
FICA	0	76.50
Bookkeeper	461.75	461.75
Fuel	3,136.89	3,994.35
Misc.	<u>332.50</u>	<u>42.00</u>
TOTAL	\$8,258.72	\$ 9239.71

INCOME:

MVSB Interest	\$.42
Transferred Funds-Stock	\$ 10,000.00

ACCOUNT BALANCES:

MVSB	\$ 1,464.98	\$ 2,301.69
Inc. Fund of America-Value	7,569.72	7,992.27
Cash Balance	0	5.46
WF Advantage 100% Money	-8,474.75	
Allianceberstein	16,382.89	16,770.51
Capital World Growth	31,065.03	25,921.66
First Eagle FOS Inc	32,514.81	32,534.86
Permanent Portfolio FD	32,765.78	33,464.79
Prudential Jennison	<u>18,765.14</u>	<u>15,285.95</u>
TOTAL	\$ 149,0003.10	\$ 134,277.19

Balance as of December 31, 2011 \$134,277.19

Submitted by:
Richard Pare'
Thomas Peters
Richard Ogden
Elliot Dupuis
Fred Salvonie

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF Ashland ON DECEMBER 31, 2011															
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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	PRINCIPAL CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRA WALS	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOM E PERCENT	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENDE D DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
6	COMMON TRUST FUND														
7	Nonexpendable Trusts			0.0%					0.00		0.00			0.00	0.00
8	Cemetery Care Trusts:														
9	Various	Cemetery	Mutual Fund		7,950.00				7,950.00	-648.54		425.73	0.00	-222.81	7,727.19
10	9/18/1966	Crimmings & Berry Cemetery	Mutual Fund		800.00				800.00	1,737.06		178.80	0.00	1,915.86	2,715.86
11		Library Trusts:													
12	2/8/1977	Pauline Packard Memorial Fund	Mutual Fund		1,013.39				1,013.39	-136.54		-15.42	0.00	-151.96	861.43
13	8/7/1974	Ordway Cheney	Mutual Fund		2,109.90				2,109.90	-451.75		-29.12	0.00	-480.87	1,629.03
14	5/13/1985	Harriet Addison	Mutual Fund		983.86				983.86	181.95		-27.51		154.44	1,138.30
15		Memorial Park:													
16	3/1/1995	J. Rollins Trust	Mutual Fund		*3578.23				0.00						
17	8/12/1993	Memorial Park	Mutual Fund		*38549.73				0.00						
18		J.Rollins + Memorial Park combined			42,127.96				42,127.91	6,719.16		1,161.15	3,500.00	4,380.31	46,508.22
19															
20		Expendable Trusts													
21		Capitol Reserve Funds:													
22	3/9/2004	River Street Bridge													0.00
23	3/9/2004	Highway Truck													0.00
24	3/9/2004	Employee Disability Payment Fund	Consentration		7,300.00			6,304.94	995.06	1,424.97		2.08	0.00	1,427.05	2,422.11
25	3/12/2002	Ashland Electric	Consentration		33,000.00	75,000.00			108,000.00	2,365.75		76.36		2,442.11	110,442.11
26	4/1/2007	Ashland Water	Consentration		52,500.00	47,500.00		81,160.92	18,839.08	2,919.33		15.05		2,934.38	21,773.46
27	4/1/2007	Ashland Sewer	Consentration		102,500.00	47,500.00		134,120.84	15,879.16	6,265.47		21.08		6,286.55	22,165.71
28	4/1/2007	Highway Sidewalk Plow	Consentration		35,000.00	35,000.00		70,000.00	0.00	316.04		20.37	332.47	3.94	3.94
29	8/1/2011	Town Clock	Consentration		1,500.00				1,500.00	0.00		0.23		0.23	1,500.23
30		Agency Trusts:													
31		Ashland School District													
32	1/23/2003	School District Special	Consentration		55,298.66				55,298.66	10,748.32		45.70		10,794.02	66,092.68
33	5/13/1985	Alice June Addison Memorial	Mutual Fund		9,336.34				9,336.34	1,000.46		-419.98		580.48	9,916.82
34	5/13/1985	Alice June Addison Memorial	Pyramid pass		11.25				11.25	583.00		0.56		583.56	584.81
35	8/16/1987	Edward M. Doggett Memorial	Mutual Fund		2,012.62				2,012.62	513.57		-91.15		422.42	2,435.04
36		COMMON TRUST FUND TOTAL			353,443.98				266,857.23	33,538.25		1,363.93	3,832.47	31,069.71	297,926.94

