

Town of Grantham

New Hampshire

Annual Report for 2014



~PUBLICATION NOTES~

- Cover Photo: New Hampshire State bird (Purple Finch) was photographed by resident Sheridan Brown in his backyard.
- Other photos courtesy of David Beckley, David Wood, Jeremiah Fountain, Martha Norris, Marsha Googins, Jamielynn Garland
- Printing by: R.C. Brayshaw, West Lebanon, NH



Photos: Courtesy of resident Sheridan Brown. Top photo—Butternut Brook

Bottom photos— Redpoll Finches. Redpolls are winter finches that visit northern parts of our state (which is considered flying south for them) every couple of years. These were taken in the backyard of Grantham resident Sheridan Brown.

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Town Department Information

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE; 300 Route 10 S; 603-863-6021; fax 603-863-4499

Hours:	Monday.....	8am – 5pm
	Tuesday.....	8am – 5pm
	Wednesday.....	8am – 5pm
	Thursday.....	8am – 5pm
	Friday.....	8am – 4pm

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR; PO Box 135; 300 Route 10 S; 603-863-5608; fax 603-863-4499

Hours:	Monday.....	8am – 5pm
	Tuesday.....	8am – 7pm
	Wednesday.....	8am – 7pm
	Thursday.....	8am – 5pm; Closed for lunch from 12pm – 1pm
	Friday.....	8am – 4pm; Closed for lunch from 12pm – 1pm

DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY; PO Box 1580; 401 Route 10 S; 603-863-2172

Hours:	Monday.....	9am – 7:30pm
	Tuesday.....	Closed
	Wednesday.....	9am – 7:30pm
	Thursday.....	9am – 5pm
	Friday.....	9am – 12pm
	Saturday.....	9am – 2pm

FIRE DEPARTMENT; PO Box 80; 251 Route 10 S; 603-863-5710

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT; 36 Dunbar Hill Road; 603-863-9156; fax 603-863-4499

POLICE DEPARTMENT; PO Box 704; 300 Route 10 S; 603-863-6844; fax 603-863-8152

Non-Emergency 24-Hour Dispatch 603-863-3232; EMERGENCY 911

TRANSFER STATION; 1150 Route 114; 603-863-9713; fax 603-863-4499

Hours:	Sunday.....	9am – 4pm
	Monday.....	8am – 12pm
	Tuesday.....	Closed
	Wednesday.....	Closed
	Thursday.....	8am – 4pm
	Friday.....	10am – 4pm
	Saturday.....	8am – 4pm

MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

- Board of Selectmen: 2nd & 4th Wednesday; 5pm
- Conservation Commission: 3rd Monday; 7pm
- Library Trustees: 3rd Monday; 5:30pm
- Open Space Committee: 1st Thursday; 8:30am
- Planning Board: 1st Thursday; 7pm
- Trustees of the Trust Funds: 2nd Tuesday; 1pm
- Zoning Board of Adjustment: 4th Thursday; 7pm

Officials and Staff of Grantham

BOARD OF SELECTMEN	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
G. Warren Kimball, Chair	2017
Kenneth B. Story	2015
Constance A. Jones	2016
MODERATOR	
Susanna Schweizer	2016
Lorie McClory—Assistant Moderator	
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR – Melissa White	
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – Ann Jasper	
RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASSISTANT – Martha Norris	
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR	
Rita Friedman	2016
Cynthia Towle, Deputy	
TOWN TREASURER	
Christopher Morris	2016
Deputies: Stephen Adamic, Ann Neu	
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE (<i>Appointed</i>)	
Peter Guillette, Chair	2017
Paula Bresnick	2017
Robert MacNeil	2015
Patricia MacNeil	2017
Richard Valone	
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	
G. Warren Kimball	2017
Christopher Paquette	2016
Russell (Pete) Bailey	2015
CEMETERY SEXTON – Warren Legacy	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (<i>Appointed</i>)	
Sheridan Brown, Chair	2015
David Wood	2015
Richard Hocker	2017
Susan Buchanan	2017
Vacant	
<i>Alternates: Laura Nagy</i>	
<i>Selectmen's Rep: Kenneth Story</i>	
<i>Clerk: Caroline Hoen</i>	

Officials and Staff of Grantham

	<u>Term Expires</u>
DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
Katrina McCurley, Chair	2016
Ed Jenik, Treasurer	2015
Sara Lang, Recording Secretary	2016
Wendy Grant, Assistant Treasurer	2015
Karen Walsh, Corresponding Secretary	2017
LIBRARIAN – Dawn E.S. Huston; B. Joey Holmes, Assistant	
OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (<i>Appointed</i>)	
Thain Allan, Chair	
Craig McArt, Secretary	
Allen Wilson, Vice Chair	
Susan Buchanan, Conservation Commission Rep	
Charlie McCarthy, Planning Board Rep	
Conrad Frey, Zoning Board Rep	
PLANNING BOARD	
Carl Hanson, Chair	2015
Charles McCarthy, Vice Chair	2017
Mary Hutchins	2016
Karen Ryan	2015
<i>Alternates:</i> Thain Allan & Peter Guillette	
<i>Selectmen's Rep & Voting member:</i> G. Warren Kimball	
<i>Clerk:</i> Jamielynn Garland	
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	
Donna Stamper	2020
Sandra Noordsy	2016
Suzanne Goldman	2015
RECREATION PARK COMMITTEE (<i>Appointed</i>)	
Marsha Googins	
Julia Hautaniemi	
Jonathan Ames	
Nicole Mason	
<i>Selectmen's Rep:</i> G. Warren Kimball	
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS	
Robert Fogg	2016
James Coakley	2017
Robert Lewis	2015
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (<i>Appointed</i>)	
Conrad Frey, Chair	2016
Richard Mansfield	2017
Myron Cummings	2017
Margery Bostom	2017
Tanya McIntire	2015
<i>Alternates:</i> Sheridan Brown & Peter Guillette	2017
<i>Selectmen's Rep:</i> Constance A. Jones	
<i>Clerk:</i> Martha Norris	
ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR – Jamielynn Garland	
ATHLETICS DIRECTOR – Marsha Googins	
BUILDING CUSTODIAN – David Cullen	

Officials and Staff of Grantham

BUILDING INSPECTOR – Roger Woodworth

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR – David Beckley

F.A.S.T. SQUAD

Stuart Gillespie, EMT-Intermediate, Coordinator; Jeff Figley, EMT-Intermediate, Asst. Coordinator; Susan Figley, EMT-Intermediate; Jane Chipman, EMT-Intermediate; Jill Davis, EMT-Paramedic; Bruce Chipman, Advance EMT; Lori Avery, EMT; Erin Hammond, EMT-Intermediate; Ian Gill, Advanced EMT; Cory Howarth—in training for EMT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Jeremiah Fountain, Chief ; David Beckley, Deputy Chief; Lieutenants: Justin Hastings, Jason McMahon; Firefighters - Len Angelli; Rosie Bard; Robert Coburn; Hunter Coronis; William Follensbee; Ian Gill; Matthew Guerra; Christopher Lopez; Brandon Mason; Joshua Merriam; Robin Palermo; Jack Tibbits

FIRE WARDEN – Jeremiah Fountain

Deputies: David Beckley; Justin Hastings; Jason McMahon

GROUNDSCKEEPER – Glenn Carey

HEALTH OFFICER – Roger Woodworth; Dr. Richard Sachs, Deputy

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jeffrey Hastings, Road Agent

Brian Hastings, Plow Truck Driver (winter)

Thomas Bircher, Truck Driver/Equipment Operator (summer)

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Walter Madore, Sr., Chief; John Parsons, Sergeant & Prosecutor; Ryan Gamble, Officer; Travis Soucy, Officer; Judy DiPadova, Secretary

Specials: Tim Julian, Vince Cunningham, Robert Schwartz, Massad Ayoob

TOWN ARCHIVIST—Rae Tober

TRANSFER STATION—Chris Scott, Supervisor; Buddy Sweeney, FT Attendant; Ron Fowler & F. Robert Osgood, PT Attendants

WELFARE OFFICIAL – Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator

TOWN REPORT DEDICATION



When Wisconsin native and retired Army Colonel Merle Schotanus purchased property on the eastern slope of Dunbar Hill in 1971, one of his first projects was the renovation of Sam Walker's dilapidated old sugar house. It soon became clear that Merle and his family took to the task of hewing out a place in the woods with a passion that was genuinely heartfelt. In the years that followed, Merle would expand his interests to include a variety of roles as a public servant, ultimately building an impressive record that included fourteen years as a State Representative, thirty years as Grantham Town Moderator and twelve years as Trustee of the University System of New Hampshire.

As significant as these accomplishments are, of equal if not greater importance has been his passion for agriculture and conservation. While he owned and operated Sugar Springs Farm on Dunbar Hill, he was recognized as both New Hampshire Tree Farmer of the Year and New England Tree Farmer of the Year. While in the state legislature he served two terms on the House Environment and Agriculture Committee, and in 1992 was honored by the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association as Legislator of the Year.

Perhaps most telling is the more than thirty years Merle has been an avid supporter of the UNH Cooperative Extension. He assisted them while in the state legislature by heading a study committee that produced revised legislation for the Cooperative Extension, and he also worked to draft new agreements between the Cooperative Extension and county governments. As if Merle needed more awards, in 2010 his commitment was honored with the "Friend Of Extension" award. Merle also worked actively with the NH Farm Bureau, the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, and the Nature Conservancy.

Locally, Merle was a founding member of the Blue Mountain Snowdusters, an organization that, while originally intended to establish the maintenance and responsible use of snowmobiling trails, has since grown to promote such other outdoor activities as hiking, horseback riding and mountain biking. Under his leadership, the BMSD formed the Grantham Mountaineers Prouty Team in a community wide effort to raise money for cancer research. In 2014, they contributed \$27,201 to the Norris Cotton Cancer Center at DHMC. Merle also played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Reney Memorial Forest, protecting 413 acres of forest land for the use of future generations. He has also chaired the Grantham Conservation Commission and guided its efforts to raise consciousness regarding the importance of preserving the natural environment that is part and parcel of the beauty – and the future – of our town.

Merle may well have brought a love of nature with him when he first arrived in Grantham, but there's no question that he's actively and thoughtfully nurtured that passion over the course of the past forty years. We dedicate the 2014 Town Report to thank him for the years of generosity, commitment, and abiding love for the wild place that we call Grantham.

Board of Selectmen Report

In 2014, the town enjoyed stability amidst welcome additions. With the retirement of former road agent Joe Newcomb in November of 2013 we lost one of our most dedicated, long-term employees; however, we gained new road agent Jeff Hastings, who has proven to be a tremendous asset in his own right. Jeff, who worked as Joe's assistant for twelve years, brought his considerable talent and experience to the position and has done a masterful job of caring for the town's roads in all seasons. Warren Kimball, our Select Board chair, agreed to run again, and his unique combination of humor and wisdom continues to provide a sense of calm that is most welcome. Finally, while we lost police officer Dakota Titorenko-Geary, in November we added new officer Travis Soucy. We welcome him to Grantham and look forward to having him on the force.

The economy, while improving, continues to remain a challenge to the town. In addition to paying attention to reducing costs and trimming wherever possible, the Select Board has encouraged all our departments and committees to explore every opportunity to reduce expenditures and acquire funding outside of taxation. These options include grants, matching funds, and leasing.

Infrastructure improvements remain an important focus. While plans proceeded for the replacement of the town-owned bridge at the bottom of Olde Farms Road, the importance of replacing the fifty-year-old Miller Pond Road bridge has only become more evident. Work has proceeded on both projects, with the replacement of the Olde Farms Road bridge scheduled for the summer of 2015 and the commencement of the necessary planning, permitting, etc. for the replacement of the Miller Pond Road bridge as soon as possible.

Once again we thank our dedicated town volunteers. Significant growth in volunteer involvement has occurred in the Recreation Department, the Grantham Conservation Commission, and the new Open Space Committee. However, committees continue to experience turnover, so there are always opportunities for residents to lend their interest and talent. Please let any one of us know if you're interested and we'll do our best to find a position that you will find satisfying and worthwhile. Improving public participation in town government will always be a goal of the Grantham Selectboard.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Warren Kimball, Chairman

Constance A. Jones

Kenneth B. Story

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

As I look back on 2014, I cannot help but think how generous our community is. Whether it's serving on a town board or committee, volunteering to coach, referee or by donating to our local food pantry, our community is so very generous. THANK YOU!

Vision Government Solutions was hired to conduct a full-revaluation of all the properties in Grantham. The data collection was completed in the summer and the market analysis (review of recent sales that took place over the last two years to determine which market factors influenced property values) was completed over the winter. If your property was not inspected in the summer, you will receive a letter in the spring of 2015 requesting an inspection.

The Olde Farms Road Bridge replacement was delayed once again. As of this writing, new bids have been received and the Board of Selectmen will award the project soon. We estimate the project will get under way the last week in June 2015 and be completed before school starts at the end of August. During construction, that portion of Olde Farms Road will be closed to both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Please, for the safety of everyone, we ask that you do not cross the barriers onto Olde Farms Road until the road is re-opened.

When I was informed that the floor in the basement of the Town Archives building was rotten, I cannot begin to explain panic and worry that overcame me! With such an old building, one never knows what will be found behind walls and under floors. Fortunately, it was all concrete so we had the partitions and wooden floor removed. We now have a large (and dry!), well organized space for the supplies of our Recreation Department.

If you are new to Grantham, the Selectmen's Office is where you come for many things including assessing information, building permit applications, general assistance, planning and zoning board applications, Transfer Station information including hang tags (dump passes) and dump tickets for those items that require a fee to dispose of. This information is also on our website at www.granthamnh.net. We also have an email list, it's a great way to stay up-to-date on all the happenings in town!

In closing, I would like to thank my Receptionist Martha Norris and Assistant Ann Jasper, as well as the Rita Friedman and Cindy Towle in the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office. I also want to thank all the other Department Heads for pitching in where needed; we all work together and I truly appreciate their commitment to the citizens of Grantham!

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa M. White

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Town Administrator



Left to right: Town Administrator Melissa White, Receptionist Martha Norris and Administrative Assistant Ann Jasper

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Report

Hello to all Grantham residents, new and old. One of the more useful tools that we offer is the website, www.granthamnh.net. The home page shows the calendar with town events, meetings, revised hours and holiday closings. Under Departments, choose Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Tax payments, registration renewals, dog licenses and certified copies of Vital Records can be researched and paid on line using our website. Addresses can be updated on the Town website.

At our office you can **register motor vehicles, ATVs, snowmobiles and boats**. We **license dogs** and **issue hunting and fishing licenses**. This is where you **register to vote**. As Municipal Agents for the Department of Motor Vehicles we complete registrations for other towns which generate additional revenue for Grantham.

We are required to ask for photo ID for some transactions. We only accept checks or cash for all transactions. Please note that online transactions are electronic check transfers.

Property Tax bills are sent twice a year and are payable in July and December of each year. This is where you **pay your property tax**. The property tax year runs from April 1st to March 31st. Information about tax billing, payments and tax lien information can be directed to this office.

Assessing questions and concerns are referred to the Selectmen's office.

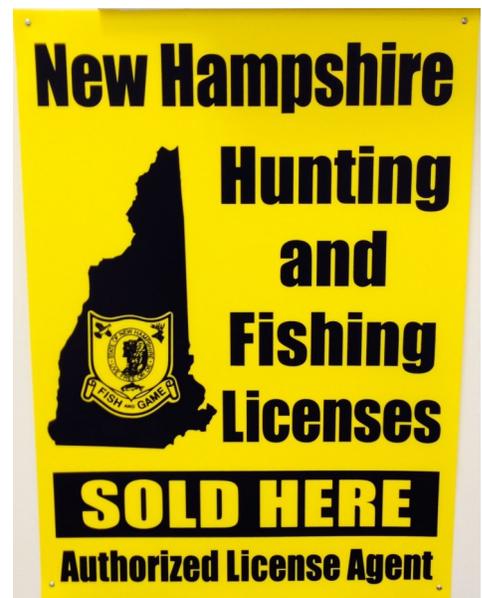
The Office is open for your convenience 5 days a week, which includes 2 evenings. We close from 12pm to 1pm on Thursday and Friday since there is only one person in the office on those days. We ask that you be in line 15 minutes before posted closing times so that we may serve you in a timely manner. We offer complimentary Notary service, directions to places in Grantham (for those lost along the way) and the ever present candy bowl.

As always we look forward to serving you in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Friedman, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Cynthia Towle, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector



State of New Hampshire

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COMMISSIONER OF SAFETY



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December 22, 2014

Rita Friedman, Town Clerk
Town of Grantham
300 Route 10 South
Grantham NH 03753

RE: Official Audit Report, Town of Grantham

On August 6, 2014, an audit was performed on the records of the Municipal Registration Agent in the Town of Grantham at the municipal office.

Attached are the following documents:

Audit Report

Digitally signed by Robert Lussier
DN: cn=Robert Lussier, o=Division of Motor Vehicles,
ou=Department of Safety, email=robert.lussier@dos.nh.gov, c=US
Date: 2014.12.23 13:29:55 -05'00'

Robert Lussier, Administrator
Division of Motor Vehicles



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
GRANTHAM MUNICIPAL AGENT AUDIT
AUGUST 6, 2014

To the Management of the Division of Motor Vehicles and the Grantham Municipal Agent:

We conducted an audit of the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Division of Motor Vehicles Grantham Municipal Agent on August 6, 2014. We conducted this performance audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

This report is the result of our evaluation of the information noted above and is intended solely for the information of the Department of Safety, Division of Motor Vehicles Management and the Municipal Agent.

This report details the results of this audit, including any observations and recommendations necessary to ensure compliance with applicable procedural rules set forth in New Hampshire RSA 261 Certificates of Title and Registration of Vehicles and Part Saf-C 519 Registration by Municipal Agents in the DMV Administrative Rules.

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Abbreviations

DMV	Division of Motor Vehicles
DOS	Department of Safety
RSA	New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated
SAF-C	DOS Administrative Rules
SOP	New Hampshire DMV Standard Operating Procedure
IDMS	Department of Safety Legacy Financial and Inventory Software
MA	Municipal Agent
MAAP	Department of Safety Registration Software

Introduction

Rita Friedman, the Grantham Town Clerk performs the duties of Municipal Agent for the DMV. Municipal Agents are governed by New Hampshire RSA 261 Certificates of Title and Registration of Vehicles and Part Saf-C 519 Registration by Municipal Agents of the DMV Administrative Rules. Additionally, each Agent is bound by the terms of the Municipal Registration Agent Contract entered into with the DMV prior to being granted registration authority, and should also follow guidelines provided in the Procedure Manual for Municipal Agents.

Ms. Friedman was certified as a clerk to perform registrations for the DMV on March 16, 1999. She has been the Municipal Agent for the Town of Grantham since August 9, 1999. She accesses the MAAP registration system through vendor software provided by Business Management Systems, Inc. The office is setup so that all transactions are processed over a counter providing a barrier between the public and the DMV inventory and revenues. After business hours the DMV inventory and revenues are further secured in a locked vault. Grantham is a single-check town. A sampling of deposit history revealed a general compliance with the ACH transmittal and reporting procedures established for this location.

Purpose and Scope of Review

This internal review, on a tested sample basis, was designed to determine whether the Municipal Agent located in Grantham, New Hampshire was in compliance within a limited scope area of inventory accountability, cash accountability, compliance with Department of Safety (DOS) Administrative Rule Part Saf-C 519 Registration by Municipal Agents, RSA 261 Certificates of Title and Registration of Vehicles, and RSA 541-A Administrative Procedure Act and established Division of Motor Vehicles Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).

On August 6, 2014, an audit was performed at the Grantham Municipal Agent Office, located at 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, New Hampshire. This Division of Motor Vehicle review was conducted in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards applicable to performance audits and, accordingly, we included such tests of the records, on a selected sample, and such other review procedures as we considered necessary and appropriate in the circumstances.

Methodology

We reviewed and analyzed various sources of information, including the State of New Hampshire laws, administrative rules, policies and procedures for the Division of Motor Vehicles, financial reports, Municipal Agent Help Desk call logs and other documentation as needed. To focus our efforts, we interviewed the MA regarding the operation and management of the Municipal Agency. We also performed on-site file reviews and examined information uniformity provided from all sources for our tested sample.

Review and Inspection Activities

The New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles conducted a review at the Municipal Agent's office located in Grantham, New Hampshire. The site review consisted of an interview with the Municipal Agent responsible for the specific functions that were tested. This interview is documented within our work papers.

Test of Controls

The MA was asked to produce the following documents and inventory to ensure that they were in compliance within the limited review areas with State of New Hampshire laws, administrative rules, and policies and procedures for the DMV.

1. All inventory on hand as of August 6, 2014 to be reconciled against inventory records provided by the IDMS/MAAP system.
2. State Daily Registration Logs and Deposit Receipts from the date of the last audit (October 30, 2013) to the current audit date (August 6, 2014).
3. Inventory receipts and damaged inventory documents from the date of the last audit (October 30, 2013) to the current audit date (August 6, 2014).

Conclusion

The Agent is generally in compliance with the applicable statutes, rules and procedures. The physical setup of the Agent's office and procedures in place provide adequate security for the revenue and inventories entrusted to the Agent.

At the conclusion of the audit all inventory entrusted to the Agent had been accounted for.

Supervisor's of the Checklist Report

We continue to update our checklist by weeding out voters that have moved and registered elsewhere. We are also sending out 30 day letters to those voters that we think may have moved and have not registered either in NH or another state. We do receive information from a few States when a voter has registered there, but certainly not all. It would be helpful if you are moving to another state that you let us know by sending a letter to the Town office to our attention.

We want to encourage all voters who registered before 2006 to come to one of our sessions or to the Town Office anytime to update their registration cards. Before the 2006 date we do not have information such as your driver's license number or a full middle name. This information is helpful as the State has encouraged us to keep up-to-date records and since we are a first in the nation Primary we are under greater scrutiny.

We want to thank those voters that worked as Inspectors of the Election and other volunteers. They helped make the process run smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Stamper
Sandy Noordsy
Suzanne Goldman

Planning Board

Site Plan Review

The Yoga Connection/SJG Trust Tax Map 226 Lot 20.1 - 151 Route 10 North

Jerzy Mitura: Tax Map 236 Lot 11 - 742 Route 114

Wood Browser, Inc: Tax Map 236 lot 11 - 742 Route 114

Saralyn Carr—The Farmers Table Café; Tax Map 226 Lot 021 - 249 Route 10 North

Stocker Brook Realty LLC; Tax Map 236 Lot 010 - 631 Route 114

Lorena Clay—Cosmetology Salon; Tax Map 233 Lot 026 - 120 Route 10 South

Grey Ledges Rentals & Properties - Melissa M. Allen Map 226 Lot 021 - Route 10 North

Lauran & James Steinmetz - Map 226-020 151 Route 10 North

Merger/ Annexation

Alan & Patricia Lambert; Tax Map 214 Lots 91& 92-Eastman, Deeryard Section 3

Mark & Donna Ellis; Tax Map 213 Lots 121 & 122 –Grantham NH

Don & Susan Goodwin; Map 214, Lots 018 & 019; Eastman Deeryard Section 3

Dennis & Glenda Johnson; Map 216; Lots 104 & 105; Eastman Burpee Hill Section 3

Town of Grantham/Dunbar Free Library; Tax Map 237 Lots 005 & 006

Maria E. Hanke; Map222-Lots 66 &67 Eastman Summit Drive

Subdivision Applications

David & Jean Avery; Tax Map 227 Lot 20

Boundary Line Adjustment/ Revised Map

Douglas Web Jr.; Tax Map 237 Lots 054; 054.1, 054.2 Split Rock Road

Sign Permit Application

Wendy Bircher—Tresk Interior; Tax Map 233 Lot 026—120 Route 10 South

Janice Vien—Yoga Connection; Tax Map 226 Lot 20.1—151 Route 10 North

Lorena Clay—Cosmetology Salon; Tax Map 233 Lot 026 – 120 Route 10 South

Grey Ledges Rentals & Properties – Melissa M. Allen; Tax Map 226 – Lot 021 Route 10 North

Lauran & James Steinmetz; Tax Map 226 – Lot 020 – 151 Route 10 North

Dunkin Donuts - Greg Sagris; Tax Map 233 – Lot 026--120

Tim Beard - Beard Automotive & Small Engine Repair Tax Map 235 Lot 017 – 1205 Route 114

Members: Chair Carl Hanson, Vice Chair Charles McCarthy, Karen Ryan, Mary Hutchins

Alternates: Thain Allan & Peter Guillette

Selectmen's Representative & Voting member: G. Warren Kimball

Clerk: Jamielynn Garland

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Special Exception of Article VIII for Home Business:

James and Lauran Steinmetz Tax Map 236 Lot; 102 Stocker Pond Road

Members: Chair Conrad Frey; Myron Cummings; Richard Mansfield; Margery Bostrom

Alternates: Peter Guillette and Sheridan T. Brown

Selectmen Representative: Constance Jones

Clerk: Martha Norris

Building Inspector's Report

74 building permits were issued for the calendar year 2014 as follows:

New Home—8

Garage—10

Shed—3

Accessory Structure—6

Deck/Porch—5

Addition—1

Commercial—5

Remodels/Other—36

There was a slight decrease in issued permits over the same period last year (78 permits). Well over 100 inspections were conducted. Property owners are reminded that all building permits must be displayed and made available for required inspections.

Also, street # signs for homes should be prominently displayed and observable from the road, at a minimum for safety purposes as well to facilitate the required inspections.