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT - 2011
Submitted by Linda Guyotte, Treasurer

CHECKING ACCOUNTS	TOWN	ELECTRIC	WATER	SEWER
BEGINNING BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2011	\$ 1,700,870.05	\$ 149,775.48	\$ 51,381.25	\$ 219,405.92
DEPOSITS	\$ 6,303,354.42	\$ 3,204,131.51	\$ 267,221.91	\$ 773,438.35
EXPENDITURES	\$ 6,684,696.84	\$ 3,182,747.40	\$ 167,960.53	\$ 433,729.22
INTEREST	\$ 4,973.22	\$ 695.95	\$ 773.75	\$ 2,861.04
TOTAL	\$ 1,324,500.85	\$ 171,855.54	\$ 151,416.38	\$ 561,976.09
PROOF OF BALANCE 12/31/2011				
MVSB CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 24,949.47			
MVSB CASH MANAGER ACCOUNT	\$ 1,299,551.38	\$ 38,037.48	\$ 151,416.38	\$ 224,133.50
MVSB CASH MANAGER ACCOUNT				\$ 337,842.59
TOTAL MEREDITH VILLAGE SAVINGS	\$ 1,324,500.85	\$ 38,037.48	\$ 151,416.38	\$ 561,976.09
FSB CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 9,305.06			
FSB MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	\$ 124,513.00			
TOTAL FRANKLIN SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$ 133,818.06			
INVESTED FUNDS				
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,976.98	\$ 273,761.51
TRANSFERS TO CITIZENS BANK	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
INTEREST	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18.80	\$ 52.58
WITHDRAWALS CITIZENS BANK	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,995.78	\$ 243,814.09
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PROOF OF BALANCE 12/31/2011				
CITIZENS BANK	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2011	\$ 1,324,500.85	\$ 171,855.54	\$ 151,416.38	\$ 561,976.09



Roberts, Greene & Drolet, PLLC

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Ashland
Ashland, New Hampshire 03217

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Ashland, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Ashland's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Proprietary Funds, which represent 100 percent of the assets, net assets, and revenues of the Business-type Activities and the Enterprise Funds. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Business-type Activities and the Enterprise Funds, is based on the report of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 and the report of other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Ashland, as of December 31, 2010, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary comparison information on page 29 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Ashland's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. They have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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June 6, 2011

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2012

**WARRANT
AND
BUDGETS**

TOWN OF ASHLAND STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT – YEAR 2012

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

First Session – You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to be held at the Ashland School Gymnasium, Ashland, New Hampshire, on the 4th day of February 2012, being Saturday, at 1:00 PM. The First (Deliberative) Session will consist of explanation, discussion and debate of each of the following articles, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by state law.

Second Session – You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to elect Town Officers by official ballot and to vote by official ballot on the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, to be held at the Ashland School Gymnasium, 27 Highland Street, Ashland, NH on the 13th day of March 2012, being Tuesday, the polls to be open at 8:00 AM and may not close prior to 7:00 PM to act upon the following:

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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

- Member Board of Selectmen - 3 year term
- Member Board of Selectmen - 1 year term
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- Town Clerk/Tax Collector - 3 year term
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- Supervisor of the Checklist - 6 year term
- Electric Commissioner - 3 year term
- Water and Sewer Commissioner - 3 year term
- Budget Committee - 3 year term [three positions]

ARTICLE 2 - ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

To see how the Town will vote by official ballot on the proposed amendments as recommended by the Planning Board, to the Ashland Zoning Ordinance as follows

Question 1. Are you in favor of changing the title of Section 5 of the Ashland Zoning Ordinance to read "Non Conforming Uses and Lots"?

Question 2. Are you in favor of adding to Section 5, a section to be numbered 5.5 to read "A lot of record created prior to zoning will be exempt from the lot sizing and road frontage requirements of the Ashland Zoning Ordinance?"