Please contact me at the Town Office (863-6021) or at home (863-5863) with any questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Woodworth
Building Inspector



POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

2014 is fast nearing an end and I am pleased to report that once again the Town of Grantham and our residents have not fallen victim to the type of crimes and tragic events that we read about in the papers on a daily basis. Having a safe community is not attributed to its Police Department alone, rather it is a combined effort with citizens watching out for each other and reporting unusual or suspicious activity. It is this relationship that makes Grantham the community it is and I wish to thank each and everyone for their cooperation and support.

The Grantham Police Department and the Grantham School District, through the NH Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, have applied for and been awarded grant funding for a School Emergency Notification System Project; COPsync911. COPsync911 is a "Real Time Threat Alert and Direct Connection" between schools and law enforcement officers designed to dramatically reduce response time in the event of an incident and provide real time situational updates directly to the responding officers. I am sure we can all agree that this is a proactive measure we hope to never have to rely on.

Once again the Town of Grantham lost a Police Officer to another department as Officer Titorenko resigned April 2nd to join the Newport NH Police Department. Subsequent to accepting applications, testing, and background investigations, a successful applicant was hired on November 10th. Please welcome Officer Travis Soucy, who will be attending the Full Time NH Police Academy beginning January 5th.

The Grantham Police Department handled over 2,000 calls in 2014 and again this year, it was our motor vehicle activity numbers that paid the price of short staffing, although we have surpassed last year's numbers.

The D.A.R.E. program at the Grantham Village School graduated 26 fifth graders this year. The Grantham Police Department participated in two National Drug Take Back events on April 26th, and September 27th. These are two very beneficial programs, which we intend to continue to provide for our children and community.

Old Home Day and Halloween are two events where the Police Department, along with the Fire Department, is out in force to assure the safety of everyone participating. Once again, this year's events were without incident.

Respectfully Submitted,

Walter A. Madore Sr.
Chief of Police



Resident, Fred Parsons donates a photo he took looking down onto Stocker Pond.



GRANTHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Sexual Assault.....	5
Harassment.....	2
Burglary/Attempt to Commit Burglary...	1
Theft (all)	15
Fraud (all).....	5
Criminal Mischief (Vandalism)	3
Possession/Sale/Mfg. Drugs.....	7
Disorderly Conduct.....	5
Pistol Permit Application	48
Sexual Offender Registration.....	17
Disabled MV/MV Complaints.	54
Bank/Business Alarm/Burglary.....	65
House Checks Completed.....	1003
House Check Requests.....	37
Unruly Juvenile	13
Road Obstruction-Traffic Problems	39
Suspicious Activity/Person-Vehicle	44
Assist Fire Department.....	24
Assist Other Police/NHSP/ECA.....	116
Public Assist/Welfare Check/Info Rq....	44
Suicide	3
Police Information	35
Animal Complaints (domestic/wild).....	44
Motorist Assist.....	47
Driving After Revocation/Suspension	7
Dog Control Laws	37
Fingerprints (employment/other)	39
Medical/Ambulance Call.....	78
Assist Town Clerk Dog Licensing.....	21
Subtotal.....	1858
*All Other Offenses.....	291
Traffic Citations/Warnings Issued	551
TOTAL INCIDENTS:.....	2700

***All Other Incidents include, but are not limited to:**
Simple Assault, Harassment, Computer Related Crimes, Forgery, Fraudulent Use of Credit Cards, Child Custody Issues, Littering, Juvenile Matters, Cruelty to Animals, Record Checks, Parking Complaints, Found/Lost Property, Chimney/Structure Fire, Request for Information, Motor Vehicle Accidents, Wires Down/Tree Limbs Down, Missing Persons, Protective Custody, Civil Standby, Passing a School Bus, Repossession, Warrant Arrests, Reckless Operation/Negligent Driving, VIN Verification, Papers Served or Attempted to Serve, Complaints

Emergency Medical Services Report

Grantham's Emergency Medical Service is an all-volunteer, non-transport agency of state certified medical personnel (Emergency Medical Technician's—EMT) who serve the town of Grantham and exist and function as part of the Grantham Volunteer Fire Department.

Call Statistics:

The Grantham EMS responded to 61 "911" emergency calls in 2014. The following is a general break down of those calls and the comparison with the previous year.

<u>Type of call:</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
MVA	13	15
Trauma – Fall	8	13
Trauma – Other	3	3
Medical – Cardiac / Chest Pain	11	12
Medical – Stroke / CVA / Seizure	2	3
Medical – Breathing difficulty	2	4
Medical – Other	12	31
Substance abuse + Psychological	0	3
Fire support and CO alarm	0	3
Medical Alarms and Lift Assists	9	6
Mutual Aid to other towns	1	0
Other	0	3

Membership and Certification Level:

Our membership and squad officers are as follows:

Stuart Gillespie EMT-Intermediate, Coordinator

Jeff Figley—EMT-Intermediate, Assistant Coordinator

Lori Avery—EMT

Jane Chipman—EMT-Intermediate

Bruce Chipman—Advanced EMT

Jill Davis—EMT-Paramedic

Susan Figley—EMT-Intermediate

Erin Hammond—EMT-Intermediate

Ian Gill—Advanced EMT

Cory Howarth—In training for EMT

Grantham EMS is an active participant in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee EMS Region and the New London EMS district C-5. Our Medical Resource Hospital for providing Medical Control is New London Hospital and our primary patient transport agency is New London Ambulance Service.

If you have any interest joining or learning about the squad, we are always looking for new volunteers. Please feel free to speak to one of the members, visit our new web site, which you can reach through the town's site <http://www.granthamnh.net/>, and e-mail one of us, or just stop by at one of our monthly meetings. These are held on the 2nd Monday of each Month at 6:30pm.

We as a squad would like to thank the people of Grantham and our town officials for their continued support and wish you all a safe and healthy year to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Gillespie
Coordinator



Grantham Fire Department

It's has been another great year for the Grantham Fire Department. For the second year in a row there is snow on the ground as I write this. Once again we hosted the annual Fire Department Open House and Health Fair this year, and again it was another great turn out. Our annual Neighbors helping Neighbors was another great success when Corporal Bruce King left the event we had already filled three large construction bags of toys for him to bring back and we continue to collect right up until Christmas. The fire department association again held our annual chicken barbeque at the Old Home Day and again we sold out. We hope to see you all at our upcoming events in 2015. As in past years the total number of fire department members has changed again, we have lost a few members, however this year we have and a few more members. We currently have 16 members who have varying experience levels. The department currently responds to emergencies with our 2000 Pierce Pumper, 2008 HME Pumper, 2002 Water Master Tanker, 1993 Ford Utility and 2015 Ford F250.

For the 2014 calendar year up to the point this letter was written the Grantham Fire Department has responded to a total of 89 calls for service. The following is the breakdown of major incident types for the 2014 calendar year:

- 6 Fires
- 21 Vehicle Accidents
- 11 False Alarms, Unintentional Activation
- 19 Service Calls
- 7 Medical Assists
- 8 Carbon Monoxide, Smoke or Odor calls
- 7 Hazardous Condition
- 10 Electrical/Power Line

As you can see the majority of our calls are for false alarms, service calls and vehicle accidents, these are a combination of different individual incident types.

Along with responding to the 911 calls, our Deputy Forestry Wardens have given out hundreds of permits for brush fire and seasonal camp fires.

I am happy to say that we have a great group of men and women at the fire department who are always ready to respond to emergencies and are eager to train. However, we are always looking for new members to join the department. If you have ever considered volunteering to help your community, the Fire Department could be what you are looking for. While our firefighters are paid on calls and some training, the largest portion of our work around the station is done on a volunteer basis. We are always looking for new members to join the department and experience is not required. Even if you don't wish to respond to emergency calls, we can always find something within your skill set to assist the department.

If you are interested in joining the Fire Department please feel free to stop by the station and talk with a member. Our monthly meeting night is the first Tuesday of every month or you may also call the department at 8635710.

I would personally like to thank all the members of the Fire Department and FAST squad for their commitment and dedication to the Grantham Community. These members donated many hours of their time over the last year and it is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay Fountain
Fire Chief

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.nhdfil.org.

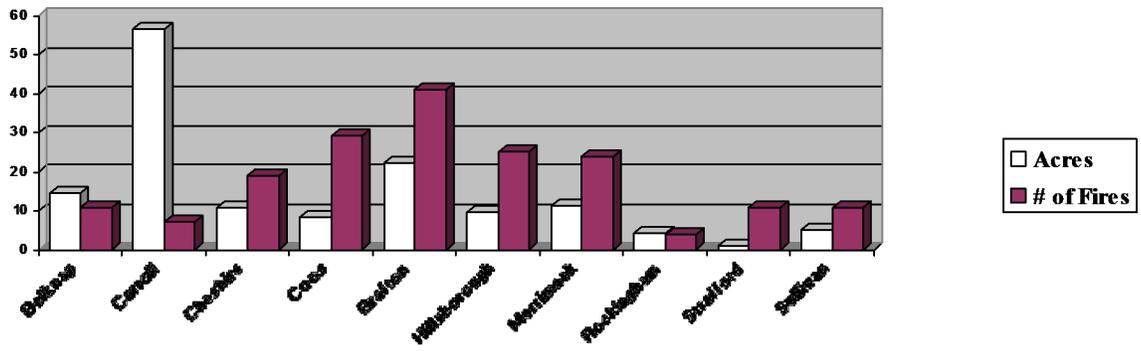
This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began very dry with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May. 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the town of Tamworth. From mid May through early September, above average rainfall kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September though brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning remote fires. Our fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. 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 capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2014 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, 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!

2014 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2014)

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

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	3.1	5
Carroll	24	4
Cheshire	6.8	7
Coos	5.3	18
Grafton	8.2	32
Hillsborough	6.1	20
Merrimack	15.5	11
Rockingham	1.1	8
Strafford	0.4	5
Sullivan	1.5	2



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED		<u>Total</u>	<u>Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
Arson	2	2014	112	72
Debris	52	2013	182	144
Campfire	10	2012	318	206
Children	2	2011	125	42
Smoking	5	2010	360	145
Railroad	0			
Equipment	5			
Lightning	1			
Misc.*	35 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)			

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

Midwestern New Hampshire Regional Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid District

The Town of Grantham Fire Department is a member of the Midwestern New Hampshire Regional Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid District, a group of fourteen cities and towns in the western part of New Hampshire that works together to prefer for and respond to hazardous materials emergencies. Member communities of the district are Lebanon, Hanover, Lyme, Springfield, Sutton, Newport, New London, Newbury, Enfield, Plainfield, Sunapee, Meriden, Claremont and Grantham. The New Hampshire National Guard Civil Support Team is also a member of the district.

The district is a member of the New Hampshire Hazardous Materials Collaborative, which represents all of the hazmat districts in the state as well as state agencies and the National Guard that meets periodically for training and planning. Through state and federal grants the district has purchased sophisticated chemical monitoring and identifying meters and computers as well as vehicles and equipment for responding to hazmat incidents. New state of the art metering equipment was acquired by the district in 2014. Companies that manufacture or store hazardous materials are required to file annual chemical inventory reports to the state and this information is the basis for a chemical database of hazardous materials in the area that is used for preplanning and in the event of an emergency.

Representatives from each of the cities and towns in the district meet monthly to train and review incidents and the latest information on hazardous material emergency planning. One of this year's training sessions was a comprehensive overview and response procedures for the new compressed national gas trucks that travel on I89 on a daily basis. Following a railcar chemical incident in Canada, the state conducted railcar emergency response training that members of the Midwestern District participated in. The members of the district participated in a spill and containment drill on one of the lakes in the district. Training was also conducted on responding to incidents at illegal drug labs that are appearing throughout the state. This year the New Hampshire Department of Safety sponsored a two day training conference for all of the state hazmat districts that brought in experts from throughout the region.

When the threat of Ebola surfaced during 2014, the leaders of the Midwestern Hazmat District worked together with the hospitals, Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security & Emergency Management and Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, the Department of Health and Human Services, the public health regions and the cities and towns throughout the district to ensure that procedures were in place, personal protective equipment was available and responder training was done. Although there were no cases of Ebola in New Hampshire, the work that was done in the planning and preparation demonstrated that the hazmat district is a valuable coordination and planning resource to the communities for emergencies resulting from other threats to the communities and not just chemical hazard emergencies.

Additional information on the district can be found on the district's website www.midwesthazmat.org Midwestern New Hampshire Regional Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid District Officers.

Respectfully,

Chair: Assistant Chief Jeff Libbey, Lebanon Fire Department
Vice Chair: Chief Dan Ruggles, Sunapee Fire Department
Secretary: Wayne Whitford, Newbury Fire Department
Treasurer: Chief Thomas, Newbury Fire Department

Emergency Management Report

2014 did not bring any declared emergencies to Grantham, however Grantham Emergency Management stayed busy. Activities have included; monitoring the Ebola threat, participation with the Upper Valley Regional Coordinating Council to plan for pandemic and other regional emergencies, participation with the Upper Valley Adaptation Workgroup to better understand resilience to climate changes. Further I participated in training for Emergency Planning for Schools and hosted a training for WebEOC for local and regional officials. WebEOC is the state's internet based emergency management software.

During 2014 Grantham Emergency Management did receive a FEMA Emergency Management Preparedness Grant for the revision of the town's Emergency Operations Plan. Work will begin early in 2015 with the town departments on this update. This year the sections of the Grantham Hazard Mitigation plan had to be updated to meet new requirements. The HazMit plan was resubmitted and as of the end of November 2014, its approval is still pending.

I continue to encourage the residents of Grantham to be prepared for emergencies or disasters. For Family Emergency Planning information visit www.readynh.gov/emergency-plan/ If you are interested in helping with Emergency Management or have questions about emergency planning for yourself or your family please contact me at 603-759-9390. During an emergency there are many activities to be completed, so whatever your skill set, you can help.

Respectfully submitted,

David Beckley

Emergency Management Director



North Branch of the Sugar River



Selectman Ken Story receives fire extinguisher training during our annual Flu Shot and Health and Safety on October 11, 2014.

~Photos courtesy of David Beckley~

Highway Department

Road Agent Report

I think we can all agree that the winter of 2013-2014 was a doozy! We had continuous storms that seem to take place on weekends for the most part. For that I need to thank Brian Hastings and Glenn Carey for their long hours of plowing fun.

We had a busy summer as well. We prepped and paved Walker Road and Learning Drive, the entrance of Rumbrook Road and a section of Dunbar Hill Road. Miller Pond Road received 180 feet of underdrain and an additional 900 feet of fabric and gravel. Smith Hastings Road receive the same. Our fingers are crossed that this will help during mud season. Most of our dirt roads were ditched. All were grated, raked and received routine summer maintenance.

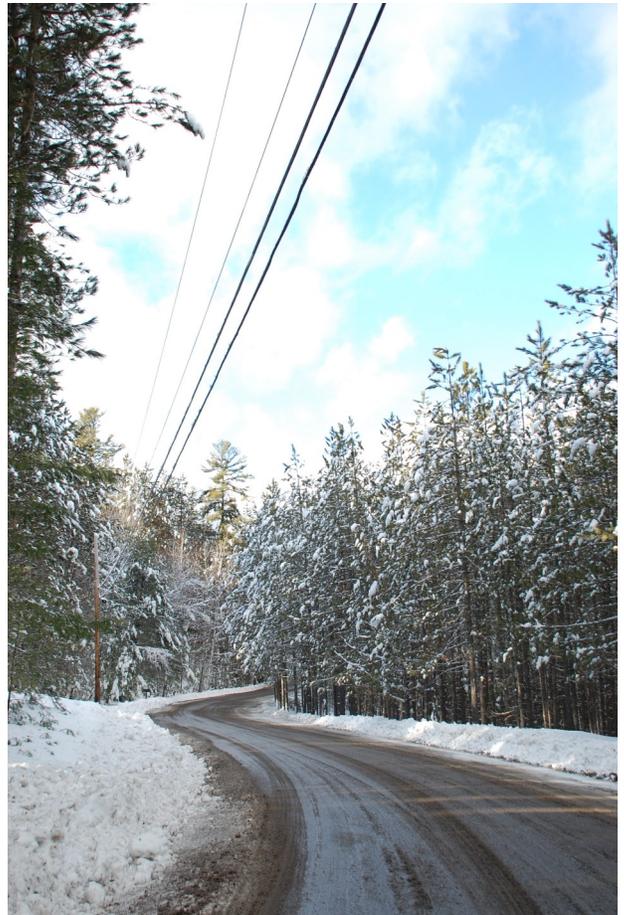
We expanded the entire infield of the Grantham Recreational Field as well as aerated and fertilized the fields twice.

I want to thank Tom Bircher for his help this summer; he was a tremendous help whether he was running a shovel or a piece of equipment. I look forward to working with him again this summer.

I would also like to thank the townspeople, Selectmen and other departments for their support and assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully,

Jeff Hastings, Road Agent



Transfer Station Report

Here we are with another year in the history book, and quite the year it was. As you can see, with the comparison of July 1 2012 to June 30 2013 and July 1 2013 to June 30 2014.

	<u>2012-2013</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>
MSW (Trash)	918.38 T	952.80 T
C & D	281.51 T	321.52 T
Total Waste T & E	1199.89 T; \$101,978.65 E	1274.32 T; \$109,617.06 E
Aluminum	3.27 T; \$3,012 R	2.68 T; \$2,483.74 R
Metal	43.78 T; \$8,798.72 R	51.36 T; \$10,541.95 R
Tin Cans	7.03 T; \$833.08 R	6.17 T; \$854.33 R
Cardboard	42.12 T; \$3,893.30 R	57.58 T; \$6,274.80 R
Glass	87.72 T; \$2,017.56 E	80.41 T; \$1,849.43 E
Paper	128.64 T; \$5,349.75 R; \$6,500 E	118.02 T; \$4,128 R; \$6,600 E
Plastic	33.04 T; \$578.61 E	31.2 T; \$713.56 E
Electronic Waste	11.54 T; \$3,088.82 E	13.787 T; \$5,048.39 E
Tires	19.4 T; \$2,231 E	18.36 T; \$1,992.05 E
Total Recycling*	376.54 T; \$21,887.60 R; \$14,415.99 E	379.57 T; \$24,282.82 R; \$16,575.78 E
Tickets Collected	\$14,865	\$19,345
Recycling Percentage	24%	23%

* T = Tons; R = Revenue; E = Expense

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Unfortunately, there was a big increase in the amount of waste this past fiscal year and only a very small increase in recycling. The increase in waste was 74.43 tons more than the prior fiscal year, meanwhile though, the increase in recycling was only 3 tons, that is not the direction we should be going. As a town we need to do better, there is a lot of material going into the trash that could be recycled. I understand it is easier to just throw it in one bin, but this is more expensive and a waste. I have looked into the zero sort recycling, but unfortunately that would increase our expenses and decrease any revenue, and there is no guarantee it would increase our recycling. Although I do not have the answer, I believe we can all work together to increase our recycling efforts.

We held a successful hazardous waste day this past July. The roof over the compactor is working well, by keeping snow and water from getting into the hopper.

In closing, have a great New Year and we will see you at Mount Trashmore, but remember it costs less to recycle than it does to throw it in the trash.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher C. Scott, Supervisor
Buddy Sweeney, Ron Fowler and F. Robert Osgood—Attendants



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

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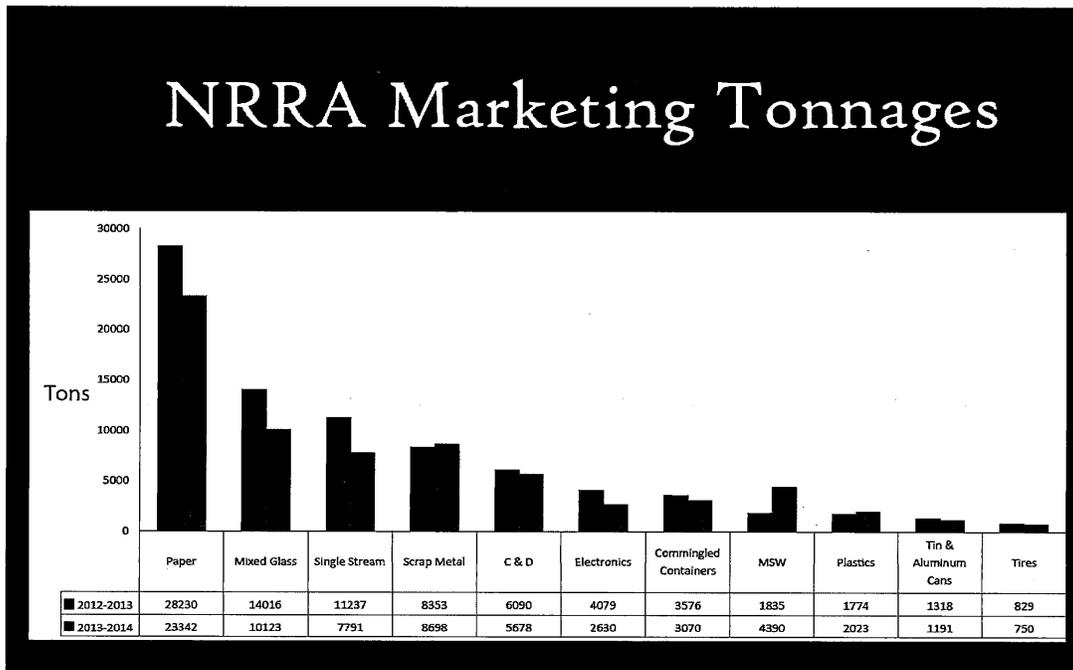
Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 33-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

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

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

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 69,686 tons in fiscal year 2013-2014!



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



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Grantham, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

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

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

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2014	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Electronics	30,191 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 5 houses for one year!
Paper	145.05 tons	Saved 2,466 trees!
Scrap Metal	51.13 gross tons	Conserved 51,032 pounds of coal!
Steel Cans	6.26 gross tons	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 364,520 hours!
Tires	19.25 tons	Conserved 19.2 barrels of oil!



Planet Aid
 17 Hampshire Drive Unit #9
 Hudson, NH 03051

Weekly Totals For:

Transfer Station - Grantham
 1081 Grantham Rd. New Hampshire 114
 Grantham NH03753

Year: 2014

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
268	60	228	403	409	394	262	265	262	1001	379	91	275

Quarter 1 Total: 4297

Week 14	Week 15	Week 16	Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24	Week 25	Week 26
276	341	0	615	365	259	283	510	659	0	1083	753	525

Quarter 2 Total: 5669

Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32	Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39
0	1817	0	365	378	548	0	0	1129	219	234	535	682

Quarter 3 Total: 5907

Week 40	Week 41	Week 42	Week 43	Week 44	Week 45	Week 46	Week 47	Week 48	Week 49	Week 50	Week 51	Week 52
461	230	648	287	322	595	341	0	963	283	168	184	0

Quarter 4 Total:
 4482

Grantham Athletics Report

It has been a busy year for the department and after 7 years as Athletic Director, I can say that the program participation has grown.

The spring season of baseball and softball was successful with 6 baseball teams from Tball to the Majors level (grades K-6) and a softball team at the 3/4 level. The baseball teams participated once more with the Kearsarge Valley Cal Ripken League which is comprised of towns south of Grantham. The softball team used the back field at the recreation park and played against Lebanon teams.

Summer months brought in the adult softball league using the larger baseballfield on Saturdays and an adult soccer group shared the outfield on Sundays. Both groups are going strong and are a welcomed addition for using the recreation park.

A Pre-kindergarten group also utilized the space for soccer and didn't want their season to end!

Fall months brought in the regular soccer season for all grades K-6. Grades 3-6 participated in games with the Merrimack Valley Soccer League out of the Henniker area but are comprised of 108 teams, grades 3-8. These teams are as far east as Loudon and south to Bradford. It is a well organized group and gives the players a great experience. The 5/6 grade boys team won first place!



Winter months brings the sports of basketball and cheerleading. There are three competitive teams of basketball, 2 non competitive (grades K-2) and a cheerleading group. Games are held on Saturdays and encompass area towns south of Grantham. This year, the league is choosing to have the teams participate in a Round Robin of games at the end of the season, promoting the ideals of fun and sportsmanship this department hopes to instill in its participants for all programs.

Taekwondo is a great asset to the Athletic Department and is at full capacity for each of the three sessions offered. Students of TKD learn to break boards, motions and more under the instruction of Stephen Hopkins of Grantham.

It is hard to describe the dedication needed by parents to support the programs this department offers. From coaching, assistant coaching, officiating, lining fields, maintaining equipment and transporting their children, the greatest resource this department has are its parents. This report goes out to all of these great parents and the incredible time they have spent to support the programs offered.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Googins
Athletic Director



Dunbar Free Library Trustees Report

It is an honor to be a member of the Dunbar Free Library's Board of Trustees. I have the pleasure of working with the outstanding staff and generous volunteers who make our library a vibrant and essential community resource. More important, I am encouraged by the unwavering support of the people of Grantham, whose continued generosity allows the Dunbar Free Library to provide superb resources for education, entertainment, and lifelong learning to all the residents of our great town.

As I look back on the important moments and events of the library this past year I am reminded that I am really looking forward. This was no more obvious than the 80th birthday celebration held for our library assistant, Joey B. Holmes. In lieu of gifts, Joey challenged us all to donate a dollar for every year we've known her, and her many friends and family rose to the challenge raising \$7,000 towards our future expansion. More recently we celebrated the release of Vermont resident Archer Mayor's 25th book in the popular Joe Gunther series. Of course, none of this would be possible without the dedication of our volunteer Fundraising Committee led by Lorie McClory and Wendi Grant. The assistance of this wonderful group has moved our library leaps and bounds closer to its goal. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the library's expansion fund, and be sure to watch for a beer tasting event this winter!

While many items were added to the collection this year, something else went noticeably missing. Autumn brought a flurry of excitement as Andy Gelston and Tom Ten Haken carefully dismantled the house next door to the Dunbar Free Library to make way for our new expansion. As much of the building as possible was salvaged, with funds from the sale of goods benefitting the library's expansion fund. The efforts of many have been involved in helping the Dunbar Free Library privately fundraise more than \$400,000 towards our expansion, but none more so than the generous support of the Friends of the Dunbar Free Library.



Chaired by Susan Wren, our Friends group is responsible for several of the numerous resources that make our library outstanding. The group provides free passes to area museums and attractions, has long sponsored the highly successful Summer Reading Program, brings us the Book Page monthly book review, and much more. Thanks to the Friends' remarkable leadership and generous local support, they provided additional funding to the library's future expansion with a donation of \$40,000. Please consider a contribution to help the excellent work of the Friends of the Dunbar Free Library continue to enrich our town.

The Dunbar Free Library's amazing staff (Dawn, Joey, Terri, Bobbi, Karen, and Andy) and plethora of volunteers work dutifully to make the library a valuable and welcoming resource to all who pass through its doors. In the fifteen years since our last renovation, the population of the town has increased and circulation has doubled, causing cramped shelving, overcrowding, and severely limiting event capabilities, particularly in the children's area. Much of the work preparing for an addition has already been completed using privately raised funds, but we need your help to complete this project. We encourage you to approve the library's bond request this March and offer your continued support of the library's much-needed resources and services. If you are interested in learning more, please stop by the library and speak to our director, Dawn Huston, about our current needs and future plans. With your help, together we can look forward to many more years of exemplary service.

Respectively submitted,

Katrina McCurley
Chair, Dunbar Free Library Trustees



The Friends of Dunbar Free Library donate \$10,000 of their \$40,000 pledge to the expansion fund.



Andy and Tom working to take down the house next door, another fundraiser for the expansion.

Dunbar Free Library

Hours: Mon & Wed 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

Thurs. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri. 9 a.m.-Noon; Sat. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Dawn Huston, Joey Holmes, Bobbi Travis, Terri Heepe, Karen Goldstein, and Andy Gelston

In FY '14, the library was wonderful, and wonderfully busy! At any given time we had more than 3000 items checked out from the library. For the whole year, you (2074 of you library card holders) borrowed 53,188 times from us, 1234 times from other libraries, and downloaded ebooks and e-audiobooks 3808 times (that's an increase of more than 680 from last year) for a grand total of 56,996 circulations! The items you borrowed included books, magazines, audiobooks, movies, music, puzzles, games, museum passes, and the odd piece of equipment.

Programs: You came through our doors at least 32,747 times, and attended 141 programs that we held at 4 different venues for a total audience of 3155 children and adults. The Summer reading program included a Lego evening, cartoon instruction for the tweens, stories and crafts galore about "digging deep" from the London Underground (the "tube") to stalactites hanging from the ceiling and all ending with a Singalong and ice cream social with perennial favorite Steve Blunt. There were adult programs in the summer as well, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to us through our own Dwight Wilder, the North Country Chordsmen sang to us, Jane Rice told us about NH flyer Bob Fogg (we've got the book if you missed that program!) These programs were sponsored by the Friends of Dunbar Free Library (who also sponsored and many of the summer reading events) in partnership with ECA. In the summer and fall we also had a series of somewhat serious grownup programs: Dr. Mark Nunlist and Cappy Nunlist, Esquire spoke about end of life decision making or What you Really want Your loved ones to know that you WANT. Do you have a will and an advance directive, someone to make financial decisions and health decisions? That was followed by information on the Affordable Care Act in October, and Social Security consultant Ken Barron. December brought a holiday celebration co-sponsored with the Friends and ECA that is fast becoming a tradition. As far as the rest of the year was concerned, there were TONS of story-times, Hallowe'en trick-or-treating at the library where part of the treat was that every child and a fair number of adults got a book to take with their candy, occasional "maker-spaces" (for example there were some really cool "star wars" snowflakes in January) and a Fancy Nancy "Tea" in May which was the product of another community partnership, this time with "FUN" ("Our Town"). This partnership also produced the celebration of Dr. Seuss in March which has taken place on and off for several years now. One last partnership: the Grantham Village School brought the whole school in a series of 14 visits over 3 weeks to visit us, I was a mystery reader once at a GVS event, and we held our opening event for this summer's summer reading program of "Fizz Boom Read" there! Might have missed a few of our events, but I do have to mention

over 3 weeks to visit us, I was a mystery reader once at a GVS event, and we held our opening event for this summer's summer reading program of "Fizz Boom Read" there! Might have missed a few of our events, but I do have to mention one more: among the fundraisers that have taken place since August '13, there was a series of classes for youth on decorating gingerbread, and the end product was a gingerbread model of Dunbar Free Library, with real green frosting. This became an object for bids, (proceeds to go to the Expansion Fund). Well, the holder of the winning bid decided to donate the house BACK to the library, in conjunction with a gingerbread house story time, so we read "Hansel and Gretel" and after the witch was pushed into the fire all the attendees ate the house! It was great fun smashing it!

Collection: We have over 25000 items in the collection. That includes 80 magazine titles, 11 museum passes, 1911 audios, 2346 videos, 21041 books, 44 games, 112 puzzles, and 14 various devices we lend.

Item type	# items	#circulations
Adult fiction (mystery, sci-fi/fantasy...)	5,101	9,378
Adult non-fiction (travel, parenting, bio...)	4,140	3,627
Children's fiction	7,122	15,548
Children's non-fiction	3,437	2,783
Teen fiction	671	1,345
Teen non-fiction	128	44
Videos (Movies, Documentaries, TV series)	1,393	6,505
Children's videos	953	3,749
Audios	1,285	2,934
Children's audios	407	945
Magazines (items counts each copy)	1,100	2,229
Downloadable audios (as of Dec '13)		1,357
Downloadable eBooks	15,668	2,541

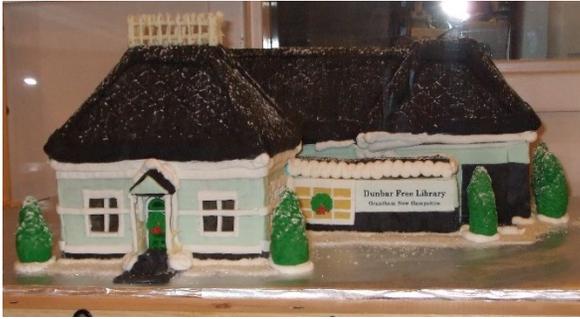


The jug on the counter has netted at least \$1400 since it was placed there for the expansion fund.

Working: The library was open for business 1791 hours in FY '14 and there were at least 2 staff almost every one of them. We welcomed Karen Goldstein, who took over from Lisette Scott as Children's and Programming Assistant. In addition to the paid staff, VOLUNTEERS make the library work. Whether they volunteered at the circulation desk, shelved, prepared items so they could be checked out or cleaned/mended those that had been out, the 1881 hours our volunteers put in at the library were invaluable. Those were just the ones who signed in! Then there were the committee members who helped steer our expansion effort, first with planning, then with fundraising. And the trustees: outgoing Susan Mellow, incoming Sara Lang, and continuing Ed Jenik, Wendi Grant, and Katrina McCurley certainly do more than just come to meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Huston, Library Director



DFL as a gingerbread house (we ate it!)



Tweens' cartooning workshop



Some of our Trick-or-treaters.



Some of our Trick-or-treaters picking books!

“Our Town” Activities Department

How “berry” excited I am to tell you how great this year turned out to be! I am having an amazing time being the Activities Director for the Town of Grantham. Since the first of the year I have done a lot of planning for events both new and old. This is a bit of a look into what a great time we have had in town:

Feb 3rd –Tiki Trek - With amazing dedication from BMSD they cleared the very snowy Grantham Park and Recreation Field and had a bonfire with hot cocoa and cookies. All week it had been miserably cold so our turn out was not what we had hoped for. We had a total of about 25 people come and enjoy the winter wonderland that had been created.

Feb. 22nd – Mac and Cheese Contest - I entered the David’s House Mac and Cheese Contest, at The Center at Eastman, 20 + contestants. My dish consisted of Parmesan and cheddar cheeses (6lbs donated by Cabot) tomato and thyme which added a great twist to this comforting classic. I found this a great way to show the many sides of what Activities can do in the town, I displayed upcoming events and actually had 3 Eastman residents join me at the walking program a few times who had no idea of that option in town.

Feb 24 – Walking Program - We started The Walking Program with an average of 50+ children each morning, along with a few older community members. Participation never fell below 46 children and had a high of 72! This is a great way to be active during the really cold months.

March 9 – Read Across America - We said Happy Birthday to Dr. Seuss with The Dunbar Free Library during Read across America week. A total of 28 children and their parents help to collect birthday themed non - perishable items. Also we made Cat in the Hat skewers with Strawberries and marshmallows and Cat in the Hat masks. As Karen Goldstein read Seuss stories to the children, always a huge hit in town.

April 11th – Kathy Parsonnet from Tip Top Artist - The artist came to Grantham and made “Fraglets” which are magnetic art collages, and children left with a print framed for \$15 and the magnets as a bonus. We had 25 participants join in the fun. It is great to bring the arts to town.

April 19th – Egg hunt - The Bunny was really hopping this year! We set up in the GVS gym and Cafeteria as the fields were still to damp with snow. We had 3000 new Easter eggs and Sugar River Bank filled them for us with candy and toys we provided. This year it was during Spring Vacation.

May 9th – Fancy Nancy - Along with the Dunbar Free Library we had a great time at Fancy Nancy Mother Daughter story and crafts brought. 54 Mothers and Daughters came to this event. It was fancy free and we had a blast! The girls came dress up and everything was pink!

May 10th - Mother and Son Magic Show and Pasta Dinner - This year was magical, 78 people attended and we had a new photographer and she was amazing. We had pretzel stick magic wands dipped in white chocolate as the centerpieces and the pasta was a huge success for bellies and my budget! We charged \$30 a couple and \$10 each additional son.

May 31 - Town Wide Yard Sale - Wow is all I can say about this event! We passed out 137 maps by 11 am and it was also posted on our website. Inside the town hall I had 17 tables and 26 stops all across town. A few girls held a bake sale for to support the new addition of the library and they sold out. The weather was beautiful all day.

June 7 - Father Daughter Dance - We had a DJ, desserts and dancing. Frozen seemed like the perfect theme this year. The girls made their fathers a boutonniere from fresh flowers. 74 people attended all dressed up and having a ball. So maybe it started out a bit wet but the sun came out eventually!

July 4 - Old Home Day - Rain, Rain didn't go away but the show went on anyway! The parade was wet but patriotic. Continuing at the Grantham Park and Recreation Field the Grantham Fire Department sold their famous chicken dinners and Blue Mountain Snow Dusters made hamburgers and French fries. We hired a juggler - Bryson Lang and mime - Chris Yerling, which were watched under one of our three tents. The Berg Family once again wowed us with their "old time" gaming skills.

Picking Blueberries - Late July – August - I was "berry" lucky to have over 12 "blue crew" helpers to help us be so successful with our picking this year. I was able to sell over 60 pints to Farmers Table and over 100 pints to Rumbrook Market. I am very thank full for all their help! We were even able to freeze some berries and made blueberry syrup to be served at Breakfast with Santa.

Music in the Meadow – July – August - Hot dogs, pickles on a stick and ice cream were served during each concert. The Flames performed for us the first week with 65 people attending. Jim Hollis performed the second week and even though a thunder storm rolled in 55 people still braved the weather and enjoyed the music. Melissa Durkee and the Men in Black Band performed the third week with 72 people attending. The superb weather helped attendance! The last two weeks were changed to include children performances. We hired a magician/comedian to perform and 70 adults/children attended. To end the summer, we hired performers, Steve, Marty & Joey and they did a fantastic job and 93 adults/children attended this performance! It was exciting to see the amount of people and how much the new pavilion just made the atmosphere so much more enjoyable!



September 14 – The Children’s Museum of NH – Upcycling - Together with the Transfer Station and Dunbar Free Library at the Town Hall... Children were able to use recyclables in an upcycling kinds of way. From making necklaces out of scrap paper to making robots with toilet paper rolls and other supplies.

September 26 – Scarecrows - The calls started coming into the Town Hall before the end of Septmeber! This year I did things a little more community friendly, and offered the scarecrows to businesses for \$75 each and town residents for \$40 and \$25 if they bring back scarecrow skeleton next year to be rehabilitated. I had a lot of inquiries from people and feel it a great fundraiser for Activities! All the proceeds to go future activities! Some new scarecrow this year were Always Moving, Tresk Painting, Blue Mountain Kennels, Gilson Maintenance, Legacy Landscaping, Kearsage Magazine just to name a few. Thank you everyone for helping to raise money for Grantham Activities Department. It means more then you could imagine.

October 25 - Munchin' Monster Mash - With the Athletics Department we added a dinner/dance event to this year's Halloween festivities. The Athletics Department sold food in the café as we had the Halloween Dance going on in the Gymnasium. With having Jim Hollis DJ and still providing games and contests as in the past. The costumes were amazing and Wesley Johnson got Best overall with his bookworm costume. Horton's Farm and Daisy Hill Farm provided Pumpkins to decorate and the party was a graveyard smash!

October started our Cookie Classes with Missy Walla – Resident Missy Walla, and owner of One of a Kind Cookies, LLC provided monthly classes to children. Each month presenting a different themed creation. The classes are registration only and have 12 slot each. These classes have sold out within a few days of posting. October theme was Haunted Gingerbread houses, November was 3-D Turkeys, and December was the traditional Gingerbread House and snow globe cookies. Each class cost \$10 and children left with priceless memories to last a lifetime.



November 9 - Veteran's Community Gathering - With special help from Bob Osgood I was able to spread the word about having a Veterans Gathering at the Town Hall. The Historical Society came and interviewed the Veterans and also had a forum with them all together. It is amazing the amount of Veteran's we have living and in memory in Grantham. The stories told were amazing to the listener but my most memorable quote was the Veteran who said" he hadn't even thought about his service until today." That made me eager to find more ways to help our community to become awareness of everyone who had served and that one day a year is far from enough to thank them for all they have done, did, and do for us.

Grantham Snowmen - With help from Dave Kinne and Glenn Carey we were able to create wooden snowmen as another fundraiser for the Grantham Activities Department. We sold 17 snowmen to residents of Grantham.



December 6 - Breakfast with Santa and Friends - The snow fell all night making this a perfect way to start our white Christmas celebration with Santa. We served pancake, sausage and juice. Dunkin Donuts donated a lot of Munchkins and the Blue Mountain Snow Dusters donated Hot Cocoa. We had Maple syrup from Daisy Hill Farm and also homemade blueberry syrup from our own Grantham Blueberries. 275 was the estimated number of friends that joined us to celebrate the start of the holidays. We auctioned off a snowman to benefit the Recreation Park and the Britton family were the lucky winners. Holly Jolly Santa and his elves (the Grantham Girl Scouts) passed out bells and a candy cane to each child.

December 6 - Gingerbread decorating and Christmas tree lighting - Later that day we enjoyed decorating Gingerbread men donated by Missy Walla and read a few holiday stories then Rosie Goldstein was chosen to light the Town Hall Christmas tree. We sang Jingle bells and she lite the tree, we had a great time as the rain stop just long enough for us to be outside.

December 10 – Gingy the Gingerbread man - He started to travel through town, where he stops nobody knew. I always enjoy how the younger children get so excited to see him then they wonder where he goes. If only they knew how much work it is to make sure they don't see him move.

In closing, I want to thank all my volunteers for being such a terrific group of people even after all the craziness I throw at them, they never stop offering to volunteer. I am honored to live in such an amazing town and with wonderful friends to share it with.

I need to especially thank my husband Owen for always guiding and supporting me and for always taking the breath for me that I forget to take. I am very lucky to have both you and Max.

Also, I want to send a special thank you to all my co-workers for all the time you take out of your days to help me make all these events happen.

Respectively submitted,

Jamielynn Garland
Activities Director

Town Archivist Report

The Archives is housed in a two-room schoolhouse built in 1857. It was big enough to hold all the students of our town residents from 1969 to 1983. The Town Archives shares this building with the Grantham Historical Society. One room and the old vault (this building was once the Town Offices until 2005) is filled with the records of the town of Grantham, New Hampshire.

What records are kept here.....the shelves are stocked with documents, and books of all sorts: ledgers, minutes of meetings, selectmen's reports, non-restricted births, marriages and deaths, 1790 to 1940 Censuses, (except 1890, explained below); treasurer's books, town histories, photos illustrating town functioning, tax collector's, auditor's reports, zoning maps, school records, permits, plus more items used by a town's governmental organization. Not all are complete records but the document collection increases every year as more retention requirements are made into law.

The only census that has not survived is the 1890 census even though it was the first to use punchcards and an electrical tabulation system. Prior to 1890 the census's papers were sent to the Washington DC with a copies kept in the county clerks' offices. Unfortunately this did not happen and in 1921 a fire and then water-damage destroyed all but a few of the papers from the 1890 census.

Once again we are receiving many ancestor and genealogical information requests from individuals whose family members were born, married, lived, worked or died in Grantham.

This year I have received six requests in a row for information about ancestors who were in Grantham between the 1700s and early 1800s. I have utilized the restored town books that display the original entries. Even though the words were written in cursive letters, the individual entries are as difficult to decipher as the doctors' handwriting today.

My yearly request: If you or anyone you know is cleaning out an attic, basement, storage bin, or even a house, please alert the Town Archivist. Many residents who were involved in town politics may still have records that could be used to relate ancestors with events and places. Family histories, old newspapers about Grantham, or photos are treasures to history. Dates, places and relationships are so important.

We should all be looking forward to the 250th Celebration of the Town of Grantham NH 1767 to 2017. You can visit the Archives at the Little Old School House on Dunbar Hill Road, Fridays 1-4 pm.

Thank you,
Rae Tober Volunteer Town Archivist

Phone: 603-863-9701 granthamnarchives@gmail.com



Conservation Commission Report

The Grantham Conservation Commission (“GCC”) is an advisory board charged with encouraging “the proper utilization and protection of... natural... and watershed resources...” under authority granted to the Town by RSA 36-A:2. The GCC fulfills this mission primarily by research and education, maintaining indexes of important lands and waters, making recommendations for the protection of natural resources to the Board of Selectmen (“BOS”) and Planning Board, and managing conservation lands purchased by the Town.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS

Brookside Park: At the GCC’s request, the Selectmen approved the purchase of a six acre parcel for addition to Brookside Park using existing funds reserved for the acquisition of conservation lands. Brookside Park—now 20 contiguous acres—features picnic tables and trails alongside Skinner Brook. The Park is located approximately 1 mile north of the Exit 13 Park and Ride on Old Route 10.

Setting Conservation Priorities: The Open Space Committee (“OSC”), created by the Selectmen in 2013 at the GCC’s recommendation, continued its work to update its indexes of open space and critical natural resources. The OSC made significant progress this year in ranking the natural resource values of local lands. This work will ensure that future conservation efforts and purchases continue to be well informed.

Developing a Conservation Funding Strategy: An important goal of Grantham’s Master Plan is “to protect and conserve Grantham’s natural and scenic resources... to uphold the health and function of these interconnected systems.” Therefore, the GCC has been soliciting the advice of local land trusts and other conservation commissions to determine how the permanent protection of appropriate undeveloped lands in Grantham might best be funded.

While the GCC plans to aggressively pursue state, federal, and private funds, it is likely that some level of local financial support will still be necessary. Programs such as New Hampshire’s Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) offer significant financial support for land protection, but they also usually require a local match.

In addition to more obvious benefits, land protection efforts hold down the cost of community services for local taxpayers. Open space and working farms and forests in New Hampshire require on average only \$0.56 in services for every \$1 paid in taxes, while residential lands require an average of \$1.12 in services. (American Farmland Trust, *Cost of Community Services Fact Sheet* (Northampton, MA: Farmland Information Center, 2010)). This is particularly important in Grantham, which has experienced some of the fastest residential growth in New Hampshire during the past several decades.

Membership Changes: GCC lost several key members in 2014 with the resignation of Lindsey Lefebvre, Joe Watts, and Connie Howard, who gave many great years of service to the GCC. The task of replacing these members deepens our appreciation for them, but also opens our eyes to the wealth of talent residing right here in Grantham. We are pleased that Laura Nagy, a conservation biologist and ecologist with broad experience, has recently joined the GCC.

2015 GOALS

Improved Community Engagement: Throughout the state, the members of conservation commissions, including the GCC, are aging (and eventually resigning). If we are to preserve the rural character of our Town and its strong community spirit, we must find ways to encourage the next generation of community and environmental stewards to appreciate what is here, to stay, and to be actively engaged in Town affairs. To this end, the GCC will partner with the Recreation Department and other entities to host:

- Bird walks, hikes, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, blackberry picking, and other family-friendly activities on Town conservation lands.
- Presentations on conservation topics of interest for all ages, including a show or two featuring live wildlife.

Make sure you don't miss these fun events as they are scheduled by checking the Grantham Community Calendar regularly or signing up for email updates at the Town's website, <http://www.granthamnh.net/>.

Improved Access to Town Conservation and Recreation Lands: In the coming year, the GCC also plans to develop trail maps and make them available online so that residents can more easily find and enjoy places like Grantham's Town Forest, Brookside Park, Sherwood Forest, and Class VI (unmaintained) roads for recreation. We also plan to improve the Brookside Park trails themselves, including the addition of a bridge over Skinner Brook in the near future.

Please Join Us!

Your input and support are crucial to preserving Grantham's important natural resources. We hope you will please consider attending a GCC meeting (at Town Hall on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 p.m.) or one of our other events in the coming year so we can hear from you. If you might be interested in joining the GCC as one of its members (we currently have two vacancies), or helping in some other capacity, please let us know. No specialized training is required—just an interest in furthering conservation efforts and keeping Grantham a special place.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheridan Brown
GCC Chairman



October 2014 perambulation of the Grantham/Plainfield line. From the left: David Wood, Renee Gustafson, Dick Hocker, and David Beckley

Historical Society Report

Last year was an eventful year for the historical society. Some gains to be sure, but also some losses. Like most small volunteer organizations, we remained true to our mission and made progress on a number of fronts; unfortunately, at the same time, we lost two valued board members whose presence and contributions will be sorely missed.

Dr. Pat Andrews, who has served the society in various capacities – including board member, recording secretary and vice-president – relocated from the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee region to Concord to be closer to family. Over the years, Pat shared her intelligence, talent and energy with the society in a variety of ways, including regular assistance with cataloging our growing collection, working with the town archivist to coordinate access to resources, editing our quarterly newsletter, and perhaps most important of all, working with the Horton family heirs to inventory and catalog their extensive family collection of artifacts. Pat brought great focus to the society and we grew to count on her for many things. We wish her well in her lovely new home and will be in touch with her regularly. While she will continue to be involved from afar, we will miss her direct involvement.

Craig McArt also left the board last year. Although I'm pleased to say that he has neither left town nor the historical society, Craig has been a force in terms of bringing the society into the digital age with the scanning of historic photographs, the organization of those images, and his efforts to popularize our considerable collection of historic photos through such vehicles as the calendar and other digital presentations. I'm pleased to say that Craig will continue to work with the collection as a volunteer, but his monthly input in the organization and improvement of our group will be missed. We thank both Pat and Craig for their generosity.

Pat's departure left a number of voids in the society, but none felt more keenly than in her role as editor of our quarterly newsletter. We have identified at least one new volunteer to take over that responsibility and look forward to working with her to maintain the high level of quality we've all come to expect.

The completion of our published history of the town is imminent. We have been in touch with a potential publisher, and the hope is to have the entire text ready for publication by the summer. We thank all our members and friends for their patience as we wrap-up this large and expansive project.

Our programs last year included our annual meeting in May, which featured a potluck supper and presentation by Dartmouth College professor Dr. Allen Koop of New London, New Hampshire. His talk, entitled "White Mountain Huts: The Past and Future," covered the colorful history of the hut system in the White Mountains, its European origins, and a few of the characters who helped to create it. Although we did not have a fall program *per se*, we did host a holiday *a capella* performance in December by Aged To Perfection, a singing group with strong ties to Grantham. They sang a broad variety of compositions and regaled all present with their humor and flawless harmonies. As I said at the end of their performance, the downstairs room at Grantham Town Hall never sounded so good.

The collections committee continues to receive donations of both documents and objects related to Grantham history. We are always thankful for the thoughtfulness shown by people who have a connection to our town, whether or not they live here, and the trust they have in us to preserve and interpret these items. We thank all our generous donors.

As always, I thank Secretary Christina McKahan, Treasurer Kathi Osgood, and board members Linda Bohrer, Rae Tober and Dwight Wilder. They continue to devote considerable attention to their roles as volunteers in service to our group; their time and engagement are invaluable.

Please remember to visit our webpage (www.granthamhistoricalsociety.org) and our Facebook page, searchable by “Grantham Historical Society.” We continuously update the page with historic information, historic photos, and with notices of upcoming events, projects and volunteer opportunities.

Finally, thanks to our membership for their abiding support of what we do. We always encourage new members to join; please contact any of us regarding our society, any questions you may have, and how you can get involved.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Story
President



UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) has been providing professional planning assistance to municipal boards since 1963, when it was formed as the Upper Valley Development Council. The Commission is one of nine regional planning commissions in New Hampshire created to coordinate inter-municipal planning, act as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies, and to provide advisory technical assistance on land use and development issues. The Commission serves 27 communities in Grafton, Sullivan, and Merrimack County.