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Shall the voters of the Town of Ashland vote to approve the cost items included in the three year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Ashland and the SEIU Local 1984 which call for the following increases in salaries, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3702 [\$2813 of which shall come from utility rates not general taxation] for the 2012 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional cost items attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid, at current staffing levels? The agreement calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

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FY 2012	\$ 889	\$ 2,813
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Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 2-0
Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0-1

ARTICLE 5 (Authorization for Special Meeting on Cost Items)

Shall the voters of the Town of Ashland, if Article 24 (SEIU Local 1984 Bargaining Agreement) is defeated, authorize the Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 24 cost items only?

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To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a five year lease agreement for \$142,100 for the purpose of leasing a four wheel drive loader for the Public Works Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,420 for the first year payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 5-4

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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) for the replacement of the Fire Department roof.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 9-0

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To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Improvements Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125, 000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
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ARTICLE 9 - POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION RADIOS [Tax Impact 3.8 cents]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$10,100) to replace five hand held communication radios for the Ashland Police Department.

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Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-2

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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of continuing the process of updating the Town of Ashland Master Plan. (Majority vote required)

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Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
Budget Committee does not recommend this article with a vote of 7-2

ARTICLE 13 - TOWN CLOCK [Tax Impact 0.6 cents]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500) to be deposited into the Town Clock Non Capital Reserve Fund established in 2011 for maintenance of the town owned clock.

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To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, as provided by RSA 674:5, (1) to remove the Planning Board's responsibility for the town capital improvement program and (2) to establish, appoint and implement a Capital Improvement Program Committee, whose purpose shall be to prepare and amend a recommended program of municipal capital improvement projects projected over a period of at least 6 years, to aid the Selectmen and the Budget Committee in the completion of the annual budget. Membership of such committee shall include at least one member of the Planning Board and may include but not be limited to other members of the Planning Board, the Budget Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Trustees and other townspeople.

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To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer to Edmund and Terry White a portion of town owned property located on River Street abutting property now owned by Edmund and Terry White on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate.

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

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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for CADY (Communities for Alcohol-and Drug-free Youth, a non-profit organization) for the purpose of supporting the only local court diversion program to reduce juvenile delinquency by increasing offender accountability, ensuring restitution to victims, and potentially saving the town many thousands of dollars in placement costs at juvenile detention facilities.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$9,342) for the Pemi-Baker Community Health (a non-profit organization and Ashland's home health and hospice agency), for the purpose of providing uninsured and under-insured residents of the Town with quality home health care. This sum amounts to Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$4.50) per resident based upon recent census data, and it represents a small fraction of the cost of providing these services to our residents in their home.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-2

ARTICLE 19 - PETITIONED ARTICLE - Bandstand

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5000 to have the Bandstand currently located in the ROW on the L. W. Packard ball field relocated to another location where it can get better usage.

Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article with a vote of 2-1
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 6-3

ARTICLE 20 - PETITIONED ARTICLE - Grafton County Senior Citizens Council Inc.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council Inc. requests that \$6,000 be raised and appropriated for Grafton Senior Citizens Council Inc. for services for Ashland residents in 2012. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support, Servicelink support, and more. In 2011 Grafton County Senior Citizens Council Inc. provided services for 202 Ashland residents, and the cost of providing these services was \$100,867.60.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article with a vote of 3-0
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 7-2

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The Town of Ashland will raise and appropriate funds totaling \$2,239 to Genesis Behavioral Health for the delivery of Emergency Mental Health Services. These services include access to Master's level clinicians and psychiatrists by individuals, police, fire, schools, hospitals and others 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Services are provided to anyone in need, regardless of their ability to pay. Genesis Behavioral Health is the community mental health center serving Belknap and southern Grafton counties. We served 3,270 children, families, adults and elders in fiscal year 2011; 85 of whom were Ashland residents. Genesis Behavioral Health provided emergency services to 11 Ashland residents in fiscal year 2011. We provided \$12,291 in charitable care to Ashland residents.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article 2-0
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ARTICLE 22 - PETITIONED ARTICLE - Plymouth Regional Clinic

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200, or any portion that the Town feels is appropriate, for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 to support Plymouth Regional Clinic, a nonprofit free clinic providing health care to the low income uninsured.

Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article with a vote of 2-0
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 5-4

ARTICLE 23 - PETITIONED ARTICLE - Tri County CAP

We the undersigned registered voters of the Town of Ashland do hereby petition the 2012 Annual Town Meeting to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,107.00 for Tri-County Community Action for the purpose of continuing services of the Fuel Assistance Program for the residents of Ashland.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article 2-0
Budget Committee recommends this article with a vote of 8-1

ARTICLE 24- PETITIONED ARTICLE - The Bridge House

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 or any amount that the Town feels is appropriate, for the fiscal year 2012-2013 to support The Bridge House, a nonprofit shelter, providing programs and services leading to stability and independence for the areas homeless families and individuals. Priority is offered to veterans.

Board of Selectmen recommends this article 2-0
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ARTICLE 25 - PETITIONED ARTICLE - Park and Recreation Director

Shall the town maintain the current Park and Recreation Director's position as a salaried full time (40 hours per week) position? This article shall take effect immediately and would not be considered a new job opening.

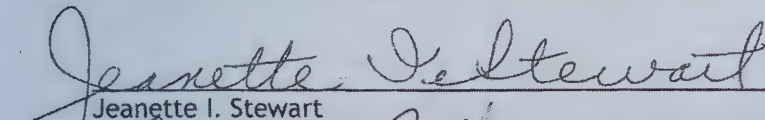
ARTICLE 26 - PETITIONED ARTICLE - Membership of Board of Selectmen

We, the undersigned, propose this warrant article to see if the Town of Ashland should return to a 5-member Board of Selectmen from the current 3-member Board in order to ensure Select Board representation on all town committees and town meetings.

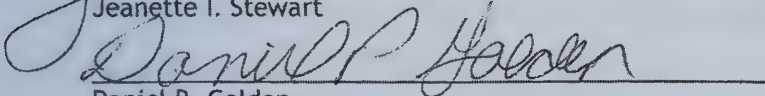
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Given under our hands this 27 day of January, 2012 .



Jeanette I. Stewart



Daniel P. Golden



Glenn Dion

Town of Ashland Board of Selectmen

TOWN OF ASHLAND WARRANT
AS AMENDED
FEBRUARY 4, 2012

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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

Member Board of Selectmen - 3 year term

Jeanette Stewart

Frances Newton

_____ Write in

Member Board of Selectmen - 1 year term

Sandra A. Coleman

_____ Write in

Town Moderator - 2 year term

Bobbi Hoerter

_____ Write in

Town Clerk/Tax Collector -3 year term

Patricia Tucker

Sherrie L. Downing

_____ Write in

Town Trustee of the Trust Funds - 3 year term

Thomas Peters

_____ Write in

Library Trustee - 3 year term

Lynn Davis

_____ Write in

Supervisor of the Checklist - 6 year term

Beverly J. Ober

_____ Write in

Electric Commissioner - 3 year term

Bobbi Hoerter

_____ Write in

Water and Sewer Commissioner - 3 year term

Gordon F. McCormack Jr.

John c. Hughes

_____ Write in

Budget Committee - 3 year term [three positions]

David Toth

David Ruell

Mark Scarano

_____ Write in

_____ Write in

_____ Write in

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Selectmen recommend 2-0
Budget Committee recommend 8-0-1

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Shall the voters of the Town of Ashland, if Article 4 (SEIU Local 1984 Bargaining Agreement) is defeated, authorize the Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 4 cost items only?

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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, 2012 to December 31, 2012

or Fiscal Year From 1/1/2012 to 12/31/2012

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): Jan 27 2012

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.