In 2014, the Commission was engaged in more than 30 local, regional and statewide planning projects. The year was highlighted by the completion of the draft UVLSRPC Regional Plan (available online at regionalplan.uvlsrpc.org). The vision, goals, and strategies presented in the plan are the result of the largest public outreach process ever undertaken by the UVLSRPC. Public input included guidance from the UVLSRPC Regional Plan Advisory Committee, analysis of the 27 municipal master plans from the region's communities, participation at special events around the region, meetings with municipal leaders, an online forum specific to the UVLSRPC region, and a telephone survey of residents of the region. While the UVLSRPC Regional Plan is advisory in nature, purpose, and effect, the plan is intended to strengthen the decision-making capacity of local governments by providing information and guidance that can support municipal master plans and policies.

The Commission also adopted the UVLSRPC Regional Broadband Plan in 2014. Broadband access remains a substantial challenge for both rural communities and businesses in our region. The Broadband Plan details the availability of (and gaps in) broadband services throughout our region, and identifies a series of strategies to achieve 20 Mbps Download/10 Mbps Upload speeds in all areas of our region by 2020. The Regional Broadband Plan is available online at www.uvlsrpc.org.

Christine Frost, who had served as Executive Director of the UVLSRPC since 2007, departed to become the Executive Director of the North Country Council. Rachel Ruppel, the Commission's GIS Coordinator since 2007, relocated to Bend, Oregon with her family. Similarly, Yutian Zhang, the Commission's Finance Manager since 2009, relocated to New Jersey with his family. We thank Christine, Rachel, and Yutian for all of their contributions to the Commission and wish them the best of luck in their new endeavors! Nathan Miller, the Commission's Planning Director, was promoted to Executive Director in March 2014. The Commission also welcomed Gregori Somoff as Finance Manager, Amber Boland as GIS Coordinator, and Meghan Butts as Assistant Planner.

Please feel free to contact me at (603) 448-1680 or e-mail me at nmiller@uvlsrpc.org to share your thoughts.

Sincerely,

Nathan Miller, AICP
Executive Director

Grantham Community Crisis Fund Report

Has there ever been a time when you wanted to do something to help out in your community and didn't know where to turn? Have you wanted your contribution to assist people in your neighborhood and not some large organization that uses part of your gift to manage their service or is run by a committee that can lose sight of the working man's needs?

Well, serving your community members in need has been the goal of the Grantham Community Crisis Fund for the last 20 years. (yes, 20 years!) With the generous donations from individuals, groups and non-profit organizations, we have been able to assist with food, fuel, emergency housing, summer programs and individual requests. This assistance is specific to Grantham residents only and may not be used in any other manner.

Do you have a crisis situation that has overwhelmed you? Is there a financial solution that we can assist with to help elevate your situation? Any member of the Crisis Fund can discreetly meet and discuss with you what we can do for you.

Interested in helping your fellow neighbor by donating to our organization? We don't have a large fund raising machine in place, but rely on the genuine gifts from our own neighbors. Please contact one of our members or mail us at:

Grantham Community Crisis Fund
PO Box 1192
Grantham, NH 03753

Deborah Cheever	863-5946
Cindy Towle	863-3156
Andrew Mellow	863-1850
Terry Dorr	863-4028
Kris Widmann	863-1681
Susan Wren	863-7355

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“Neighbors Helping Neighbors”



Southwestern Community Services

Since 1965, people helping people in Cheshire and Sullivan counties

Grantham

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*** Direct Assistance to Residents: \$24,779.90**

**** Economic Impact: \$61,949.75**

1% of Direct Assistance: \$247.79

*****Total Number of Households Served: 41**

Total Units of Service Provided: 89

Average Benefit Per Household: \$604.39

Average Benefit per Unit of Service: \$278.43

* Property Taxes and Administrative Payroll are NOT included in the direct assistance or economic impact totals.

** Economic Impact is calculated by multiplying the direct assistance by a factor of 2.5

***Some Households receive benefits from more than one program and may therefore be duplicated. However, the amount shown as Direct Assistance to Residents is the actual expenditures to the residents of this town.

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Child Care / Education		\$0.00
Head Start		\$0.00
Nutrition / Health		\$5,995.80
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling		\$1,426.80
Commodity Supplemental Food		\$275.76
Emergency Food Assistance		\$0.00
Women's, Infant, Children (WIC)		\$4,293.24
Energy		\$17,084.10
Case Management		\$50.00
Fuel assistance		\$9,802.10
Senior Energy Assistance		\$0.00
Electric Assistance Program		\$7,232.00
Weatherization		\$0.00
Utility Programs		\$200.00
Core		\$0.00
Neighbor Helping Neighbor		\$200.00
Family Services		\$1,500.00
Adult disadvantaged		\$0.00
Work Experience		\$0.00
Workplace Success Program		\$0.00
Adult Dislocated		\$1,500.00
Housing Stabilization Services		\$0.00
Emergency - Transitional Shelter (short term)		\$0.00
Permanent Housing Program		\$0.00
Long term Transitional Shelter		\$0.00
Shelter Plus Care		\$0.00
Homelessness Prevention		\$0.00
Housing Security Deposit Guarantee		\$0.00
HUD Homeless outreach		\$0.00
New Hope New Horizons		\$0.00
Day Services		\$0.00
Residential Services		\$0.00
Vocational Rehabilitation		\$0.00
Single Family Rehab		\$0.00
Lead Paint Abatement		\$0.00
HCBC (Medicaid)		\$0.00
Housing Preservation Grants (RD)		\$0.00
Affordable Housing		
Affordable Housing Rental Projects Owned	Assessed Value:	\$0.00
Real Estate	Property Taxes Paid	\$0.00
Other Properties		
Commercial Properties	Assessed Value	\$0.00

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Child Care / Education		\$0.00
Head Start		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Children Enrolled	0	
Cost Per Child	\$13,447	
Nutrition / Health		\$4,671.22
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling		\$102.22
Number of Consumers Enrolled	2	
Value of Monthly Food Package	\$51.11	
Commodity Supplemental Food		\$275.76
Number of Elderly Individuals Enrolled	1	
Value of Monthly Food Package	\$22.98	
Emergency Food Assistance		\$0.00
Number of Food Pantries	0	
Number of Soup Kitchens	0	
Number of homeless Shelters	0	
Number of Charitable Organizations	0	
Women's, Infant, Children (WIC)		\$4,293.24
Number of Households Enrolled	6	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	9	
Number of Women Enrolled	0	
Number of Children Enrolled	7	
Monthly cost of Women's food Package	\$51.11	
Monthly cost of Children's food Package	\$51.11	

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Energy		\$17,084.08
Case Management		\$50.00
Number of Households Enrolled	2	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	4	
Number of Elderly	1	
Value of service	\$25.00	
Fuel assistance		\$9,802.08
Number of Households Enrolled	12	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	21	
Number of Households Applied	16	
Number of Elderly Households Enrolled	5	
Number of elderly Enrolled	6	
Average household Benefit	\$816.84	
Senior Energy Assistance		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Annual Benefit	\$270.00	
Electric Assistance Program		\$7,232.00
Number of Households Served	16	
Number of Consumers Served	49	
Annual Benefit	7,232	
Weatherization		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Consumers Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Utility Programs		\$200.00
Core		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Consumers Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Neighbor Helping Neighbor		\$200.00
Number of Households Enrolled	1	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	2	
Average Benefit	\$200.00	
Family Services		\$1,500.00
Adult disadvantaged		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Direct Service Amount	\$0.00	
Work Experience		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Direct Service Amount	\$0.00	
Workplace Success Program		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Direct Service Amount	\$0.00	
Adult Dislocated		\$1,500.00
Number of Households Enrolled	1	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	1	
Direct Service Amount	\$1,500.00	

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Housing Stabilization Services		\$0.00
Emergency - Transitional Shelter (short term)		\$0.00
Number of Households enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Number of Bed Nights	0	
Value of Bed Nights	\$0.00	
Number of Case Management Hours	0	
Value of Case Management hours	\$0.00	
Permanent Housing Program		\$0.00
Number of Households enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Number of months households enrolled (Combined)	0	
Total Benefit to households	\$0.00	
Long term Transitional Shelter		\$0.00
Number of Households enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Number of months households enrolled	0	
Total Benefits	\$0.00	
Shelter Plus Care		\$0.00
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Number of months households enrolled	0	
Monthly FMR	\$0.00	
Homelessness Prevention		\$0.00
Number of Households enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
Housing Security Deposit Guarantee		\$0.00
Number of Households enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
HUD Homeless outreach		\$0.00
Number of Households enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers enrolled	0	
Number of Case Management Hours	0	
Value of Case Management hours	\$0.00	
New Hope New Horizons		\$0.00
Day Services		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value of Service	\$0.00	
Residential Services		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value of Service	\$0.00	
Vocational Rehabilitation		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value of Service	\$0.00	

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Single Family Rehab		\$0.00
Lead Paint Abatement		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Residents Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
HCBC (Medicaid)		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Residents Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Housing Preservation Grants (RD)		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Residents Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Affordable Housing		
Affordable Housing Rental Projects Owned		
Number of Units / Households	0	
Number of Consumers	0	
Assessed Value	\$0.00	
Real Estate		
Property Taxes Paid	0	
Other Properties		
Commercial Properties		
Assessed Value	0	



Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice

January 2015

Dear Friends:

On behalf of all the staff and volunteers of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, personal care and community health services in Grantham. Our Mission to provide care for individuals and families in home and community settings and enable people to stay in their homes for as long as possible is at the heart of all we do for Grantham residents and residents throughout our 1,900 square-mile service area. As in previous years, our Board of Directors has pledged that, within its financial resources, LSRVNA will continue to serve those in need of care regardless of insurance coverage or financial circumstances. I am proud to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2014, LSRVNA employees served Grantham in the following ways:

- ✦ Provided 2,524 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 84 residents;
- ✦ Provided 1,555 in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to these residents. 47 visits were provided without any remuneration to LSRVNA. 80 visits were provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 60% of visit costs);
- ✦ Eight residents received 271 visits through our hospice program and were able to spend their last days at home. Their families are provided 14 months of bereavement support and counseling after the death of their loved, at no cost;
- ✦ 242 residents utilized our foot care, flu and blood pressure clinics as well as parent child, bereavement and other support groups.

Our talented staff remains committed not only to individual health and well-being, but to fostering community support and involvement which empowers residents to help their friends and neighbors. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any way that we may be of service to you, your loved ones or your town's residents. Our vision to be the leading provider of home care services in the region, to be the best place to work and volunteer, and to remain an adaptive and enduring presence is only possible with support and confidence such as yours. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

Sincerely,

Monique Malanga
Chief Financial Officer

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Serving Grafton, Merrimack and Sullivan Counties



MVHI is a nonprofit public health organization serving the Upper Valley towns of Canaan, Dorchester, Enfield, Grafton, Grantham, Hanover, Lebanon, Lyme, Orange, Orford, Piermont, and Plainfield. Our goal is to protect and promote the health of our community.

In 2014, appropriations from Grantham and nine other towns in the Upper Valley Region supported the Upper Valley Public Health Advisory Council, a regional collaborative working to leverage the diverse capabilities of our communities, health and human services providers, schools, and businesses to improve our regional response to public health needs. Over the course of the year, members developed the Upper Valley Agenda for Public Health, a set of regional priorities upon which to build collective action. We have launched an effort to provide evidence-based mental health training to school personnel and others working with youth; at the behest of several town managers, we are exploring how to build crisis intervention capacity to assist towns; and we using multiple communication tools to bring non-traditional partners together.

Also in 2014, MVHI contributed to regional efforts to increase the number of residents receiving flu vaccines. We disseminated information about free flu vaccines to the public. We hosted four flu vaccine clinics in the region that provided 1,225 free flu vaccines to residents aged 10 and older. These clinics were held in Plainfield, Enfield, and Orford.

MVHI greatly appreciates the support we receive from Grantham and will continue to work hard to meet your needs in 2015.



**BLUE MOUNTAIN SNOWDUSTERS OUTDOOR RECREATION CLUB, INC
PO BOX 428
GRANTHAM, NH 03753**

The Blue Mountain Snow Dusters, (BMSD) ORC had a banner year in 2014, and looks forward to another successful recreation season as we begin our 41st year as Grantham's Outdoor Recreation Club. As this is written, snow conditions are abysmal but we are confident that February and March will bring plenty of snow. The club is ready with its large Tucker and 3 Skandic trail groomers to once again have its 65+ miles of trails recognized as the best trails in the region.

2014 was a banner year in many ways. In addition to having plenty of snow, the BMSD was awarded its 501(c)(3) tax status and is now considered a Public Charity dedicated to establishing and maintaining recreation trails for the free use of all Grantham citizens. This means that donations made to BMSD are now tax deductible. The first award under this designation was a very generous grant from the Byrne Foundation of Hanover to build or buy a club house to store and maintain our burgeoning equipment inventory and for club meetings and recreational events. Significantly, the reason given for the award was "We congratulate you for all of the support you offer those in the community, particularly the Prouty."

In 2014, the Grantham Mountaineers BMSD Prouty Team raised a record \$27,201 and recruited 57 members to support cancer research and patient care at the Norris Cotton Cancer Center at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Hanover, NH. Its goal for 2015 is to raise \$30,000 and recruit 65 members. The theme of the 2015 Mountaineers Prouty campaign is "Want to fight cancer and build community? Join the Grantham Mountaineers BMSD Prouty Team!"

To help build community the BMSD provides on-call search and rescue services to our Fire Department and supports the Town Recreation Department, "Our Town", and Cub Scout Troop 276. In 2015 the club will expand its community building program by having its Mountaineers Prouty team collaborate with our Recreation Department, SAU 75, the Grantham Village School and School Board to launch an exciting program for GVS grades 3 through 6, known as the "Grantham Prouty Scholars program. The program will identify and honor the inaugural class of 12 Prouty Scholars who have achieved high honors in the Humanities, and STEM curriculums and the GVS Athletic program. The honor students will become members of the Grantham Mountaineers and be invited to participate with the team in our Old Home Day parade and picnic, and in the 34th annual Prouty in Hanover on July 10-11, as well as to be honored at a GVS honors convocation in May and the Grantham Mountaineers annual Prouty celebration party in September.

Nine teams participated in the fifth annual BMSD golf tournament in September, 2014 at the Newport Country Club. The tournament was a resounding success and raised a goodly sum of money to support BMSD trail grooming activities. Mark your calendar for September 12, 2015 to enjoy this growing event and to support our outstanding trail maintenance system.

Finally, our Recreation Director is hard at work overseeing the club's winter cookout program, as well as making arrangements to establish a flat, groomed trail at the Town Recreation Park for beginning back country XC skiers. Also coming soon will be a Birding/Hiking program that will utilize our vast trail system.

The BMSD trail system utilizes many miles of town-owned roads and by-ways, but it is literally held together by connector trails crossing privately owned land with the generous permission of landowners. We are very sensitive to the need to protect and preserve these vital links in our trail system and greatly appreciate the enduring support of landowners, the general public, and the Board of Selectmen. Thank you.

For more information about the Blue Mountain Snow Dusters, ORC, Inc, we invite you to visit the BMSD web site at www.snowdusters.org.

Bob Morgan, President; and the Officers and Directors of the BMSD

Right to Know Law

What is the “Right-to-Know” Law, RSA 91:A? It is New Hampshire’s statute that emphasizes that the business of the Town is the public’s business. It makes clear that, with very few exceptions, the public has access to Town records and meetings held in connection with Town Government.

Who does it cover? All of us, whether we are elected officials, employees or volunteers serving on boards of the Town of Grantham.

What does it cover? It covers all “meetings”. A “meeting” occurs whenever a quorum of a Board, Committee or Subcommittee has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power. The law also requires that the business of a Board be conducted at a meeting, rather than by telephone, e-mail or private gathering of individuals.

If it is a meeting, what does that mean? A notice of the time and place must be posted at least 24 hours in advance (excluding Sundays and legal holidays) in at least two (2) public places. The public is entitled to attend and may record or videotape the proceeding. All votes, with the very few exceptions itemized below, must be taken in open session and not be secret ballot. Minutes must be taken and made available to the public within 144 hours.

When can we hold a nonpublic session? Rarely. The Right-to-Know Law lists certain limited situations, which allow a Board to go into nonpublic session. Those situations are: Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees, RSA 91:A: 3, II (a). Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, RSA 91:A: 3, II (b). Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person-however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your board, committee or subcommittee, RSA 91-A: 3, II (c). Consideration of the purchase, sale or lease of real or personal property, RSA 91-A: 3, II (d). Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation, RSA 91-A: 3, II (e).

How do we go into nonpublic session? A motion must be made which specifically identifies the statutory category, which is the reason for going into nonpublic session, and then a roll call must be taken in which each member’s vote on the motion must be recorded.

If we go into nonpublic session, what then? Minutes must be taken just as you would in an open session. Decisions can be made in nonpublic session. You must stick to the subject which was the reason for going into the nonpublic session; if there is need to discuss other matters which discussion would be covered by a different exemption, you need to first come out of nonpublic session and then vote to go back in under that different exemption. It is only in this way that a proper record can be prepared for public review. The minutes from the nonpublic session must be made public within 72 hours unless two-thirds of the members, while in nonpublic session, determine that the divulgence of the information likely would adversely affect the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board, Committee or Subcommittee, or render the circumstances, the minutes may be withheld until those circumstances no longer apply. Action required to sequester.

Which Public Records are accessible? The public has access to all records held by the town except to the extent they may fall under one of the exemptions listed above.

How quickly do the records need to be supplied? If the requested record cannot conveniently be made available immediately, there is a deadline of five (5) business days for complying with the request. If there is a question as to whether something is open to the public, what do I do? Consult with the Selectmen and they will get advice from town counsel, if necessary.

In what format can the public demand that town records be produced? Most records are available for photocopying, but the Right-to-Know Law also extends the right to obtain computer disks of material already in the town's computers. A reasonable charge can be made to cover the cost of providing the copies or disks. In no case, however, does a member of the public have the right to demand that the town collect, search for, or arrange information that is not already pulled together for the town's own purpose.

This document is intended as a general outline of the "Right-to-Know" Law and is somewhat simplified for ease of use. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Selectmen.

2015 TOWN MEETING RULES

- Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.
- ALL voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify him or herself.
- Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.
- The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show hands vote on any article open for discussion.
- Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters questions any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.
- All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.
- Registered voters only will be seated in the center section of the meeting hall. Non-voters will be seated in the visitor's gallery located in the area bounded by the pillars and the inside wall of the meeting hall.

TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN MEETING WARRANT AND BUDGET
YEAR 2015

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

To the inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in Sullivan County, in the State of New Hampshire, *who are qualified to vote in town affairs*:

You are hereby notified and warned that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Grantham will be held at the **Grantham Town Hall, Lower Level, 300 Route 10 South** on **Tuesday, March 10, 2015** at **5:00 p.m.** to act on the following subjects:

- **Article 1** - shall be by ballot at the polls which shall be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The remaining articles shall be considered during the business meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1 – Election of Officers

To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Selectman	3 years
Planning Board	3 years
Planning Board	3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Cemetery Trustee	1 year
Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	3 years
Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	3 years
Supervisor of the Checklist	6 years

ARTICLE 2 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred and fifty three thousand nine hundred and seventy eight dollars (\$953,978) for the purpose of renovation and addition construction, including site work, landscaping and parking lot expansion, and equipping and furnishing to the Dunbar Free Library. Two hundred sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$216,500) to come from library capital reserve and two hundred forty two thousand four hundred seventy eight dollars (\$242,478) to come from private funds the library has custody of. Further to authorize the issuance of not more than four hundred and ninety-five thousand dollars (\$495,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 *et seq.* as amended; and to authorize the Selectmen to issue, sell and deliver said bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest there on and to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. **2/3 Ballot vote required.**
Recommended by the Selectmen

ARTICLE 3 – To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our Governor and State Legislators: “Resolved that the State of New Hampshire provide a comprehensive meaningful system of funding for State Education needs. To see if the Town will vote to ask our Governor and our State Legislators to reform state funding for education with that reform to be directed to significant reduction of property taxes. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to the Governor and State Legislators informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote.”

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 4 – General Government

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million one hundred eighty nine thousand ninety five dollars (\$1,189,095.00) to defray the cost of **General Government** operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Selectmen's Office	\$200,700	\$208,150
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$112,706	\$116,350
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$6,200	\$4,500
Financial Administration	\$36,700	\$40,200
Tax Maps/Assessing	\$41,000	\$42,000
Legal	\$20,000	\$30,000
Personnel Administration	\$536,100	\$556,119
Planning Board	\$7,750	\$21,750
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$2,175	\$2,375
General Government Buildings	\$114,100	\$114,100
Cemeteries	\$18,100	\$18,200
Insurance	\$29,492	\$31,416
Regional Associations	\$3,860	\$3,935
TOTAL	\$1,128,883	\$1,189,095

ARTICLE 5 – Public Safety

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred one thousand two hundred fourteen dollars (**\$601,214.00**) to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Police Department	\$370,680	\$382,418
Ambulance (FAST Squad)	\$69,450	\$71,026
Fire Department	\$119,879	\$126,670
Building Inspection	\$8,000	\$8,500
Emergency Management	\$13,100	\$12,600
TOTAL	\$581,109	\$601,214

ARTICLE 6 – To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five-year, \$175,000 lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to purchase sixteen (16) new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA's) and compressor filling station and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,386 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This agreement contains an escape clause.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for the purchase and installation of an engine exhaust removal system for the Fire Department.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8 – To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year, \$33,463 lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to purchase a new 2015 AWD Dodge Charger Police Cruiser, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,505 for the first year’s payment for that purpose, with an estimated \$2,000 to come from trade-in; the remainder to come from taxation. This agreement contains an escape clause.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9 – Public Works

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fourteen thousand five hundred twenty dollars (**\$714,520.00**) to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Highway Administration	\$216,700	\$221,220
Highway Maintenance	\$156,200	\$147,200
Street Lights	\$5,000	\$5,000
Transfer Station	\$130,412	\$137,100
Waste Disposal	\$204,000	\$196,000
Landfill Monitoring	\$8,000	\$8,000
TOTAL	\$720,312	\$714,520

ARTICLE 10 – Highway Department 1-Ton Truck

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$85,000 for the purchase of a new 1-Ton Truck for the Highway Department and to authorize withdrawal of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 11 – Miller Pond Road Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate four-hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) for the rehabilitation/replacement of the Miller Pond Road Bridge to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by June 30, 2019, whichever is sooner.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 12 – Health and Welfare

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-two thousand three hundred dollars (**\$42,300.00**) to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Boarding Animals	\$700	\$700
Community Services	\$15,970	\$16,600
Town General Assistance	\$20,000	\$25,000
TOTAL	\$36,670	\$42,300

Community Agencies:	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Lake Sunapee VNA	\$8,000	\$8,000
Sullivan County Nutrition Services	\$200	\$200
Kearsarge Area COA	\$3,000	\$3,500
Southwestern Community Services	\$850	\$900
West Central Services	\$2,420	\$2,500
Mascoma Valley Health Initiative	\$1,000	\$1,000
Community Alliance of Human Services	\$500	\$500
Total	\$15,970	\$16,600

ARTICLE 13 – Culture and Recreation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred sixty-six thousand six hundred thirteen dollars (**\$266,613.00**) for **Culture and Recreation**. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Recreation	\$43,757	\$45,976
Dunbar Free Library	\$186,769	\$191,837
Activities	\$27,000	\$27,800
Archives	\$1,000	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$258,526	\$266,613

ARTICLE 14 – Conservation, Debt Principal, Debt Interest, and Tax Anticipation Note Interest
 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty-three thousand eight hundred eighty three dollars (**\$133,883.00**) for **Conservation, Debt Principal, Debt Interest, and Tax Anticipation Note Interest**. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Conservation Commission	\$2,100	\$5,400
Town Hall Bond Payment	\$60,000	\$60,000
Town Hall Bond Interest	\$34,200	\$28,200
Library Bond Interest	\$0.00	\$8,580
Highway Plow Truck Lease	\$44,031	\$31,603
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	\$100	\$100
TOTAL	\$140,431	\$133,883

ARTICLE 15 – Capital Reserve Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty-nine thousand dollars (**\$89,000.00**) to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2014/2015	Proposed 2015/2016
Fire Department Capital Reserve	\$25,000	\$10,000
Highway Equip Capital Reserve	\$50,000	\$30,000
Town Office Equip Capital Reserve	\$1,000	\$1,000
Transfer Station Capital Reserve	\$10,000	\$5,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve	\$0	\$10,000
Revaluation	\$45,000	\$10,000
Town Buildings	\$5,000	\$5,000
Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve	\$50,000	\$0
Library Building Repair Capital Reserve	\$10,000	\$15,000
Town Clerk/Tax Collector Equipment CRF	\$2,000	\$3,000
TOTAL	\$198,000.00	\$89,000

ARTICLE 16 – Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (**\$25,000.00**) to be placed in previously established **Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund**.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 17 – End of Meeting

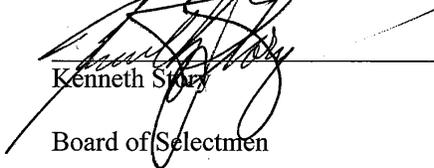
To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Given under our hands and seal this 11th day of February, 2015.

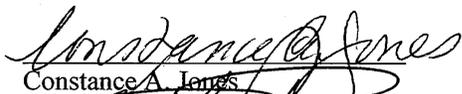

G. Warren Kimball, Chairman


Constance A. Jones


Kenneth B. Story
Board of Selectmen

We certify that on the 12th day of February, 2015, we caused a true copy of the within warrant to be posted at the Grantham Town Office at 300 Route 10 South, the Dunbar Free Library at Route 10 South and the Grantham Post Office at Willis Avenue.