[Signature]
[Signature] 1/24/2012
[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]
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[Signature]

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)230-5090

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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)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive		6168	5998	8668		8668	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		36170	34528	39237		38917	320
4150-4151	Financial Administration		268569	262895	280898	100	274303	6695
4152	Revaluation of Property		34100	36370	37850		37850	
4153	Legal Expense		15000	12009	35000		35000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		13753	14970	10000		10000	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		3950	2804	4715		4554	161
4194	General Government Buildings		26750	26955	36200		35200	1000
4195	Cemeteries		450	0	0		0	
4196	Insurance		97527	101214	112495		112495	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1987	1987	1741		1741	
4199	Other General Government		4500	816	2500		500	2000
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police		524041	496141	559377		556449	2928
4215-4219	Ambulance		47500	46064	47500		47500	
4220-4229	Fire		204909	180329	217343	14371	231714	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		8563	8818	9607		9607	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		4000	1094	4000		2001	1999
4299	Other (Including Communications)							
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER								
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311	Administration		249103	245449	257291		250510	6781
4312	Highways & Streets		173501	247642	187502		183752	3750
4313	Bridges		400	238	0		0	

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HIGHWAYS & STREETS (cont.)								
4316	Street Lighting		41230	41531	41230		41230	
4319	Other Mechanic		73316	71739	73754		73754	
SANITATION								
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		144862	134010	150432		142933	7499
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH/WELFARE								
4411	Administration		2953	2200	2354		2354	
4414	Pest Control		3400	3200	3400		3400	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other							
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		62075	72060	74825	5175	80000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payemnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		18989	13990	0		0	

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					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		155958	149685	106057		96806	9249
4550-4559	Library		53155	53155	58710		58230	480
4583	Patriotic Purposes		9813	12723	10690		10690	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		646	493	646		646	
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		500	500	1000		1000	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing							
4651-4659	Economic Development							
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes		217759	217758	221630		221630	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		114740	114467	105429		105429	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		500	0	500		500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		4685	4685				
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	- Sewer		343209	269413	348708		268708	80000
	- Water		218746	154042	233482		153482	80000

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OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT (cont.)									
	- Electric		3485168	2841961	3291095		3106095	185000	
	- Airport								
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds								
4919	To Fiduciary Funds								
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL					5883933	6575866	19646	6207648	387862

****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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4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Exp. Tr.Fund							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds							
	SIDEWALK PLOW		129000					
	TOWN CLOCK FUND	13	1500		1500		1500	
	COVERED BRIDGE REPAIR		25000					
	GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS		5000					
	ROAD IMPROVEMENT CRF	8			125000		125000	
	FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT CRF	10			8000		8000	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - CADY	17			1000		1000	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - PEMI-BAKER	18			9342		9342	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - BANDSTAND	19			0	5000	5000	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - GRAFTON COUNTY	20			6000		6000	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - GENESIS	21			2239		2239	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - PLYMOUTH CLINIC	22			0	1200	1200	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - TRI COUNTY CAP	23			3107		3107	
	PETITIONED ARTICLE - BRIDGE HOUSE	24			5000		5000	
	SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		160500	151991	161188	6200	167388	0

****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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	POLICE VEHICLE LEASE		14626					
	DEFIBRILLATOR LEASE		9291					
	MASTER PLAN	11	10000		10000		10000	
	COLLECTIVE BARGAINING - LOCAL 1984	4			889		889	
	PUBLIC WORKS LOADER LEASE	6			28420		28420	
	FIRE DEPT ROOF	7			27000		27000	
	POLICE COMMUNICATION RADIOS	9			10100		10100	
	TRANS/RECYCLING TRACTOR	12			15000		15000	
	INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		33917	29405	91409	0	76409	15000

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes			1	1
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		58180	56000	56000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		41186	35998	35998
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)			1	1
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		2241	1800	1800
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		271633	255500	265500
3230	Building Permits		11580	6900	6900
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4167	3400	3400
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			1	1
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues			1	1
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		92725	90000	90000
3353	Highway Block Grant		56592	49755	49755
3354	Water Pollution Grant		57214	56091	56091
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		57	1	1
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		55838	2	2
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments		156024	151696	151696
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		1000	2	2
3502	Interest on Investments		7828	4000	4000
3503-3509	Other		20862	19182	19182
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
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.)					
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		343209	348708	268708
	Water - (Offset)		218746	233482	153482
	Electric - (Offset)		3485168	3291095	3106095
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds		70332		
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts Voted From Fund Balance				
	Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		87505		
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			5042087	4603616	4268616
			837127	730331	740331

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	6672645	6575866	6207648
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	160500	161188	167388
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	33917	91409	76409
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	6867062	6828463	6451445
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	5042087	4603616	4268616
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1824975	2224847	2182829

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: \$ 612,235.10
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: _____ ASHLAND _____

For the Ensuing Year January 1, 2012 ___ to December 31, 2012 ___

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

RSA 40:13, IX (b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

- 1. Use this form to list the default budget calculation in the appropriate columns.
- 2. Post this form or any amended version with proposed operating budget (MS-6 or MS-7) and the warrant.
- 3. Per RSA 40:13, XI, (a), the default budget shall be disclosed at the first budget hearing.