G. Warren Kimball, Chairman


Constance A. Jones


Kenneth B. Story



Budget of the Town of Grantham

Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: 2/12/2015

For Assistance Please Contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
 Phone: (603) 230-5090
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GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

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Governing Body Certifications		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
WARREN KIMBALL	SELECTMAN	<i>Warren Kimball</i>
CONSTANCE A. JONES	Selectman	<i>Constance A. Jones</i>
KENNETH STORY	SELECTMAN	<i>Kenneth Story</i>

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**NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL AND PROPERTY DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487**

Appropriations

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	04	\$200,700	\$168,331	\$208,150	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	04	\$118,906	\$112,258	\$120,850	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	04	\$36,700	\$33,030	\$40,200	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	04	\$41,000	\$48,177	\$42,000	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	04	\$20,000	\$13,562	\$30,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	04	\$536,100	\$413,748	\$556,119	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	04	\$9,925	\$3,786	\$24,125	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	04	\$114,100	\$81,655	\$114,100	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	04	\$18,100	\$8,465	\$18,200	\$0
4196	Insurance	04	\$29,492	\$26,693	\$31,416	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	04	\$3,860	\$3,794	\$3,935	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	05	\$370,680	\$346,543	\$382,418	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	05	\$69,450	\$56,381	\$71,026	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	05	\$119,879	\$80,984	\$126,670	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	05	\$8,000	\$4,182	\$8,500	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	05	\$13,100	\$10,246	\$12,600	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration	09	\$216,700	\$187,202	\$221,220	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	09	\$156,200	\$49,941	\$147,200	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	09	\$5,000	\$3,753	\$5,000	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation						
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	09	\$130,412	\$110,140	\$137,100	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	09	\$204,000	\$128,875	\$196,000	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	09	\$8,000	\$4,993	\$8,000	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control	12	\$700	\$500	\$700	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	12	\$15,970	\$15,970	\$16,600	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	12	\$20,000	\$1,273	\$25,000	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	13	\$43,757	\$45,385	\$45,976	\$0
4550-4559	Library	13	\$186,769	\$172,566	\$191,837	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	13	\$27,000	\$28,403	\$27,800	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	13	\$1,000	\$2,019	\$1,000	\$0
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	14	\$2,100	\$490	\$5,400	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	14	\$104,031	\$60,000	\$91,603	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	14	\$34,200	\$33,150	\$36,780	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	14	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$10,500	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$162,729	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Appropriations			\$2,866,931	\$2,429,724	\$2,947,625	\$0

Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	10	\$0	\$0	\$85,000	\$0
	Purpose: Highway Department 1-Ton Truck					
4903	Buildings	02	\$0	\$0	\$953,978	\$0
	Purpose: Renovation, addition, equipping and furnishings fo					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	11	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0
	Purpose: Miller Pond Road Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	15	\$0	\$0	\$89,000	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Reserve Funds					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	16	\$223,000	\$201,000	\$25,000	\$0
	Purpose: Appropriate to Library Expansion CRF					
Special Articles Recommended			\$223,000	\$201,000	\$1,552,978	\$0

Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	08	\$0	\$0	\$13,505	\$0
	Purpose: Police Cruiser					
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	06	\$0	\$0	\$40,386	\$0
	Purpose: Lease/Purchase of SCBA's					
4903	Buildings	07	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$0
	Purpose: Engine Exhaust Removal System					
Individual Articles Recommended			\$0	\$0	\$73,891	\$0

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	04	\$500	\$8,303	\$500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$88	\$0
3189	Other Taxes	04	\$9,223	\$0	\$9,223
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	04	\$30,000	\$34,898	\$30,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	04	\$500	\$647	\$500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	04	\$575,000	\$622,832	\$575,000
3230	Building Permits	04	\$4,000	\$7,179	\$4,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	04	\$17,000	\$20,578	\$17,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$45,188	\$0
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	04	\$144,150	\$133,169	\$144,150
3353	Highway Block Grant	04	\$58,102	\$56,557	\$58,102
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$0	\$405	\$0
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	04	\$45,000	\$70,810	\$45,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	08	\$12,000	\$0	\$2,000
3502	Interest on Investments	04	\$50,000	\$68,569	\$50,000
3503-3509	Other		\$2,872	\$91,234	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	02	\$0	\$500	\$242,478
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	10, 02	\$0	\$130,592	\$301,500
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	02	\$0	\$0	\$495,000
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	11	\$0	\$0	\$400,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$124,571	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$1,072,918	\$1,291,549	\$2,374,453

Budget Summary

Item	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$2,866,931	\$2,947,625
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$223,000	\$1,552,978
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$0	\$73,891
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$3,089,931	\$4,574,494
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,072,919	\$2,374,453
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$2,017,012	\$2,200,041



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ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?

Entity Type: Municipality Village

Municipality:

County:

Original Date

Revision Date

ASSESSOR

Assessor's Name

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MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

Municipal Official 1

Municipal Official 2

Municipal Official 3

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Municipal Official 6

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PREPARER'S INFORMATION

Preparer's Name

Phone Number

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Municipality Values		
Value Land Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A, 3B and 4) ?		
	Number of Acres	Assessed Valuation
1-A Current Use (At current values) RSA 79-A ?	10,339	\$424,509
1-B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B ?		
1-C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C ?		
1-D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
1-E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
1-F Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved) ?	4,517	\$137,220,800
1-G Commercial/Industrial Land (excluding Utility Land) ?	309	\$4,193,300
1-H Total of Taxable Land ?	15,165	\$141,838,609
1-I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land ?	1,349	\$5,386,800
Value Buildings Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A and 3B) ?		
	Number of Structures	Assessed Valuation
2-A Residential ?		\$360,084,600
2-B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31 ?		\$878,100
2-C Commercial/Industrial (excluding Utility buildings) ?		\$10,005,800
2-D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
2-E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
2-F Total of Taxable Buildings ?		\$370,968,500
2-G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings ?		\$8,756,200
Utilities and Timber ?		
		Assessed Valuation
3-A Utilities ?		\$5,283,600
3-B Other Utilities ?		
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5 ?		
5) Valuation before Exemptions (Total of lines 1H, 2F, 3A, 3B and 4) ?		\$518,090,709



Exemptions			Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans (RSA 72:36-a) ?		1	\$286,000
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA (72:38-b V) ?			
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities (RSA 72:37-a) ?			
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption (RSA 72:23-IV) ?			
10a	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?			
10b	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?			
11) Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties (Line 5 minus lines 6,7,8,9,10a,10b) ?				\$517,804,709

Summation of Exemptions ?			Amount Per Exemption	Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
12	Blind Exemption (RSA 72:37) ?				
13	Elderly Exemption (RSA 72:39-a & b)			12	\$657,200
14	Deaf Exemption (RSA 72:38-b) ?				
15	Disabled Exemption (RSA 72:37-b) ?				
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:70) ?				
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:62) ?				
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:66) ?				
19	Add'l School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions (RSA 72:23 IV) ?				
20) Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions (sum of lines 12-19)					\$657,200

Calculations		
21 NET VALUATION: Used To Compute Municipal, County, and Local Education Tax Rates (Line 11 minus Line 20)		\$517,147,509
22 LESS UTILITIES: (Line 3A) Do not include the value of other utilities listed in Line 3B		\$5,283,600
23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES TO COMPUTE STATE EDUCATION TAX (Line 21 minus Line 22)		\$511,863,909

Notes:



Utility Summary: Electric, Hydroelectric, Renewable - Misc., Nuclear, Gas/Pipeline, Water & Sewer

Utility Value Appraiser

Who Appriases/Establishes the Utility Value in the Municipality? (If multiple, please list)

If the Municipality Uses DRA Utility Values, is it Equalized By The Ratio? Yes No

SECTION A

List Electric Companies

Electric Company	Assessed Valuation
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$4,800,900

A1 Total of all Electric Companies listed in this section: \$4,800,900

List Gas Companies

Gas Company	Assessed Valuation

A2 Total of all Gas Companies listed in this section:



List Water and Sewer Companies ?

Water/Sewer Company	Assessed Valuation
Eastman Sewer Company	\$482,700
A3 Total of all Water and Sewer Companies listed in this section:	\$482,700
Grand Total Valuation of all Sect. A Utility Companies	\$5,283,600

SECTION B

List Other Utility Companies ?

Other Utility Company	Assessed Valuation
B1 Total of All Other Companies listed in this section (must agree with line 3B):	



Tax Credits and Exemptions

Veterans' Tax Credits ?

Credit Description	Limits	Number of Individuals	Estimated Tax Credits
? Veterans' Tax Credit/Optional Veterans' Tax Credit (RSA 72:28) (\$50 Standard Credit, \$51 up to \$500 upon adoption by city/town)	\$500	148	\$74,000
? Surviving Spouse (RSA 72:29-a) "The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States..." (\$700 Standard Credit, \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town)	\$700	8	\$5,600
? Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability (RSA 72:35) "Any person who has been honorably discharged from the military service of the United States and who has total and permanent service-connected disability, or who is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service-connected injury..." (\$700 Standard Credit, \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town)			
Total Number and Amount		156	\$79,600

*If both husband and/or wife qualify for the credit they count as 2. If someone is living at a residence such as a brother & sister, and one qualifies count as 1, not one-half.

Disabled and Deaf Exemption Report ?

	Disabled Exemption Report (RSA 72:37-b)		Deaf Exemption Report (RSA 72:38-b)	
	Single	Married	Single	Married
Income Limits ?				
Asset Limits ?				

Elderly Exemption Report - RSA 72:39-a ?

First Time Filers <u>Granted</u> Elderly Exemption for Current Tax Year			Total Number of Individuals Granted an Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year & Total Number of Exemptions Granted			
Age	#	Amount Per Individual	Age	#	Max Allowable Exemption	Total Actual Exemption Granted
65-74	2	\$40,000	65-74	5	\$200,000	\$162,200
75-79		\$60,000	75-79	2	\$120,000	\$120,000
80+		\$75,000	80+	5	\$375,000	\$375,000
Total				12	\$695,000	\$657,200
Income Limits	Single	\$40,000	Asset Limits	Single	\$100,000	
	Married	\$60,000		Married	\$120,000	

Community Tax Relief Incentive - RSA 79-E ?

Adopted: Yes No Number of Structures:



Property Reports

Current Use Reports - RSA 79-A ?

	Total Number of Acres Receiving Current Use	Assessed Valuation	Other Current Use Statistics	Total Number of Acres
Farm Land	193	\$37,587	Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	4,380
Forest Land	5,077	\$237,680	Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	3,723	\$126,046	Owners in Current Use	85
Unproductive Land	1,145	\$19,946	Parcels in Current Use	196
Wet Land	201	\$3,250		
Total	10,339	\$424,509		

Land Use Change Tax ?

Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year (Jan 1 through Dec 31)

Conservation Allocation	Percentage	100	And/Or Dollar Amount	
Monies to Conservation Fund				
Monies to General Fund				

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report - RSA 79-B (must file PA-60) ?

	Total Number of Acres Receiving Conservation	Assessed Valuation	Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics	Total Number of Acres
Farm Land			Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	
Forest Land			Removed from Conservation During Current Tax Year	
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship				
Unproductive Land			Owners in Conservation	
Wet Land			Parcels in Conservation	
Total				

Discretionary Easements - RSA 79-C ?

Total Number of Acres	# of Owners	Assessed Valuation	Description of Discretionary Easements Granted (e.g. Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track)

Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures - RSA 79-F ?

Total Number Granted	Total Number of Structures	Total Number of Acres	Assessed Valuation Land	Assessed Valuation Structures



Tax Increment Financing Districts - RSA 162-K ?

TIF District Name	Date of Adoption/ Modification	Original Assessed Value	Unretained Captured Assessed Value	Amount used on page 2	Retained Captured Assessed Value	Current Assessed Value



GRANTHAM

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Preparer's First Name	Preparer's Last Name
<input type="text" value="Melissa M."/>	<input type="text" value="White"/>

<i>Melissa M. White, Town Admin</i>	<input type="text" value="10/6/2014"/>
Preparer's Signature and Title	Date

Check to Certify Electronic Signature: You are required to check this box and provide your name above. By checking this box, you hereby declare and certify that the electronic signature above was actually signed by the Preparer and that the electronic signature is valid.

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Melissa M. White
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Michael J. [Signature]
Assessor's Signature

Warren [Signature]
Municipal Official's Signature

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Village District:

Original Date

Revision Date

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

Preparer's Name

Phone Number

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Village District Values

Value Land Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A, 3B and 4) ?

		Number of Acres	Assessed Valuation
1-A	Current Use (At current values) RSA 79-A ?	38	\$688
1-B	Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B ?		
1-C	Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C ?		
1-D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
1-E	Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
1-F	Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved) ?	1,607	\$83,265,800
1-G	Commercial/Industrial Land (excluding Utility Land) ?	63	\$358,400
1-H	Total of Taxable Land ?	1,708	\$83,624,888
1-I	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land ?	183	\$1,878,900

Value Buildings Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A and 3B) ?

		Number of Structures	Assessed Valuation
2-A	Residential ?		\$260,072,700
2-B	Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31 ?		
2-C	Commercial/Industrial (excluding Utility buildings) ?		\$1,512,400
2-D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
2-E	Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
2-F	Total of Taxable Buildings ?		\$261,585,100
2-G	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings ?		\$1,765,600

Utilities and Timber ?

		Assessed Valuation
3-A	Utilities ?	\$482,700
3-B	Other Utilities ?	
4	Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5 ?	

5) Valuation before Exemptions (Total of lines 1H, 2F, 3A, 3B and 4) ?

	\$345,692,688
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Exemptions			
		Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans (RSA 72:36-a) ?	1	\$286,000
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA (72:38-b V) ?		
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities (RSA 72:37-a) ?		
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption (RSA 72:23-IV) ?		
10a	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?		
10b	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?		
11) Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties (Line 5 minus lines 6,7,8,9,10a,10b) ?			\$345,406,688
Summation of Exemptions ?			
	Amount Per Exemption	Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
12	Blind Exemption (RSA 72:37) ?		
13	Elderly Exemption (RSA 72:39-a & b)	2	\$115,000
14	Deaf Exemption (RSA 72:38-b) ?		
15	Disabled Exemption (RSA 72:37-b) ?		
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:70) ?		
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:62) ?		
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:66) ?		
19	Add'l School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions (RSA 72:23 IV) ?		
20) Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions (sum of lines 12-19)			\$115,000
Calculations			
21 NET VALUATION: Used To Compute Municipal, County, and Local Education Tax Rates (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$345,291,688
Notes:			



GRANTHAM - Eastman Village

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

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

Preparer's First Name

Melissa M.

Preparer's Last Name

White

Melissa M. White, Town Admin.
Preparer's Signature and Title

10/6/2014

Date

Check to Certify Electronic Signature: You are required to check this box and provide your name above. By checking this box, you hereby declare and certify that the electronic signature above was actually signed by the Preparer and that the electronic signature is valid.

CERTIFICATION

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Melissa M. White
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TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN MEETING MINUTES YEAR 2014

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Moderator Lorie McClory called the 238th Annual Town Meeting to order at 5:00pm. The assembly was lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by the Grantham Girl Scouts.

The 2013 Town Report was dedicated to Janice Hastings. Selectman Ken Story said that Janice is a long time resident of Grantham who is welcoming, kind and generous. Janice served the town in a variety of capacities including 11 years as Town Auditor and 4 years on the Planning Board.

Moderator McClory stated that the meeting having been properly warned as it is certified on page 17 of the Town Report and by the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of New Hampshire I do now declare the 238th Annual Meeting of the Town of Grantham officially opened for business. Polls were officially opened at 8:00am for ballot voting and close at 7:00pm. The Moderator informed that 3 ballots would be handed out to each voter: Official Town ballot, Official School ballot and the State Special Election Official ballot. Absentee ballots were counted at 1:00pm in the afternoon.

Moderator Smith introduced Selectmen Constance Jones, Kenneth Story and Warren Kimball; Town Administrator Melissa White; Town Clerk/Tax Collector Rita Friedman, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Cindy Towle; Supervisors of the Checklist: Donna Stamper, Sandra Noordsey, Suzanne Goldman; Assistant Moderator Susan Schweizer; Ballot Clerks: Paula Dorr, Robert Grimley, Missy Walla and Cindy Covell.

The rules of the Meeting were adopted and the Moderator directed the Town Clerk to make the rules of the meeting a permanent part of the meeting record.

2014 Town Meeting Rules

1. Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.
2. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify him or herself.
3. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.

4. The moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.
5. Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.
6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.
7. Registered voters only will be seated in the center section of the meeting hall. Non-Voters will be seated in the visitor’s gallery in the area bounded by the pillars and the inside wall of the meeting hall.

It was moved and seconded to adopt the Town Meeting Rules.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

It was moved and seconded to allow non-voters who are not officers of the town to address the meeting.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 1 – Election of Officers

To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Warren Kimball, Selectman	3 years
Charles J McCarthy, Planning Board	3 years
James F Coakley, Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Warren Kimball, Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Russell Bailey Jr(Pete), Cemetery Trustee	1 year
Karen Walsh, Trustee of Dunbar FreeLibrary	3 years
Sara Lang, Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	2 years
Christopher Morris, Treasurer	3 years
Donna Stamper, Supervisor of the Checklist	6 years
Susanna Schweizer, Town Moderator	2 years

ARTICLE 2 – General Government

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million one hundred twenty eight thousand eight hundred eighty three dollars (**\$1,128,883.00**) to defray the cost of **General Government** operations.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Selectmen's Office	\$193,910	\$200,700
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$110,394	\$112,706
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$2,560	\$6,200
Financial Administration	\$35,700	\$36,700
Tax Maps/Assessing	\$40,000	\$41,000
Legal	\$15,000	\$20,000
Personnel Administration	\$534,720	\$536,100
Planning Board	\$7,750	\$7,750
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$2,050	\$2,175
General Government Buildings	\$113,150	\$114,100
Cemeteries	\$18,245	\$18,100
Insurance	\$28,000	\$29,492
Regional Associations	\$3,794	\$3,860
TOTAL	\$1,105,273	\$1,128,883

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 3 – Public Safety

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred eighty-one thousand one hundred nine dollars (**\$581,109.00**) to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Police Department	\$366,101	\$370,680
EMS (FAST) Squad	\$65,600	\$69,450
Fire Department	\$123,084	\$119,504
Forest Fire	\$375	\$375
Building Inspection	\$6,000	\$8,000
Emergency Management	\$13,850	\$13,100
TOTAL	\$575,010	\$581,109

The Moderator recognized Peter James who asked about the article concerning the purchase of a police cruiser that was part of the warrant at the Budget Hearing. He did not see it now and asked for an explanation.

Selectman Story informed that Chief Madore requested that it be removed. The cruiser that was on board to be replaced was totaled while at an accident. The insurance money and money in the capital reserve was enough to purchase a new vehicle. Mr. James wanted to know why a 4th cruiser was purchased when it has been advised by the Capital Reserve Committee that the police department go down to 3 vehicles.

Moderator McClory asked Selectman Jones to respond to comments made concerning the 4th cruiser. Selectman Jones stated that the town had voted for the 4 cruisers at previous Town Meetings. The Chief had, before this 4th cruiser was totaled, asked for this vehicle to be replaced because it was the oldest of the Chargers. This was a car already voted for by the people at town meeting. The Selectmen, who are the agents to expend the funds from the capital reserve fund, did as requested by the Chief of Police. Chief Madore informed the Selectmen that the Police Department needed this car. He stated that we have the insurance money and funds in the capital reserve account. We don't have to have the article and we don't have to expend any extra money. It will cut the budget this year. The decision was made to take the article out and purchase the vehicle.

After further discussion about the number of police vehicles the Moderator again called on Selectman Jones who commented that if the Town wanted to have 3, 2, or 1 police vehicles a petition article signed by 25 registered voters could be presented to the Board and included on the warrant. Then the people could vote on how many cruisers they felt the town needed.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 4 – Public Works

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred twenty thousand three hundred twelve dollars (\$720,312.00) to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Highway Administration	\$194,272	\$216,700
Highway Maintenance	\$151,200	\$156,200
Street Lights	\$5,000	\$5,000
Transfer Station	\$125,958	\$130,412
Waste Disposal	\$195,000	\$204,000
Landfill Monitoring	\$8,000	\$8,000
TOTAL	\$679,430	\$720,312

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 5 – Highway Department Plow Truck

It was moved and seconded: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five-year, \$162,000 lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to purchase a new Highway Plow Truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,031 for the first year’s payment for that purpose, with an estimated \$12,000 to come from trade-in; the remainder to come from taxation. This agreement contains an escape clause.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Audrey Sears asked why the Capital Reserve Fund was not used to help pay for the plow truck. Selectman Kimball said that the lease/purchase agreement was a way to spread out the cost of the plow truck. The Capital Reserve fund is for equipment that might need replacement in the event that something breaks down. State law prohibits us from using the reserve fund for lease payments until the last payment. It was further explained that the first year payment would be \$44,031 and \$32,031 for 4 years.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 6 – Health and Welfare

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-six thousand six hundred seventy dollars (**\$36,670.00**) to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Boarding Animals	\$600	\$700
Community Services	\$15,970	\$15,970
Town General Assistance	\$20,000	\$20,000
TOTAL	\$36,570	\$36,670

Community Agencies:	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Lake Sunapee VNA	\$8,000	\$8,000
Sullivan County Nutrition Services	\$200	\$200
Kearsarge Area COA	\$3,000	\$3,000
Southwestern Community Services	\$850	\$850
West Central Services	\$2,420	\$2,420
Mascoma Valley Health Initiative	\$1,500	\$1,000
Community Alliance of Human Services	0	\$500
Total	\$15,970	\$15,970

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 7 – Culture and Recreation

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty-eight thousand five hundred twenty six dollars (**\$258,526.00**) for **Culture and Recreation**.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Recreation	\$49,755	\$43,757
Dunbar Free Library	\$182,746	\$186,769
Activities	\$29,983	\$27,000
Archives	\$2,500	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$264,984	\$258,526

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 8 – Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Note Interest

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety-six thousand four hundred dollars (**\$96,400.00**) for **Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Note Interest**.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Conservation Commission	\$2,000	\$2,100
Bond Payment	\$60,000	\$60,000
Bond Interest	\$34,200	\$34,200
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	\$100	\$100
TOTAL	\$96,300	\$96,400

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 9 – Capital Reserve Funds

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred ninety-six thousand dollars (**\$196,000.00**) to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**.
IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2013/2014	Proposed 2014/2015
Fire Department Capital Reserve	\$25,000	\$25,000
Highway Equip Capital Reserve	\$40,000	\$50,000
Town Office Equip Capital Reserve	\$1,000	\$1,000
Transfer Station Capital Reserve	\$5,000	\$10,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve	\$10,000	\$0
Revaluation	\$30,000	\$45,000
Town Buildings	\$5,000	\$5,000
Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve	\$50,000	\$50,000
Library Building Repair Capital Reserve	\$10,000	\$10,000
TOTAL	\$176,000.00	\$196,000.00

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 10 – Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (**\$25,000.00**) to be placed in previously established **Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund**.
IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 11 – Town Clerk/Tax Collector Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of equipment needs related to the Department of Town Clerk/Tax Collector, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 dollars to be placed in this fund, and to make the Selectmen agents to expend from this fund.
IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 12 – Taxpayer Coalition

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one-thousand dollars (\$1,000) and to expend said funds by making a contribution to the Coalition Communities group headed by the City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The Coalition Communities group consists of 35 towns and represents the Town of Grantham in attempting to find a solution to the educational funding issue that does not reinstate donor towns but allows Grantham to continue to keep the statewide education property tax for local use to fund local schools. The Coalition already has saved the Town of Grantham hundreds of thousands of dollars per year for several years. The Coalition is continuing to fight to reverse any new “donor town” formula.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 13 – Disposal of Town Owned Property

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of any acquired properties through sealed bids or auctions, with the Selectmen reserving the right to accept or refuse any or all bids. If adopted, this article will remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 14 – End of Meeting

It was moved and seconded: To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BY A VOTE OF (3) YES AND (0) NO
(Majority vote required)

The candidates for Hog Reeves, Jessica Hastings and Dexter Kancer; Fence Viewers, William E Hutchins and Megan H Wilkie were unanimously confirmed by voice vote.

There being no further business or reports, Moderator McClory declared the 238th Town Meeting adjourned at 6:10PM.

A True Copy Attest,


Rita Friedman, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
March 17, 2014



BUDGET OF THE TOWN/VILLAGE DISTRICT AS VOTED

Form Due Date: **20 Days after the TOWN/VILLAGE MEETING**

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Entity Type: Municipality Village

Municipality: County

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?

First Name Last Name

Street No. Street Name Phone Number

Email (optional)



APPROPRIATIONS AS VOTED

GENERAL GOVERNMENT ?