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

or

Budget Committee if RSA 40:14-b is adopted

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.

[Signature]

Francis A. ...

[Signature]

Miriam Brown

[Signature]

[Signature]

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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Default Budget - Town of _____ FY _____

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
4130-4139	Executive	6168			6168
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	36170			40808
4150-4151	Financial Administration	268569			270343
4152	Revaluation of Property	34100			38850
4153	Legal Expense	15000			35000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	13753			13753
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	3950			3950
4194	General Government Buildings	26750			27150
4195	Cemeteries	450			0
4196	Insurance	97527			112495
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1987			1741
4199	Other General Government	4500			4500
PUBLIC SAFETY					
4210-4214	Police	524041			553697
4215-4219	Ambulance	47500			47500
4220-4229	Fire	209409			215812
4240-4249	Building Inspection	8563			8563
4290-4298	Emergency Management	4000			4000
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)				
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER					
4301-4309	Airport Operations				
HIGHWAYS & STREETS					
4311	Administration	249103			256245
4312	Highways & Streets	173501			188501
4313	Bridges	400			0
4316	Street Lighting	41230			41230
4319	MECHANIC	73316			73655
SANITATION					
4321	Administration				
4323	Solid Waste Collection				
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	144862			148039
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up				
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other				

Default Budget - Town of _____ FY _____

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
4901	Land				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	4685			0
4903	Buildings				
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.				
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT					
4912	To Special Revenue Fund				
4913	To Capital Projects Fund				
4914	To Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer-	343209			352282
	Water-	218746			225666
	Electric-	3485168			3490048
	Airport-				
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds				
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds				
4919	To Fiduciary Funds				
TOTAL		6672645			6770684

Please use the box below to explain increases or reductions in columns 4 & 5.

Acct #	Explanation for Increases	Acct #	Explanation for Reductions
	SEE ATTACHED PAGES		SEE ATTACHED PAGES

Parks and Recreation decrease in director's salary and benefits, campground expenses
increase for campground and after school employees salaries and benefits

Principal Long Term Notes and Bonds increase in bond principal payments

Interest Long Term Notes and Bonds decrease in bond interest payments

Capital Outlay decrease due to end of fire department gear lease purchase payments

Sewer increase in contract operations, health insurance and retirement

Water increase in contract operations, health insurance and well testing

Electric increase in health insurance

2012 TOWN OF ASHLAND HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

NEW YEAR'S DAY*	MONDAY	JANUARY 2, 2012
PRESIDENT'S DAY	MONDAY	FEBRUARY 20, 2012
MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY	MAY 28, 2012
INDEPENDENCE DAY	WEDNESDAY	JULY 4, 2012
LABOR DAY	MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 3, 2012
COLUMBUS DAY	MONDAY	OCTOBER 8, 2012
VETERANS' DAY*	MONDAY	NOVEMBER 12, 2012
THANKSGIVING DAY	THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 22, 2012
DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING	FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 23, 2012
CHRISTMAS DAY	TUESDAY	DECEMBER 25, 2012

DATES TO REMEMBER - 2012

January 1	Fiscal Year Begins
February 4	Deliberative Session 1 PM - Ashland School Gym
March 1	Filing deadline for tax abatements
March 13	Official Balloting Day 9AM - 7 PM - Ashland School Gym
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 2010-11 year
April 15	Last day to file Current Use Application for 2011 year
April 30	2011 Dog tags expire
July 1	First Issue 2012 tax bill due
December 1	Second Issue 2012 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	Second Thursday of the Month - 6 PM - Location TBA
Electric Commissioners	Second/Fourth Tuesday - 7 PM - Utility Office
Water/Sewer Commissioners	First/Third Thursday - 5:30 PM - Utility Office

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