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4130 - 4139	Executive ?	Add Warrant Article	\$200,700
		- 2	\$200,700
4140 - 4149	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics ?	Add Warrant Article	\$118,906
		- 2	\$118,906
4150 - 4151	Financial Administration ?	Add Warrant Article	\$36,700
		- 2	\$36,700
4152	Revaluation of Property ?	Add Warrant Article	\$41,000
		- 2	\$41,000
4153	Legal Expense ?	Add Warrant Article	\$20,000
		- 2	\$20,000
4155 - 4159	Personnel Administration ?	Add Warrant Article	\$536,100
		- 2	\$536,100
4191 - 4193	Planning & Zoning ?	Add Warrant Article	\$9,925
		- 2	\$9,925
4194	General Government Buildings ?	Add Warrant Article	\$114,100
		- 2	\$114,100
4195	Cemeteries ?	Add Warrant Article	\$18,100
		- 2	\$18,100
4196	Insurance ?	Add Warrant Article	\$29,492
		- 2	\$29,492
4197	Advertising & Regional Association ?	Add Warrant Article	\$3,860
		- 2	\$3,860
4199	Other General Government ?	Add Warrant Article	\$1,000
		- 12	\$1,000
General Government Subtotal			\$1,129,883



PUBLIC SAFETY ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4210-4214	Police ?	Add Warrant Article	\$370,680
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="3"/>	\$370,680
4215-4219	Ambulance ?	Add Warrant Article	\$69,450
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="3"/>	\$69,450
4220-4229	Fire ?	Add Warrant Article	\$119,879
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="3"/>	\$119,879
4240-4249	Building Inspection ?	Add Warrant Article	\$8,000
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="3"/>	\$8,000
4290-4298	Emergency Management ?	Add Warrant Article	\$13,100
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="3"/>	\$13,100
4299	Other (Including Communications) ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Public Safety Subtotal			\$581,109

AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4301 - 4309	Airport Operations ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Airport/Aviation Subtotal			

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4311	Administration ?	Add Warrant Article	\$216,700
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$216,700
4312	Highways & Streets ?	Add Warrant Article	\$156,200
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$156,200
4313	Bridges ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	



4316	Street Lighting ?	Add Warrant Article	\$5,000
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$5,000
4319	Other ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$377,900

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4321	Administration ?	Add Warrant Article	\$130,412
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$130,412
4323	Solid Waste Collection ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal ?	Add Warrant Article	\$204,000
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$204,000
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up ?	Add Warrant Article	\$8,000
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$8,000
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Sanitation Subtotal			\$342,412

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4331	Administration ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
4332	Water Services ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
4335	Water Treatment ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
4338 - 4339	Water Conservation & Other ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			



ELECTRIC ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4351 - 4352	Administration & Generation ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
4353	Purchase Costs ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
4359	Other Electric Costs ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Electric Subtotal			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

HEALTH ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4411	Administration ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
4414	Pest Control ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text" value="6"/>	\$700 \$700
4415 - 4419	Health Agencies & Hospital & Other ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text" value="6"/>	\$15,970 \$15,970
Health Subtotal			\$16,670

WELFARE ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4441 - 4442	Administration & Direct Assistance ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text" value="6"/>	\$20,000 \$20,000
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
4445 - 4449	Vendor Payments & Other ?	Add Warrant Article - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>



Welfare Subtotal	\$20,000
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CULTURE AND RECREATION ?

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4520 - 4529	Parks & Recreation ?	Add Warrant Article	\$43,757
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="7"/>	\$43,757
4550 - 4559	Library ?	Add Warrant Article	\$186,769
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="7"/>	\$186,769
4583	Patriotic Purposes ?	Add Warrant Article	\$27,000
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="7"/>	\$27,000
4589	Other Culture & Recreation ?	Add Warrant Article	\$1,000
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="7"/>	\$1,000
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$258,526

CONSERVATION ?

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4611 - 4612	Administration & Purchasing of Natural Resources ?	Add Warrant Article	\$2,100
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="8"/>	\$2,100
4619	Other Conservation ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/>	
4631 - 4632	Redevelopment and Housing ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/>	
4651 - 4659	Economic Development ?	Add Warrant Article	
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/>	
Conservation Subtotal			\$2,100

DEBT SERVICE ?

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4711	Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes ?	Add Warrant Article	\$104,031
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="8"/>	\$60,000
		- <input style="width: 40px;" type="text" value="4"/>	\$44,031



4721	Interest Long Term Bonds & Notes ?	Add Warrant Article	\$34,200
		- 8	\$34,200
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes ?	Add Warrant Article	\$100
		- 8	\$100
4790 - 4799	Other Debt Service ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
Debt Service Subtotal			\$138,331

CAPITAL OUTLAY ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4901	Land ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, & Equipment ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
4903	Buildings ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
Capital Outlay Subtotal			

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT ?			
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations As Voted
4912	To Special Revenue Fund ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
4913	To Capital Projects Fund ?	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
4914	To Proprietary Fund ?		
	Sewer	Add Warrant Article	
		-	
	Water	Add Warrant Article	
		-	



BUDGET SUMMARY	
Item	Appropriations As Voted
General Government	\$1,129,883
Public Safety	\$581,109
Airport/Aviation Center	
Highways and Streets	\$377,900
Sanitation	\$342,412
Water Distribution and Treatment	
Electric	
Health	\$16,670
Welfare	\$20,000
Culture and Recreation	\$258,526
Conservation	\$2,100
Debt Service	\$138,331
Capital Outlay	
Operating Transfers Out	\$223,000
TOTAL Appropriations as Voted	\$3,089,931



GRANTHAM (183)

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

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

Preparer's First Name

Melissa

Preparer's Last Name

White

Melissa White

Preparer's Signature and Title

3/19/14

Date

Check to Certify Electronic Signature: You are required to check this box and provide your name above. By checking this box, you hereby declare and certify that the electronic signature above was actually signed by the Preparer and that the electronic signature is valid.

CERTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. 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.

Narund G. Hall, Selectman

Governing Body Member's Signature and Title

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Constance G. Jones, Selectman

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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Tax Collector's Report

Form Due Date: **March 1 (Calendar Year), September 1 (Fiscal Year)**

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- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
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ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?

Municipality: County: Report Year:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?

First Name Last Name

Street No. Street Name Phone Number

Email (optional)



Debits					
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
			Year: 2012	Year: 2011	Year: Prior
Property Taxes	3110		\$1,394,844.43	\$3,612.96	
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change	3120				
Timber Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/cubic yard	3187				
Utility Charges	3189				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?			(\$17,059.52)		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?					

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2012	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes	3110	\$11,802,354.01			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185	\$7,106.80	\$1,195.71		
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/cubic yard	3187	\$88.20			
Utility Charges	3189				
- <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/>	#3110				
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Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2012	2011	Prior
Property Taxes	3110	\$24,506.53	\$33.64		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/cubic yard	3187				
- Adjustments		\$10.22			
- Bad Check Charge		\$10.00			
- Penalty-Current cost		\$1,813.00			
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>					
Interest - Late Tax	3190	\$7,526.76	\$9,243.80	\$634.29	
Resident Tax Penalty	3190				
Total Debits		\$11,843,415.52	\$1,388,258.06	\$4,247.25	



Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2012	Prior Levies 2011	Prior
Property Taxes	\$9,947,786.84	\$1,345,850.82	\$3,612.96	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	\$6,226.93	\$1,195.71		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$7,526.76	\$9,243.80	\$634.29	
Penalties	\$1,794.00			
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/cubic yard	\$88.20			
Utility Charges				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)	\$64,267.86	\$29,906.35		
- Adjustments	\$941.32			
- Bad Check Charge	\$10.00			
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made				
Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2012	Prior Levies 2011	Prior
Property Taxes	\$18,279.06	\$2,061.38		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/cubic yard				
Utility Charges				
- Tax Lien Cost	\$19.00			
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Current Levy Deeded				



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2012	2011	Prior
Property Taxes	\$1,801,461.80			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	\$879.87			
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/cubic yard				
Utility Charges				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?	(\$5,866.12)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?				
Total Credits	\$11,843,415.52	\$1,388,258.06	\$4,247.25	



Summary of Debits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2012	Year: 2011	Year: Prior
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$75,389.59	\$31,531.47	\$12,702.81
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$100,564.68			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$1,189.48	\$5,438.13	\$8,544.11	\$536.40
- <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Total Debits	\$101,754.16	\$80,827.72	\$40,075.58	\$13,239.21

Summary of Credits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2012	2011	Prior
Redemptions	\$27,412.46	\$45,096.77	\$22,687.52	\$438.60
- <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$1,189.48	\$5,438.13	\$8,544.11	\$536.40
- <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$73,152.22	\$30,292.82	\$8,843.95	\$12,264.21
Total Credits	\$101,754.16	\$80,827.72	\$40,075.58	\$13,239.21



GRANTHAM (183)

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Preparer's First Name

Rita

Preparer's Last Name

Friedman

Rita Friedman Town Clerk
Preparer's Signature and Title

Jul 23, 2014

Date

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Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING BALANCE -- July 1, 2013:		
LSB Municipal Treasury NOW Acct.	\$5,333,363.88	
NH PDIP-0001, General Fund	\$18,533.33	
Net Transfers to (from) PDIP-0001	(\$10,288.30)	
BEGINNING BALANCE TOTAL		\$5,341,608.91

YEARS RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS:

RECEIPTS:

From Tax Collector	\$11,531,429.31	
From Town Clerk	\$643,458.56	
From Town Office and State Grants	\$404,144.58	
Transfers from Grantham Cap. Res. Funds	\$154,731.96	
Interest Earned (Avg. Interest Rate: 1.76%)	\$68,568.29	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$12,802,332.70

ADJUSTMENTS:

Bank Fees and Other Charges	(\$887.48)	
Misc. Tax Deposits and Transfers	\$877.48	
Bad Check Deposits Returned by Bank	(\$5,539.46)	
Bad Checks Redeposited	\$4,757.84	
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS		x (\$791.62)
TOTAL NET RECEIPTS		\$12,801,541.08

DISBURSEMENTS PER SELECT BOARD ORDERS:

Accounts Payable	\$11,281,709.10	
Payroll and Benefits	\$810,664.99	
Federal Tax 941 Electronic Transfer	\$190,614.71	
less: Void Checks (stop payment)	(\$361.51)	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$12,282,627.29

YEARS NET RECEIPTS OR (DISBURSEMENTS) \$518,913.79

ENDING BALANCE -- June 30, 2014 \$5,860,522.70

ACCOUNTS BALANCE RECONCILIATION -- June 30, 2014:

LSB Municipal Treasury NOW Account	\$5,852,272.83
NH PDIP-General Fund	\$8,249.87

YEAR END ACCOUNTS TOTAL -- June 30, 2014 \$5,860,522.70

TOWN NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS:

	Balance 6/30/13	Balance 6/30/14
Conservation Comm. - NH PDIP	\$32,328.66	\$31,836.70
Sherwood Forest - NH PDIP	\$4,626.57	\$4,626.68
Ronald Hastings - LSB Savings	\$1,108.59	\$1,109.14
Reclamation Fund - NH PDIP	\$34,952.16	\$47,015.38
Town Forest Maintenance - NH PDIP	\$15,157.24	\$13,895.08



Respectfully Submitted,
Christopher E. Morris, Treasurer

7/24/2014

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	***PRINCIPAL***			INCOME			GRAND TOTAL	Verify
					Balance Beginning 07/01/13	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/14	Expended During Year	Income During Year		
Please Note: COMMON FUND #1 is made up of the following accounts:												
1900-2001	CEMETERY FUNDS	Cemeteries	LSB CD/LSAV		7,596.91	0.00	0.00	7,596.91	157.94	0.00	9,896.25	17,533.16
Yr. 1900	Hannah Haywood	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	5.87	0.00	251.91	651.91
Yr. 1900	William Howe	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.48	0.00	3.15	53.15
Yr. 1911/46	L.F. Shaw	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	3.25	0.00	211.17	361.17
Yr. 1913	Jonathan Brown	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	4.69	0.00	371.02	521.02
Yr. 1913	H. Stevens	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	2.67	0.00	3.15	53.15
Yr. 1920	Mercy Sanborn George	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.34	0.00	6.30	106.30
Yr. 1929	Reverdy Smith	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	49.26	0.90	50.16	100.16
3/4/1933	Irene W. Hemphill	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.34	0.00	6.30	106.30
8/25/1935	Estella Hitchcock	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	278.40	0.00	281.84	381.84
3/21/1941	L.A. Roach - H.J. Wiggins	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		75.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	22.65	0.00	23.54	98.54
11/3/1944	Alice M. Wilcox	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.34	0.00	6.30	106.30
8/8/1952	Emma Etta Sanborn	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	600.53	9.09	609.62	1,009.62
Yr. 1948	Edith M. Miller	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.35	0.00	6.31	106.31
Yr. 1958	Frank E. Hastings	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	136.49	1.40	138.64	238.64
8/19/1958	Alberta & George Hastings	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		121.84	0.00	0.00	121.84	236.61	2.42	239.87	361.71
4/14/1960	Zena & Bernice S. Pillsbury	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	278.39	2.85	281.83	381.83
3/11/1963	Harriet B. Stocker	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	49.75	0.51	51.11	151.11
7/30/1964	East Grantham Cemetery	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		50.07	0.00	0.00	50.07	2.66	0.00	3.14	53.21
10/28/1968	Howard & Dorothy Ashley	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.35	0.00	6.31	106.31
6/4/1973	Hollis French	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	159.76	1.63	162.12	262.12
2/12/1974	William H. Howard	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	196.88	2.01	200.03	350.03
11/12/1975	Richard Howard	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	557.46	5.80	574.44	774.44
6/7/1980	Daniel & Caffrey Arsenault	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	619.01	6.33	626.45	826.45
3/9/1981	William & Henry Howard	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	636.57	6.51	655.99	2,155.99
10/8/1989	Florence/Orin Pillsbury	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	2,414.69	24.69	2,442.09	3,042.09
12/23/1963	J. Madison & Alice M. Howe	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		900.00	0.00	0.00	900.00	2,251.00	23.02	2,279.64	3,179.64
11/1/1982	Fl. & Hor. Kimball & F. Philbrick	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.35	0.00	6.31	106.31
4/19/1983	Mildred Dunbar (G.W. lot)	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	5.34	0.00	6.30	106.30
12/5/1990	Kathleen Preston	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	33.87	0.35	35.54	185.54
10/11/1995	Helen & Myron Cummings	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	305.93	3.13	314.16	914.16
12/12/1996	Lillian F. Howard	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	54.16	0.55	56.47	256.47
11/20/2001	Ruth Paynotta	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		175.00	0.00	0.00	175.00	9.33	0.10	11.01	186.01
11/20/2001	Jackson & Mathilde English	perpetual care	LSB CD/SAV		225.00	0.00	0.00	225.00	11.99	0.12	14.14	239.14
	TOTAL PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS				7,596.91	0.00	0.00	7,596.91	157.94	0.00	9,996.25	17,533.16

TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NH

MS-9 REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	***PRINCIPAL***			INCOME			Verify	
					Balance Beginning 07/01/13	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/14	Income During Year	Expended During Year		Balance End of Year 06/30/14
	GRANTHAM MEMORIAL CEMETARY MAINTENANCE FUND (B, RI)		LSB SAV		26,300.00	400.00		26,700.00	221.54	0.00	1,709.63	28,409.63
	\$200 of each Family Plot sold is added to Maintenance Fund											
	GRANTHAM MEMORIAL CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT FUND		LSB CD		6,450.00	100.00	0.00	6,550.00	73.49	0.00	2,776.67	9,326.67
	\$50.00 of each Family Plot Sold is added to Development Fund											
	TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS				40,346.91	500.00	0.00	40,846.91	452.97	0.00	14,422.55	55,269.46
	Please Note: CEMETERY FUNDS are made up of the following accounts:											
	Lake Sunapee Bank:											
	Perpetual Care Statement Savings #210135720		LSB SAV		7,596.91		0.00	7,596.91	157.94	0.00	9,936.25	17,533.16
	Cemetery Maintenance Statement Savings #210497657		LSB SAV		26,300.00	400.00	0.00	26,700.00	221.54	0.00	1,709.63	28,409.63
	Cemetery Development CO#1000174290		LSB CD		6,450.00	100.00	0.00	6,550.00	73.49	0.00	2,776.67	9,326.67
	TOTAL CEMETERY FUND ACCOUNTS		LSB CD/SAV		40,346.91	500.00	0.00	40,846.91	452.97	0.00	14,422.55	55,269.46
1900-2007	CEMETERY FUNDS		LSB CD/SAV		40,346.91	500.00	0.00	40,846.91	452.97	0.00	14,422.55	55,269.46

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	Balance Beginning 07/01/13	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/14	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year 06/30/14	Principal & Income 06/30/14	Verify
PRINCIPAL													
Town of Grantham:													
OTHER TRUST FUNDS:													
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	Dunbar Free Library	LSB SAV		300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	3.14	0.00	3.74	303.74	
	Sub-Total Town of Grantham				300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	3.14	0.00	3.74	303.74	
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
9/10/2008	Dunbar Free Library	Library Addition	LSB SAV		120,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	145,000.00	1,109.67	0.00	1,850.16	146,850.16	
5/10/1990	Fire Department Apparatus	Fire Trucks, etc.	LSB SAV		57,100.00	25,000.00	0.00	82,100.00	923.87	0.00	40,339.19	122,439.19	
7/17/1993	Town Office Equipment	Office Equipment	LSB SAV		6,451.12	1,000.00	0.00	7,451.12	53.19	0.00	1,835.60	9,286.72	
12/15/1995	Mowers	New Mowers	LSB SAV		16,900.32	0.00	0.00	16,900.32	116.55	0.00	116.55	17,016.87	
2/15/2000	Highway Equipment Fund	Highway Equipment	LSB CD		41,294.00	40,000.00	0.00	81,294.00	715.12	0.00	15,677.02	96,971.02	
7/17/2003	Transfer Station Equipment	T.S. Equipment	LSB SAV		55,000.00	5,000.00	46,273.49	13,726.51	322.81	7,676.51	0.00	13,726.51	
7/17/2003	Police Vehicles	Police Vehicles	LSB CD		20,000.00	10,000.00	28,149.92	1,850.08	154.17	2,850.08	0.00	1,850.08	
2/22/2005	Athletic Fields CRF	Athletic Fields	LSB SAV		10,955.90	0.00	10,500.00	455.90	72.37	0.00	72.37	528.27	
12/8/2009	Land Preservation	Conservation Land	LSB SAV		79,122.50	0.00	0.00	79,122.50	1,289.84	0.00	1,847.04	80,969.54	
12/8/2009	Municipality Reevaluation	Reevaluation	LSB SAV		70,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	858.31	0.00	703.86	100,703.86	
12/9/2009	Town Bldg Repair and Maintenance	Repair & Maintain	LSB SAV		50,295.04	5,000.00	0.00	55,295.04	406.16	0.00	406.16	55,701.20	
4/28/2010	Recreation Park Project Fund	Park & Playground	LSB SAV		1,002.49	0.00	700.00	302.49	3.53	0.00	3.53	306.02	
9/23/2010	Bridge Capital Reserve Fund	Bridge Design, etc.	LSB SAV		82,608.24	50,000.00	35,141.76	97,466.48	696.61	0.00	696.61	98,163.09	
9/18/2013	Town Library Repair CRF	Library Repair	LSB SAV		0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	73.40	0.00	73.40	10,073.40	
	Sub-Total Town of Grantham				610,729.61	201,000.00	120,765.17	690,964.44	69,097.88	10,526.59	64,479.80	755,444.24	
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS													
12/15/1995	Town Emergency Repair	Town Emer. Repairs	LSB SAV		6,231.68	0.00	0.00	6,231.68	89.78	0.00	6,882.24	13,113.92	
	Sub-Total Town of Grantham				6,231.68	0.00	0.00	6,231.68	89.78	0.00	6,882.24	13,113.92	
TOTAL - TOWN OF GRANTHAM:													
					617,261.29	201,000.00	120,765.17	697,496.12	6,001.43	10,526.59	71,365.78	768,861.90	
SAU 75:													
OTHER TRUST FUNDS:													
1891	Grantham School Fund Sale of Leased Land	Grantham Village School	LSB SAV		623.00	0.00	0.00	623.00	6.17	0.00	7.41	630.41	
6/18/1985	Glenn Hudson Memorial Fund [1]	Scholarship Fund	LSB CD		2,556.08	0.00	281.17	2,274.91	18.83	18.83	0.00	2,274.91	
1/30/1997	Jackson P. & Mathilde M. English Educational Fund [1]	Educ. Excellence	LSB CD		10,682.09	0.00	516.04	10,116.05	83.96	83.96	0.00	10,116.05	
12/11/2013	Hunt Scholarship Fund	Scholarship Fund	LSB SAV		0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.41	0.00	0.41	100.41	
	Sub-Total SAU				13,811.17	100.00	797.21	13,113.96	109.37	102.79	7.82	13,121.78	
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
10/8/2004	Grantham School Construction Fund	School Building#552	LSB CD		72,602.64	0.00	0.00	72,602.64	699.65	0.00	19,743.03	92,345.67	
	Sub-Total SAU				72,602.64	0.00	0.00	72,602.64	699.65	0.00	19,743.03	92,345.67	

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	Balance Beginning 07/01/13	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/14	INCOME	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year 06/30/14	GRAND TOTAL
									Income During Year			Principal & Income 06/30/14
SAU 75: [Continued]												
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS												
4/21/1997	Grantham School Expendable Trust	School Repairs	LSB SAV		44,205.78	0.00	0.00	44,205.78	386.89	0.00	12,260.91	56,466.69
4/31/2000	Grantham Village School Special Education	Special Education	LSB SAV		220,783.64	0.00	0.00	220,783.64	1,575.06	0.00	9,084.29	229,867.93
10/9/2003	GVS School Tuition	Secondary School Tuition	LSB SAV		85,355.00	0.00	0.00	85,355.00	548.94	0.00	9,385.55	94,740.55
	Sub-Total SAU				350,344.42	0.00	0.00	350,344.42	2,510.89	0.00	30,730.75	381,075.17
	TOTAL - SAU75:				486,758.23	100.00	797.21	486,061.02	3,319.91	102.79	50,481.60	486,542.62
Village District of Eastman:												
OTHER TRUST FUNDS:												
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS												
10/31/2002	Village District Security Improvement	Improvement Update	LSB SAV		8,959.54	0.00	0.00	8,959.54	65.86	0.00	82.55	9,042.09
4/27/2005	Village District Inventory Hardware	Hardware	LSB SAV		11,517.16	15,000.00	6,544.21	19,972.95	159.73	0.00	159.73	20,132.68
4/27/2005	Village District Filter Media	Filter Media	LSB SAV		21,138.49	3,000.00	0.00	24,138.49	177.50	0.00	177.50	24,315.99
4/27/2005	Village District Office Equipment	Office Equipment	LSB SAV		12,991.07	0.00	3,225.42	9,765.65	83.82	0.00	83.82	9,849.47
3/10/2006	Village District Well Renovation	Renovate Wells	LSB SAV		8,323.94	10,000.00	0.00	18,323.94	163.08	0.00	3,272.67	21,596.61
4/12/2007	Village District Vehicle Replacement	Vehicle Replacement	LSB SAV		43,106.52	20,000.00	1,126.82	61,979.70	453.21	0.00	453.21	62,432.91
9/5/2008	Village District Office Building	Office Building	LSB SAV		31,434.18	0.00	0.00	31,434.18	231.48	0.00	351.31	31,785.49
9/5/2008	Village District Well Exploration & Development	Well Expl. & Dev't	LSB SAV		8,000.00	0.00	0.00	8,000.00	59.37	0.00	127.61	8,127.61
9/17/2009	Village District Water Audit/Leak Study CRF	Water Audit/Leak	MBIA 0044		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00
9/17/2009	Village District Building Maintenance CRF	Building Maint.	LSB SAV		22,389.72	0.00	11,291.09	11,098.63	118.79	0.00	118.79	11,217.42
12/8/2009	Village District Allen's Drive Upgrade Study	Upgrade Study	LSB SAV		1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	6.97	0.00	12.71	1,012.71
8/2/2010	VDE Alternative Energy Study/Audit CRF	Energy Audit & Study	LSB SAV		2,500.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	18.38	0.00	24.79	2,524.79
8/2/2010	VDE Computer Software, Upgrades & Maint	Computer Updates	LSB SAV		1,011.70	3,000.00	3,941.99	69.71	8.09	0.00	8.09	77.80
7/14/2011	Water Storage Tank Repair and Maintenance	Water Tank Repair	LSB SAV		10,000.00	4,500.00	5,475.00	9,025.00	86.77	0.00	95.39	9,120.39
2003 & 2005	Village District Backflow & Meter Replacement	Backflow/Meter	LSB SAV		15,042.10	0.00	0.00	15,042.10	115.96	2,160.00	661.65	15,703.75
3/21/2013	VDE Well Decommissioning CRF	Well Decommission	LSB SAV		0.00	17,000.00	17,000.00	0.00	2.59	2.59	0.00	0.00
	Sub-Total Town of Village District of Eastman				197,414.42	72,500.00	48,604.53	221,309.89	1,751.60	2,162.61	5,629.82	226,939.71
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS												
12/27/1995	Village District Generator & Pumps Maintenance	Gen./Pump Maint.	LSB SAV		169.78	10,000.00	999.01	9,170.77	68.67	0.00	68.67	9,239.44
12/27/1995	Village District Water Main Maintenance	Water Main	LSB SAV		156,235.41	70,000.00	0.00	226,235.41	2,147.31	6,552.00	70,366.78	295,602.19
	Sub-Total Town of Village District of Eastman				156,405.19	80,000.00	999.01	235,406.18	2,215.98	6,552.00	70,435.45	305,841.63
	TOTAL - VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EASTMAN:				353,819.61	152,500.00	49,603.54	456,716.07	3,967.58	8,714.61	76,065.27	532,781.34
[1]	Withdrawal of principal pursuant to 9/30/11 Probate Court Order.											
[2]	Fund closed by VDE Commissioners with final checks on 6/17/13 and 7/16/13.											
	6/30/2014 REPORT TOTAL				1,448,186.04	354,100.00	171,165.92	1,531,120.12	13,741.89	19,343.99	212,355.20	1,843,455.32

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2014 Tax Rate Calculation

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10/23/14

TOWN/CITY: GRANTHAM

Gross Appropriations	3,089,931
Less: Revenues	1,072,918
	0
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	38,161
War Service Credits	79,600

Net Town Appropriation	2,134,774
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	2,134,774
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TOWN RATE
4.13

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget:			
Gross Approp. - Revenue	8,554,180	641,889	7,912,291
Regional School Apportionment			0
Less: Education Grant			(13,734)

Education Tax (from below)	(1,158,531)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	6,740,026

LOCAL SCHOOL RATE
13.03

EDUCATION TAX

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$2.480	
467,149,400		1,158,531
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
511,863,909		

STATE SCHOOL RATE
2.26

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	1,471,602
	0

Approved County Tax Effort	1,471,602
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COUNTY RATE
2.85

TOTAL RATE
22.27

Total Property Taxes Assessed	11,504,933
Less: War Service Credits	(79,600)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	462,691
Total Property Tax Commitment	11,888,024

PROOF OF RATE

Local Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
Education Tax (no utilities)	2.26	1,158,531
All Other Taxes	20.01	10,346,402
		11,504,933

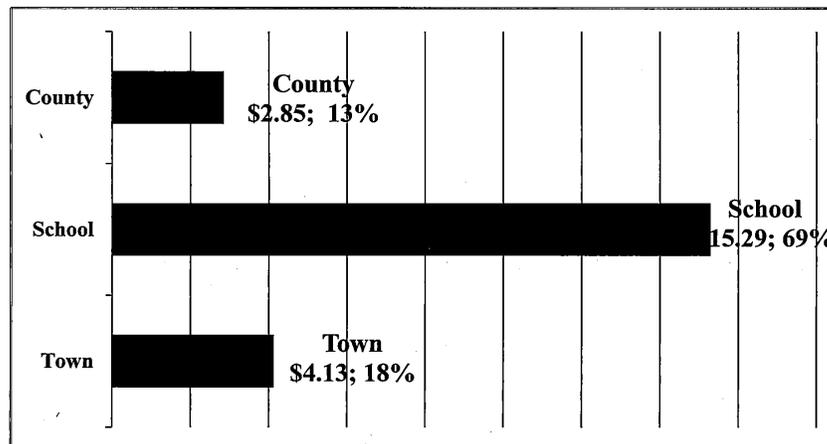
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Five-Year Property Tax Rate Review

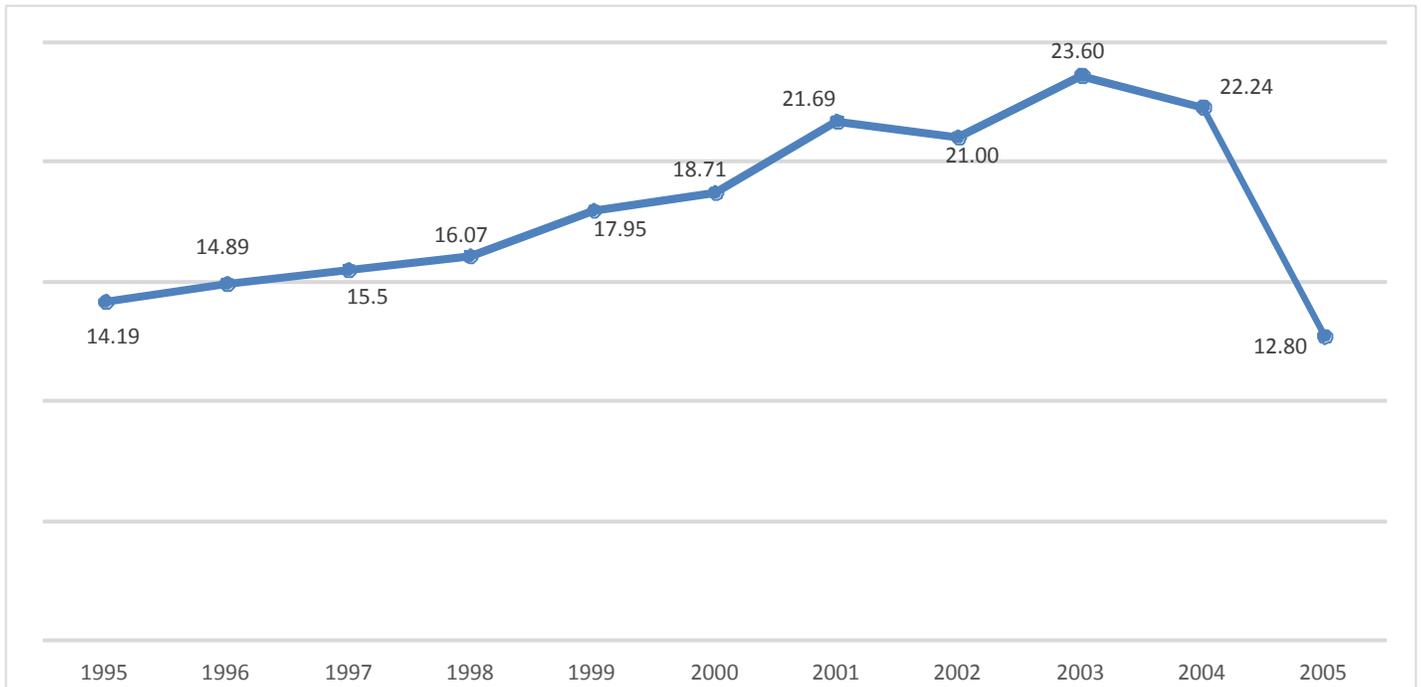
Tax Year	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Net Town Appropriation	1,751,804.00	1,623,781.00	1,335,057.00	2,054,135	2,134,774
Municipal Rate	3.46	3.18	2.61	3.99	4.13
Net School Appropriation	6,474,297.00	6,761,528.00	7,535,003.00	6,296,416	6,740,026
Local School Rate	10.47	10.76	12.32	12.22	13.03
State Education Taxes	1,163,304.00	1,252,997.00	1,198,739.00	1,232,228	1,158,531
Adequate Education Grant	11,775.00	11,775.00	11,775.00	12,717	13,734
State Education Rate	2.32	2.48	2.36	2.42	2.26
Combined School Rates	12.79	13.24	14.68	14.64	15.29
Net County Appropriation	1,493,729.00	1,471,085.00	1,480,179.00	1,449,314	1,471,602
County Rate	2.95	2.88	2.88	2.81	2.85
Village District Commitment	502,608.00	505,919.00	526,949.00	510,889	462,691
Village District Rate	1.47	1.47	1.53	1.48	1.34
Total Tax Rate - Grantham	19.20	19.30	20.17	21.44	22.27
Total Tax Rate - Eastman	20.67	20.77	21.70	22.92	23.61
Property Tax Commitment	10,122,663.00	10,263,338.00	10,777,013.00	11,463,882	11,888,024
Net Assessed Valuation Without Utilities	501,193,739.00	510,731,951.00	513,156,517.00	515,125,870	517,147,509
	Statistical Update 11% decrease in total valuation				

2014 Tax Rate Comparison

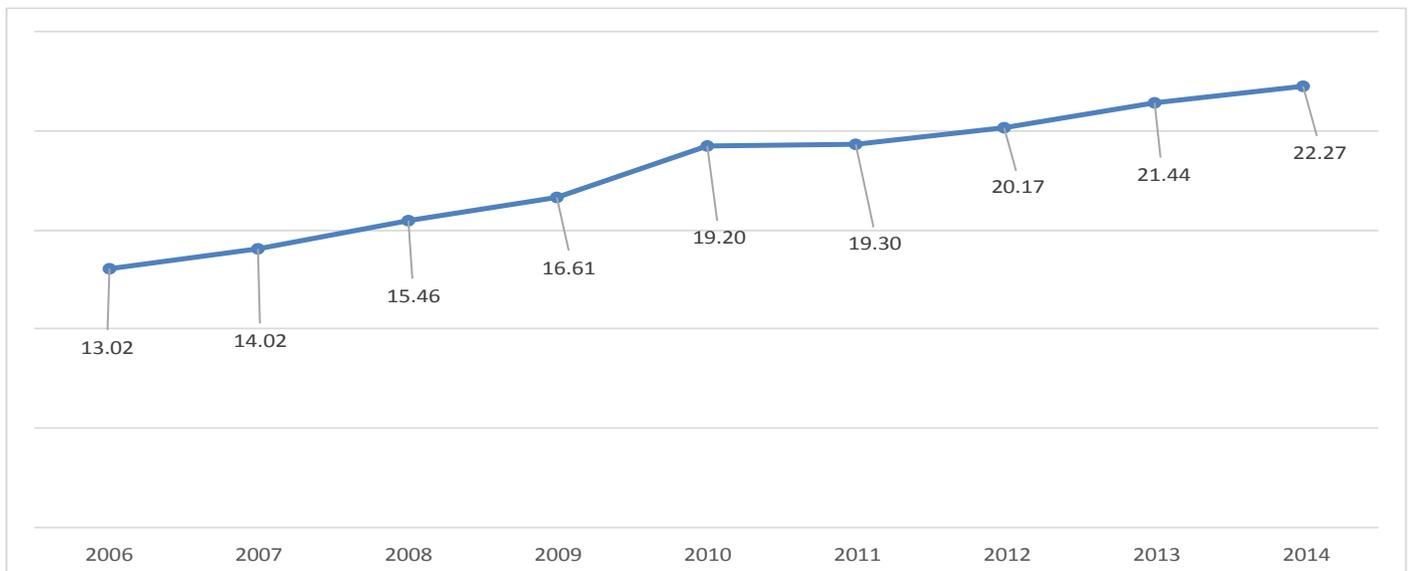


In the chart above, the dollar amount is per \$1,000 of assessed property value.
The percentage reflects the percent of the 2014 tax rate.

Town Tax Rate Trend



**The decrease in 2005 is a result of the full property revaluation in which the town's assessed valuation increased 51%



Schedule of Town Owned Property

<u>Location</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Purpose/Use</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Al Smith Road	207-004	Vacant - Ella Smith Lot	2.70	17,200
Route 10 North	207-005	Vacant - Al Smith Rd. Corner Lot	2.10	25,200
Croydon Turnpike	209-001	Vacant	72.00	97,300
Miller Pond Road	210-003	Vacant - Kimball Land	49.00	69,700
Off Meriden Road	210-004	Vacant - Wallis Land	0.63	1,000
Croydon Turnpike	210-005	Vacant - Kimball Land	16.00	36,600
Croydon Turnpike	210-006	Vacant - Minister Lot	59.00	74,300
Croydon Turnpike	210-007	Vacant - Wallis Land	31.00	51,900
Croydon Turnpike	210-008	Vacant - Vette Davis Land	80.00	88,300
Croydon Turnpike	210-009	Vacant - Minister Lot	20.00	41,400
Miller Pond Road	210-010	Vacant - Kimball Land	55.00	82,800
Miller Pond Road	211-012	Vacant - Lucius Smith Lot	29.00	55,400
12 Tall Timber Drive	211-069	Vacant - School Bus Turnaround	0.86	29,300
48 High Pond Road	212-090	Vacant Tax Deed	0.80	15,400
82 Anderson Pond Road	213-032	Vacant Tax Deed	0.98	9,200
38 Anderson Pond Road	213-053	Vacant Tax Deed	0.83	15,600
3 Shore Road	213-081	Vacant Tax Deed	0.69	9,700
400 Road 'Round the Lake	213-119	Vacant Tax Deed	0.85	16,100
18 Catamount Road	214-030	Vacant Tax Deed	1.80	14,800
3 Sugar Hill Road	215-137	Vacant Tax Deed	1.29	35,400
Burpee Hill Road	216-041	Hastings Cemetery	0.10	800
16 Bobbin Hill	216-089	Vacant Tax Deed	0.71	10,000
Croydon Turnpike	218-002	Vacant	37.00	76,800
Route 10 North	221-002	Vacant	0.74	19,500
Rawson Ridge	221-010	Vacant Tax Deed	9.41	73,500
Burpee Hill Road	221-058	Brown Cemetery	0.24	11,200
16 Deer Run	223-006	Vacant Tax Deed	1.97	19,400
17 Brookridge Drive	224-001	Vacant Tax Deed	1.14	14,300
17 Hummingbird Hill	225-044	Vacant Tax Deed	0.98	13,800
46 Troon Drive	225-101	Vacant Tax Deed	0.67	5,800
35 Walton Heath Drive	225-215	Vacant Tax Deed	0.69	71,700
41 Fairway Drive	225-273	Vacant Tax Deed	1.06	73,800
Route 10 North	226-026	Brookside Park	20.47	41,600
New Aldrich Road	227-023	Vacant	1.30	300
36 Gray Ledges	232-001	Vacant Tax Deed	90.00	390,600
300 Route 10 South	233-004	Town Buildings	9.20	1,174,700
251 Route 10 South	233-075-001	Fire Department	2.77	659,200
Learning Drive	233-075-003	Memorial Cemetery	8.07	138,700
Sugarwood Lane	233-096	Road	2.80	600
34 Greensward Drive	234-099	Vacant Tax Deed	0.91	49,700
66 Longwood Drive	234-120	Vacant Tax Deed	0.61	15,200
Route 114	234-142	Vacant	6.80	10,200
1081 Route 114	235-016	Closed Landfill Site	6.64	51,700
Airpark Drive	235-021	Vacant Tax Deed	6.66	48,500
1150 Route 114	235-030-003	Transfer Station	31.78	152,100
Route 114	236-004	Vacant	4.90	63,700
Stoney Brook Road	236-021	Hilldale Cemetery	1.80	65,300
401 Route 10 South	237-005	Dunbar Free Library	0.88	405,700
Route 10 South	237-032	Church Parking Lot	0.15	10,400
400 Route 10 South	237-033	Church Parking Lot	0.15	26,400
Dunbar Hill Road	237-061	Dunbar Cemetery	0.31	50,600
19 Shedd Road	241-006-001	Recreation Park	23.97	279,200
Stoney Brook Road	243-009	Vacant	3.50	42,800

2014-15 Town Employees Wages

Selectmen's Office/Town Hall

Jones, Constance A	Selectman	\$ 1,700.00	annual
Kimball, G. Warren	Selectman	\$ 1,700.00	annual
Story, Kenneth B	Selectman	\$ 1,700.00	annual
White, Melissa M	Town Administrator	\$ 2,246.15	bi-weekly
Jasper, Ann M	Administrative Assistant	\$ 19.06	hourly
Norris, Martha M	Receptionist/Office Assistant	\$ 14.34	hourly
Morris, Christopher	Treasurer	\$ 6,200.00	annual
Lewis, Robert A	Trustee of the Trust Funds Clerk & Bookkeeper	\$ 1,750.00	annual
Fogg, Robert E	Trustee of the Trust Funds Bookkeeper	\$ 1,750.00	annual
Cullen, David	Building Custodian	\$ 13.00	hourly
Woodworth, Roger D	Building Inspector	\$ 27.58	hourly
Hoen, Caroline	Conservation Clerk	\$ 15.00	hourly

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office & Election Officials

Friedman, Rita	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$ 1,827.23	bi-weekly
Towle, Cynthia J	Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$ 18.54	hourly
Goldman, Suzanne	Supervisor of the Checklist	\$ 150.00	per election
Noordsy, Sandra A	Supervisor of the Checklist	\$ 150.00	per election
Stamper, Donna	Supervisor of the Checklist	\$ 150.00	per election
Schweizer, Susanna	Moderator	\$ 450.00	annual
McClory, Lorie M	Assistant Moderator/Referee	\$ 900.00	annual
Adamic, Cynthia	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Fogg, Sara	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Gilliatt, Michele	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Goodrow, Janet M	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Lyons, Marilyn C	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Margolis-Cheever, Deborah	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
McCarthy, Judith A	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
McCarthy, Robert B	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Noordsy, Donald	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Peterson, Norah	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Peterson, Robert	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Poisson, Joseph A	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Poisson, Mary C	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Ryan, Karen D	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Stamper, James D	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Taylor, Jane R	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly
Wren, Susan	Ballot Clerk	\$ 7.25	hourly

Police Department

Madore Sr., Walter A	Police Chief	\$ 2,597.85	bi-weekly
Parsons, John W	Police Sergeant	\$ 24.50	hourly
Gamble, Ryan C	Police Officer	\$ 18.74	hourly
Soucy, Travis	Police Officer	\$ 17.41	hourly
DiPadova, Judith A	Police Secretary	\$ 18.37	hourly
Cunningham, Gordon V	Police Officer PT	\$ 18.28	hourly
Julian, Timothy T	Police Officer PT	\$ 18.78	hourly
Schwartz, Robert A	Police Officer PT	\$ 18.95	hourly

2014-15 Town Employees Wages

Emergency Services Fire/Fast Squad (Volunteer)

Gillespie, Stuart M	Fast Squad - EMT Coordinator	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$500 annual officer pay)
Avery, Lori L	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$250 annual officer pay)
Chipman, Bruce E	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	13.27	hourly
Chipman, Jane	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$250 annual officer pay)
Davis, Jill D	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	13.27	hourly
Figley, Joseph D	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$250 annual officer pay)
Figley, Susan S	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	13.27	hourly
Fountain, Jeremiah J	Fire Chief	\$	430.54	bi-weekly
Beckley, David B	Deputy Fire Chief	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$1500 annual officer pay)
Hastings, Justin R	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$600 annual officer pay)
McMahon, Jason T	Fire Lieutenant	\$	13.27	hourly (plus \$600 annual officer pay)
Angelli, Leonard R	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Bard, Rosie M	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Boyes, Christopher R	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Boyes, Susan	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Bushman, Katherine	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Coburn, Robert	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Dorko, Joseph	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Follensbee, William D	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Gill, Ian P	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Hammond, Erin E	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Howarth, Cory	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Lopez, Chris	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Mason, Brandon	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Merriam, Joshua	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly
Tibbits, Jack P	Firefighter	\$	13.27	hourly

Emergency Management

Davidy Beckley	Emergency Management Director	\$	300.00	bi-weekly
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Highway

Hastings, Jeffrey A	Road Agent	\$	30.03	hourly
Bircher, Thomas	Truck Driver - PT Summer	\$	25.00	hourly
Hastings, Brian	Truck Driver - PT Winter	\$	24.00	hourly
Carey, Glenn R	Groundskeeper	\$	18.20	hourly

Transfer Station

Scott, Christopher C	Transfer Station Supervisor	\$	17.03	hourly
Sweeney, Buddy	Transfer Station Attendant	\$	13.00	hourly
Fowler, Ronald M	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	10.98	hourly
Osgood, F. Robert	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	10.58	hourly
Reynolds, Hubert	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	10.25	hourly

Recreation

Googins, Marsha G	Athletics Director	\$	728.44	bi-weekly
Garland, Jamielynn	Activities Director/Planning Board Clerk	\$	565.38	bi-weekly/\$14.00 per hour clerk pay
Bitler, Justin C	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Chickering, Graham	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Googins, Andrew B	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Hansen, Jake	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Walters, Austin	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Hastings, Travis	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly

Library

Huston, Dawn E	Library Director	\$	1,671.92	bi-weekly
Gelston, Andy	Library - PT	\$	11.08	hourly
Goldstein, Karen	Library - PT	\$	11.59	hourly
Heepe, Teresa R	Library - PT	\$	13.22	hourly
Holmes, B Joey	Library - PT	\$	16.75	hourly
Travis, Barbara B	Library - PT	\$	14.82	hourly



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Grantham as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 18 to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement health care costs and obligations for other postemployment benefits in the governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would increase the liabilities, net position and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities, net position, and expenses on the governmental activities is not readily determinable.

Adverse Opinion

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter described in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the government-wide financial statements of the Town of Grantham as of June 30, 2014, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

*Town of Grantham
Independent Auditor's Report*

Unmodified Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major general fund and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Grantham as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Management's Discussion and Analysis – Management has omitted a Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

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

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

February 6, 2015

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2014

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,837,734	\$ 60,483	\$ 5,898,217
Investments	8,250	106,700	114,950
Accounts receivable	3,160	-	3,160
Taxes receivable	1,926,895	-	1,926,895
Tax deeded property, subject to resale	64,032	-	64,032
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	802,877	-	802,877
Investments	191,167	-	191,167
Total assets	<u>\$ 8,834,115</u>	<u>\$ 167,183</u>	<u>\$ 9,001,298</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 67,720	\$ -	\$ 67,720
Accrued salaries and benefits	3,794	-	3,794
Due to other governments	4,759,990	-	4,759,990
Total liabilities	<u>4,831,504</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,831,504</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenue - Property taxes	<u>1,242,594</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,242,594</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	64,032	40,847	104,879
Restricted	225,182	14,423	239,605
Committed	768,862	98,850	867,712
Assigned	84,129	13,063	97,192
Unassigned	1,617,812	-	1,617,812
Total fund balances	<u>2,760,017</u>	<u>167,183</u>	<u>2,927,200</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 8,834,115</u>	<u>\$ 167,183</u>	<u>\$ 9,001,298</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C-3
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$ 2,097,219	\$ -	\$ 2,097,219
Licenses and permits	651,236	-	651,236
Intergovernmental	235,319	-	235,319
Charges for services	70,810	8,263	79,073
Investment earnings	75,330	-	75,330
Miscellaneous	251,185	2,535	253,720
Total revenues	<u>3,381,099</u>	<u>10,798</u>	<u>3,391,897</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	913,500	2,882	916,382
Public safety	646,337	-	646,337
Highways and streets	240,896	-	240,896
Sanitation	244,008	-	244,008
Health	16,470	-	16,470
Welfare	1,273	-	1,273
Culture and recreation	264,671	-	264,671
Conservation	490	1,266	1,756
Debt service:			
Principal	60,000	-	60,000
Interest	33,150	-	33,150
Capital outlay	181,314	-	181,314
Total expenditures	<u>2,602,109</u>	<u>4,148</u>	<u>2,606,257</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>778,990</u>	<u>6,650</u>	<u>785,640</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	500	700	1,200
Transfers out	(700)	(500)	(1,200)
Inception of capital lease	148,000	-	148,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>147,800</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>148,000</u>
Net change in fund balances	926,790	6,850	933,640
Fund balances, beginning, as restated (see Note 16)	1,833,227	160,333	1,993,560
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 2,760,017</u>	<u>\$ 167,183</u>	<u>\$ 2,927,200</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT D
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
General Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 1,985,845	\$ 1,985,845	\$ 1,976,665	\$ (9,180)
Licenses and permits	572,700	572,700	651,236	78,536
Intergovernmental	190,022	190,022	235,319	45,297
Charges for services	44,000	44,000	70,810	26,810
Miscellaneous	2,000	52,000	159,805	107,805
Total revenues	<u>2,844,567</u>	<u>2,844,567</u>	<u>3,093,835</u>	<u>249,268</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	1,106,273	1,106,273	913,500	192,773
Public safety	575,010	575,010	498,337	76,673
Highways and streets	350,472	350,472	325,025	25,447
Sanitation	328,958	348,908	244,008	104,900
Health	16,570	16,570	16,470	100
Welfare	20,000	20,000	1,273	18,727
Culture and recreation	264,984	265,684	248,373	17,311
Conservation	2,000	2,000	490	1,510
Debt service:				
Principal	60,000	60,000	60,000	-
Interest	34,300	34,300	33,150	1,150
Capital outlay	65,000	160,442	173,229	(12,787)
Total expenditures	<u>2,823,567</u>	<u>2,939,659</u>	<u>2,513,855</u>	<u>425,804</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>21,000</u>	<u>(95,092)</u>	<u>579,980</u>	<u>675,072</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	15,000	131,092	131,092	-
Transfers out	(201,000)	(201,000)	(201,000)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(186,000)</u>	<u>(69,908)</u>	<u>(69,908)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>\$ (165,000)</u>	<u>\$ (165,000)</u>	510,072	<u>\$ 675,072</u>
Unassigned fund balance, beginning			1,237,108	
Unassigned fund balance, ending			<u>\$ 1,747,180</u>	

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2014-12/31/2014

--GRANTHAM--

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
DENICO, SEAN PIERCE	01/03/2014	LEBANON,NH		DENICO, HANNAH
HERMANSON, JULIET ROSE	02/14/2014	LEBANON,NH	HERMANSON, THOMAS	HERMANSON, KAREN
CORONIS, JACKSON ALAN	03/20/2014	LEBANON,NH	CORONIS, HUNTER	CORONIS, KELLY
LABORE, JACOB MATTHEW	03/24/2014	LEBANON,NH	LABORE, CRAIG	MURPHY, ANDREA
LEFEBVRE, LOGAN ELIZABETH	03/25/2014	LEBANON,NH	LEFEBVRE, BENJAMIN	LEFEBVRE, LINDSEY
FOWLER-THORSEN, EVANS MARIT	03/28/2014	LEBANON,NH	FOWLER, AMY	RINDE-THORSEN, EMILY
ASH, JADELINN ROSE	03/29/2014	LEBANON,NH	ASH, JOSHUA	ASH, JOELLE
BOBER, SAMUEL GERARD	03/30/2014	LEBANON,NH	BOBER, MICHAEL	BOBER, ISABEL
MINER, BRADEN DANIEL	05/08/2014	LEBANON,NH	MINER, MICHAEL	MINER, MELISSA
GILL, AYL A SUMMER	06/15/2014	LEBANON,NH	GILL, IAN	GILL, BONNIE
GARNHAM, IRIS SHIRLEY	08/07/2014	LEBANON,NH	GARNHAM II, TIMOTHY	GARNHAM, YVETTE
GREENE, JACKSON LAMBDIN	08/15/2014	LEBANON,NH	GREENE, WESTIN	GREENE, SHANA
GREENE, PARKER WYATT	08/15/2014	LEBANON,NH	GREENE, WESTIN	GREENE, SHANA
MONAGHAN, JOSEPH CONNOLLY	08/25/2014	LEBANON,NH	MONAGHAN, ROSS	MONAGHAN, KATELYN
SWOPE, JONAH EDWARD	08/29/2014	LEBANON,NH	SWOPE, TIMOTHY	SWOPE, REBECCA
KISER, JAMES MICHAEL	09/07/2014	LEBANON,NH	KISER, DAVID	KISER, JENNIFER
WALSH, KATHRYN ALANA	11/15/2014	LEBANON,NH	WALSH, JAMES	WALSH, SARAH
WALSH, CARTER BRENT	11/15/2014	LEBANON,NH	WALSH, JAMES	WALSH, SARAH
TABOR JR, ALEXZANDER LEIGH	11/24/2014	LEBANON,NH	TABOR, ALEXZANDER	SWETT, ERICA
MACIE, DYLAN NATHAKORN	12/22/2014	LEBANON,NH	MACIE, JEFFREY	MACIE, NATHASA

Total number of records 20

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RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2014 - 12/31/2014

-- GRANTHAM --

Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
GILLINGWATER, VIC D LEBANON, NH	YOUNG, NANCY M GRANTHAM, NH	LEBANON	LEBANON	02/08/2014
ARMSTRONG, DAVID A GRANTHAM, NH	BEAN, JENNIFER R GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	EXETER	04/18/2014
BENTON, ANDREW J GRANTHAM, NH	GODMAIRE, ANDREE GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	05/24/2014
NOBLET, SAMUEL B GRANTHAM, NH	POLLARD, LAURIE A GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	LONDONDERRY	06/27/2014
ASH, JESSICA A GRANTHAM, NH	RICHARDSON, TRAVIS B GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	JACKSON	12/13/2014

Total number of records 5

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2014 - 12/31/2014

--GRANTHAM, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
YUKICA, BETTY	01/14/2014	GRANTHAM	RINE, JACKSON	CAMPBELL, EMILY	N
HAYES, ELIZABETH	01/15/2014	NEW LONDON	COLLYER, FRANK	HUFF, ISABEL	N
HASTINGS, MARY	01/15/2014	GRANTHAM	BENNET, JOHN	OSGOOD, CHARLOTTE	N
SCHMIDT, GALE	01/29/2014	GRANTHAM	BUNCE, STANLEY	JACKSON, LILLIS	N
MANNIX, JOAN	02/10/2014	GRANTHAM	CONCANNON, LEO	HURLEY, HELEN	N
MOULTON, GERALDINE	02/26/2014	NEW LONDON	MOULTON, LESLIE	LAFOUNTAIN, HELEN	N
CROWLEY, JANET	03/16/2014	GRANTHAM	BLAKE, IRVING	PHELAN, EUNICE	N
NOBLET, MARGARET	04/11/2014	LEBANON	DRAUT, BERNARD	SMITH, EDNA	N
BARTON JR, DONALD	04/14/2014	LEBANON	BARTON SR, DONALD	SANBORN, LEILA	N
MCALLISTER, RUSSELL	04/15/2014	GRANTHAM	MCALLISTER, CLARANCE	RENNIE, ANNA	Y
BARTON, JOYCE	04/29/2014	GRANTHAM	SHERMAN, HENRY	RENEY, CORA	N
SANDS, RENEE	06/16/2014	GRANTHAM	SANDS, WILLIAM	HARDY, RITA	Y
BARNES JR, ROBERT	07/15/2014	LEBANON	BARNES SR, ROBERT	BLAZEJ, SOPHIE	Y
CALAFATI, CAREN	09/17/2014	GRANTHAM	CALAFATI, ALAN	MASON, DIXIE	N
WOOLSON JR, RAYMOND	10/23/2014	GRANTHAM	WOOLSON SR, RAYMOND	LEWIS, HARRIETTE	Y
GOSSETT, ROGER	10/27/2014	GRANTHAM	GOSSETT, WILLIAM	ZINGERY, DONNA	N
SANVILLE SR, RAYMOND	10/30/2014	LEBANON	SANVILLE, EDWARD	BADGER, ETHEL	N
DENATALE, NOREEN	11/09/2014	GRANTHAM	KEILY JR, THOMAS	GRIMES, MARY	N

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2014 - 12/31/2014

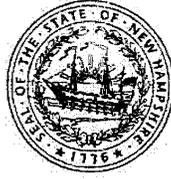
--GRANTHAM, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
WARNER, ANDREW	11/23/2014	GRANTHAM	WARNER, KARL	MOORE, JANE	N
LEONE, SUSAN	12/12/2014	LEBANON	CUTTING, ASA	NELSON, MAUDE	N

Total number of records 20

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Executive Council

JOSEPH D. KENNEY
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR
DISTRICT ONE



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(603) 271-3632

January 2015

As I start my 2nd year of service to you and the State of New Hampshire in Council District 1, I am reminded of the wonderful 35 years of service that the previous Councilor Raymond S. Burton gave to the people of New Hampshire. He will be deeply missed but not forgotten.

Governor Maggie Hassan has just been re-elected and I will work with her and the NH Legislature to solve problems, large or small, for the people of New Hampshire. Economic development is my top priority for the Northern most Council District and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. County and regional economic development councils coupled with community action agencies will be putting forth new initiatives to carry out this work and I look forward to working with them.

The NH Congressional Delegation - Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Kelly Ayotte, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congressman Frank Guinta in joining with other New England states and Canadian officials can cause new resources and partnerships to be created to support job growth.

2015 will start another year of the 10-year NH Highway Transportation Planning process working through the Regional Planning Commissions. National Infrastructure Investments (as known as TIGER Discretionary Grants), provide a unique opportunity to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects. The Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grants replace the Transportation Enhancement (TE) for Recreational Trails, and Safe Routes to School. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for details at 271-3344 or bwatson@dot.state.nh.us.

The 2015 session of the NH House and Senate will be a trying time with proposed cutbacks yet still providing and meeting constitutional and statutory needs. Be watchful of proposed legislation passing costs on to the county and local levels of government. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested please send your resume to Governor Maggie Hassan, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Jennifer Kuzma Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-2121. A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm.

My office has available informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically send, via email, a list of my schedule for the week. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you would like at Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov.

Contact my office any time I can be of assistance to you.

Joe

Entire Counties of Coos and Grafton, the incorporated place of Hale's Location, the towns of Albany, Alton, Andover, Bartlett, Brookfield, Center Harbor, Chatham, Conway, Cornish, Croydon, Danbury, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Gilford, Grantham, Hart's Location, Hill, Jackson, Madison, Meredith, Middleton, Milton, Moultonborough, New Durham, New Hampton, New London, Newport, Ossipee, Plainfield, Sanbornton, Sandwich, Springfield, Sunapee, Tamworth, Tilton, Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Wilnot, and Wolfeboro, and the cities of Claremont and Laconia.



Legislative Report for 2014

The 2014 legislative session that ended in June continued to make positive changes for the citizens of New Hampshire, help local town budgets, and make local government more efficient.

The legislature enacted protections for our citizens by addressing the issue of domestic violence. Under 'Joshua's Law' a crime of Domestic Violence was established that provided added protections for victims as well as added tools for law enforcement. Several other laws were passed including one I co-sponsored. RSA: 0238, placing household and domesticated animals under the domestic violence statute.

Linda L. Tanner

House of Representatives

Sullivan District 9



As a result of the passage of the bipartisan Medicaid expansion in 2013 session, tens of thousands of previously uninsured, hard working citizens are now enrolled in the New Hampshire Health Protection Plan. The State's Health Exchange now has 5 health insurance providers. This increase in insurance providers will offer market competition which is already lowering the cost of premiums. In addition, the legislature invested \$24 million to reverse crisis in mental health system and worked with hospitals to restore uncompensated care funding to state's hospitals and averts a major law suit.

Two important infrastructure bills supported by the Business and Industry Association became law. One looks toward future investments by establishing a 10 year transportation improvement program to develop a long term plan for investments in our roads and bridges. A four cents a gallon increase to the current road toll was passed that is estimated to result in an additional \$33 million annually. This increase will provide an estimated \$4 million per year funding for highway block grants to municipalities, as well as municipal bridge aid, monies for resurfacing and reconstructing secondary roads and the completion of the expansion of I-93 from the Massachusetts border to Manchester.

Often bills are proposed to help local government become more efficient. Examples of new laws to help local government are modifying the process for fill and dredging permits, forming a committee to study land conservation, and allowing the earlier counting of absentee ballots.

The 2015 legislature is facing some tough budget decisions. Fiscal stewardship is about ensuring that we make smart choices about how we spend each taxpayer dollar. We need to work towards long term planning and investments for the future of New Hampshire. We need to invest in education, job training, and address our energy needs.

As I leave office, I want to thank you for this opportunity to serve in our citizen legislature. I have been honored to serve the hard working men, women, and children of Sullivan County as a State representative for the last two years.

Linda Tanner
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Sincerely,
Linda L. Tanner
State Representative

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Involuntary Lot Merger 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 pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa.

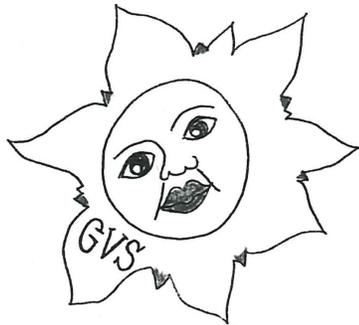
Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

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

To restore your property to the pre-merger status you must make a written 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.

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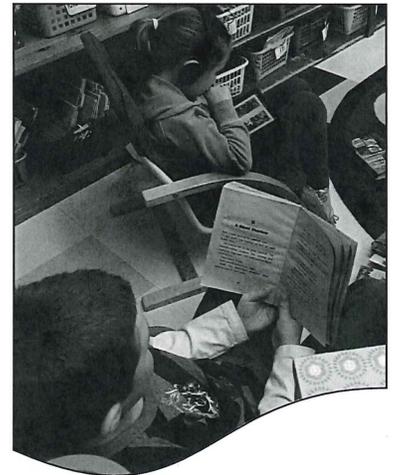


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*M. Morgan
8/20/14*



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Carl Hanson	District Moderator	To leave a message for the Moderator, Treasurer or District Clerk, please call the SAU Office at 603-863-9689.
Beverly Austin	District Treasurer	
Dwight Wilder	District Clerk	

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2015 School District Meeting**Report of the Chairman of the Grantham School Board**

In my report last year, I referred to the death of our friend and fellow School Board member, Gale Schmidt. I described her determination to bring the outdoor world into the curriculum and classrooms of the Grantham Village School. This year, I am pleased to report that the concept of an “Outdoor Classroom,” dedicated to keeping the spirit of Gale alive through the exploration of the scientific wonders of the environment surrounding the Grantham Village School, is nearing reality. Soon, a dedicated group of volunteers, aided by the generosity of Gale’s friends and the Grantham Community, will bring concrete examples of how such an Outdoor Classroom will enrich the lives of our children. Stay tuned!!

This year, new additions to our talented staff have challenged them to set even higher expectations of academic excellence for their students. In addition, Principal Cantagallo, supported by Superintendent Guillette, continues to inform the School Board on the work of bringing the latest use of technology to our students and staff, the revision of major curriculum areas such as language arts and science, and additional ways to improve the functionality of our modern facility. Both parents and children experience the fruits of the Grantham community’s support of funding that provides the resources to accomplish such work.

As always, I want to thank my colleagues on the Board, Carolyn Simon, John Eylander, Janet Correia and Laurie Hanks for their hard work and diligence. We are all appreciative of Laurie’s willingness to step up to fulfill Gale Schmidt’s term, a demonstration of her dedication to the GVS community.

Robert B. McCarthy

2014-2015 School Board for the District of Grantham

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Grantham School District Personnel

Name	Department	FTE	Education	Step /Track on GEA Contract	Yearly Salary
Ardell, Maren	Director of Special Ed., SAU	Part-time .25	MA+30	40	41,125
Bailey, Debra	Food Service	Full-time .65	N/A	N/A	23,280
Bechta-Piedmont, Diana	5th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	Off	72,693
Berger, Astrid	6th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA+15	6	45,882
Brewer, Lynn	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	Off	22,113
Britton, Randy	Technology Teacher Leader	Full-time 1.0	N/A	N/A	77,000
Brown, Leslie	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	11	22,429
Buckman, Denise	4th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	Off	70,749
Canning, Patricia	Special Educator Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	15	66,687
Cantagallo, Heather	Principal	Full-time 1.0	E.S.	N/A	88,282
Cormier, Susan	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	Off	24,352
Crutchfield, Robert	3rd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	15	58,122
Damren, Allen	Business Administrator, SAU	Part-time .11	MBA	N/A	16,565
Dontonville, Roger	Physical Education Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	Off	79,011
Duryee, Jessica	Speech Language Pathologist	Full-time 1.0	MA+30	15	68,688
Edgar-Howard, Nancy	Reading Specialist	Full-time 1.0	MA	Off	70,749
Eylander, Karen	Nurse	Full-time 1.0	BA	15	58,122
Field, Laurie	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	9	21,758
Gauvin, Sheri	Paraprofessional	Part-time .50	N/A	3	10,976
Gianni, Kevin	5th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	17	70,749
Gilliatt, Michelle	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	7	21,099
Gioldassis, Kathryn	Special Educator Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	8	52,643
Goldstein, Karen	Librarian	Part-time .50	BA+30	2	41,989
Googins, Marsha	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	11	22,429
Grant, Deborah	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	Off	23,462

Name	Department	FTE	Education	Step/Track on GEA Contract	Yearly Salary
Guillette, Jacqueline	Superintendent, SAU	Part-time .50	CAGS	Off	64,597
Harwood, Anna-Louise	2nd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	15	58,122
Hoefs, Christopher	Music Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	3	40,766
Hutchins, Samantha	1st Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	4	41,989
Johnson, Kimberly	4th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	8	51,110
Johnston, Kara	2nd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	9	54,222
Kosiorek, Linda	Staff Accountant, SAU	Full-time 1.0	MBA	5	56,694
Kustka, Ashley	3rd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	9	54,222
Larrabee, Betty	Art Teacher	Part-time .60	BA	Off	34,872
Martin, Katherine	Kindergarten Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	15	58,122
Mason, Denise	Food Service	Part-time .35	N/A	N/A	8,986
Molloy, Brenda	Administrative Assistant, SAU & GVS	Full-time 1.0	BA	N/A	31,766
Palermo, Mike	Custodian	Full-time 1.0	N/A	N/A	39,368
Peirce, Deborah	Food Service	Part-time .30	N/A	N/A	7,910
Quintal, Ron	Custodian	Part-time .60	N/A	N/A	21,286
Reed, Kristen	1st Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	15	66,687
Renehan, Oliver	Custodian	Full-time 1.0	N/A	N/A	47,350
Richard, Mary	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	14	23,429
Stockman, Kathleen	Behavioral Interventionist	Full-time 1.0	MA	15	64,745
Sylvain, Casey	6th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	11	57,525
Taylor, Scott	Director of Facilities	Full-time 1.0	N/A	N/A	62,498
Tilton, Nora	Administrative Assistant	Full-time 1.0	N/A	AA	45,023
Volckaert, Katherine	Paraprofessional	Full-time .93	N/A	3	18,441
Wallace, Lynn	Reading Specialist	Full-time 1.0	BA+30	Off	65,418
Wallstrom, Jennifer	Kindergarten Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	13	61,028
Widman, Kris	School Counselor	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	15	66,687

GVS Total Full Time Equivalent (FTE's) 42.30
SAU Total Full Time Equivalent (FTE's) 2.43

Note: N/A refers to non-applicable or not available.
Other Contracted Service Providers:
Mary Boyea, Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
Jeanne Hines, Physical Therapist

Report of the Superintendent of Schools**Annual School District Report – 2015****Office of the Superintendent – SAU #75**

To the Citizens of Grantham:

Thank you for your continued support for the Grantham School District. Thanks to that support, together we have made many improvements for our school this past year.

1. Principal Cantagallo and the Grantham Village School staff have completed a number of required and critical plans which the School Board has or will approve – a new Staff Development Plan, a new Technology Plan, a new Faculty and Staff Evaluation Plan, and a new Language Arts Curriculum. The staff is also working with new materials for supporting our Math Curriculum, is implementing a new writing program, and is working on revising the Science Curriculum.
2. We have a new Technology Education Teacher Leader - Grantham resident Mr. Randy Britton. Mr. Britton has more effectively and efficiently deployed our current technology to the appropriate grade levels to match the instructional needs of those students. He has brought consistency and usability to what was unpredictable technology at Grantham Village School. He is guiding our technology use and future planning. Thank you for supporting this position in last year's budget.
3. At last year's Annual School District meeting 2014, the Grantham community also supported the concept of hiring two part-time custodians to help us keep our school and grounds well-maintained and to protect this community's investment in its school building. Unable to find the right people, we re-advertised the two positions as one position, 30 hours a week, with benefits. We hired Mr. Ron Quintal to be our third shift/Saturday custodian. With his addition to our staff, we are seeing a big difference in the cleanliness of our school, in our ability to do preventative maintenance work, and in our ability to tackle some long-standing projects around the school. Again, thank you for supporting this need for more custodial time through your approval of last year's budget.
4. This budget for 2015-2016 reflects the third year of the three year contract approved by Grantham citizens in 2013. The base of the salary chart for certified teachers will increase 2.5%. Non-union employees will receive an average salary increase of 2.71%.
5. Overall, the gross dollars for the proposed 2015-2016 budget (General Fund, Food Service, Grants) are down/decreased (\$229,989) budget to budget, or a -2.69% decrease budget to budget.
6. The tax rate for this budget proposes an increase of 16 cents per thousand or \$32.00 increase on a \$200,000 house or \$15.45/\$1000.

7. Please remember, the School Board returned over \$300,000 in the fall of 2014 from unanticipated revenues and unassigned (unspent) funds. This reduced the tax impact of the 2014-2015 budget from the approved rate of \$15.97 to the tax rate as set of \$15.29.
8. THIS proposed budget adds .16 cents to the 2014 set tax rate of \$15.29 – still less than the budget's impact as approved in March of 2014.

Ever mindful of the stretch to meet all needs in every family's household budget, the School Board and the administration are bringing forward a prudent and reasonable budget for your consideration.

See you at the Annual School District Meeting on March 3, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the Grantham Village School Gymnasium.

I had been asked: Per RSA 40:4-a It takes a request in writing of 5 voters who are present prior to the vote to have the voting be done by secret written ballot.

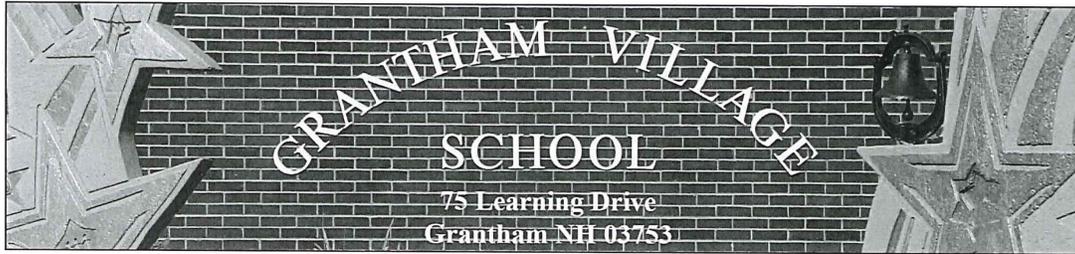
Thank you for your ever-present support for your children and your community.

Sincerely,



Jacqueline E. Guillette

Superintendent of Schools



Principal’s Report

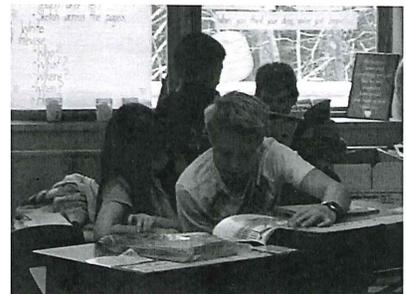
January 2015

The mission of the Grantham Village School, in partnership with the people of Grantham, is to provide excellence in education. Together we mentor our students to become critical thinkers, creative learners and independent problem solvers. We aspire to nurture in each student a lifelong love of learning. As competent, responsible, and caring citizens, our students will know and apply the skills necessary to make positive contributions within a diverse global society.

It is amazing just how quickly a year has passed since my first submission to the Annual Report! We are delighted to have several new staff members this year: Randy Britton (Technology Teacher Leader), Sheri Gauvin (Paraeducator), Katie Gioldassis (Special Education Case Manager), Karen Goldstein (Library Media Specialist), Chris Hoefs (Music and Instrumental Teacher); Kara Johnston (Second Grade Teacher), Ron Quintal (Custodian), and Katherine Volckaert (Paraeducator).

This year at GVS we continue to work on key areas:

- Curriculum development and alignment
- Increasing student achievement in reading, writing and math
- Increasing opportunities for authentic science instruction
- Differentiating instruction to support all learners
- Maintaining a positive and productive school culture
- Integrating technology
- Connecting with our community



Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment:

The faculty at GVS has been hard at work aligning and revising the language arts curriculum. Although curriculum work is never ending, we have placed the completed curriculum documents on our website. In order to support our language arts curriculum and promote best instructional practices teachers have attended training sessions with nationally recognized literacy expert Dr. Mary Howard and have adopted

the Lucy Calkins writing program. We continue to support students during the daily WIN (What I Need) block. This thirty minute block focuses on differentiated instruction based on individualized strengths and challenges. The faculty meets weekly to review student progress and plan for instruction.

This year, we have also implemented the newest version of the Everyday Mathematics series in our primary grades. We are pleased to see the increased emphasis on problem solving skills. The newest version is not available for the intermediate grades yet.

A number of teachers have worked to include new experiences in science at GVS. Casey Sylvain, sixth grade teacher, took part in specialized microscope training and also hosted a STEM (science technology engineering and mathematics) fair. Fifth grade teacher, Kevin Gianini, secured the Wellborn Ecology grant to fund the stream table as part of an ecology unit. The second grade has participated in PhUn (physiology understanding) week with UNH physiology professor Dr. Patricia Halpin. We are also continuing with Four Winds and Nature’s Classroom to support science learning.



This year we have a new music teacher who has assumed the duties of two half time teachers. Chris Hoefs is teaching general music classes for all grades as well as instrumental and choral instruction. Our music program participation has increased significantly since his arrival.

The state of NH has made some changes to our assessments. This year, all schools in New Hampshire are transitioning from the NECAP Assessment (administered in the fall) to the Smarter Balanced Assessment (administered in the spring). At GVS we will also continue to administer the NWEA, a computer based assessment of reading and mathematics. The Smarter Balanced Assessment is also computer based. We are required to meet specific technology standards for our equipment and internet speed. Thanks to the improvements and upgrades we have made over the past year, we are ready to go!

Professional Growth: At GVS we promote continuous professional development to improve our knowledge and skills as educators. The Staff Development Committee plans and conducts workshops throughout the year. We have held in-district workshops on reading, writing and math this year. Last spring we offered a master’s level course on differentiating instruction through New England College. We have also updated our Professional Development Master Plan and our Supervision and Evaluation models.

Technology: The addition of our Technology Teacher Leader (TTL) has been a huge asset for Grantham Village School! Randy Britton, our TTL, has been on the job since July 1st and has been extremely busy. Randy has refurbished and reallocated the equipment we already owned. He has redesigned the school website and is supporting the staff as they learn how to use the Google Apps for Education. He has made technology significantly more accessible to faculty and students.



Building and Grounds: Scott Taylor, GVS Facilities Director, has addressed issues

with the field and has made numerous cost saving improvements over the past year. This year, with the addition of a part time custodian, our custodial staff has been able to address some of the projects they have not had time for in the past. This has also helped to support Saturday building usage.

Community Connections: GVS is so fortunate to be part of such a supportive and involved community. At GVS we have a large volunteer group - this year we have 47 active volunteers! Over the past year we have worked with the Dunbar Free Library to ensure that all students would be able to check out books there. We also co-sponsored a summer reading kickoff event. Last spring we were able to offer free tennis workshops for GVS students thanks to the Eastman Recreation Department. Thanks to the generous support of our community, we were able to send a Destination Imagination team of fifth graders to the Destination Imagination Globals in Tennessee in May.

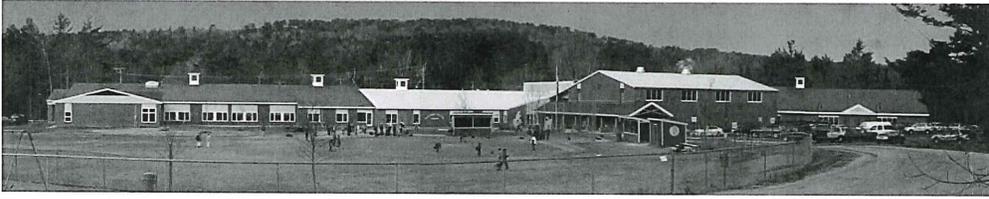
School Spirit: At GVS we are PROUD to be HAWKS! We have been working on creating opportunities for students to get to know children from other grades. In the fall we continued the Unity Day hike tradition. Last winter we held the GVS Winter Olympics and this year we have hosted a few school wide buddy reading events. The whole school comes together each day when we collectively recite the Pledge of Allegiance and the GVS Pledge which is as follows: *I am an important member of Grantham Village School. I am the one and only person who has the power to decide what I will be and do. I am in charge of my learning and behavior. I am safe, respectful and responsible. I will accept the consequences for my decisions. I will be a credit to myself, my family, GVS, and the Grantham community. I am proud to be a hawk!*



I consider myself very fortunate to be part of a school and community that is collectively focused on providing the best education possible. Thank you for all that you do!

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Cantagallo
Principal



Grantham Student Enrollments
Grantham Village School

Lebanon Middle School and Lebanon High School
as of January 5, 2015

Grantham Village School

Kindergarten	25
1 st Grade	28
2 nd Grade	33
3 rd Grade	37
4 th Grade	38
5 th Grade	26
6 th Grade	<u>42</u>
Total	228

Lebanon Middle School

7 th Grade	40
8 th Grade	<u>31</u>
Total	71

Lebanon High School

9 th Grade	38
10 th Grade	42
11 th Grade	26
12 th Grade	<u>29.2*</u>
Total	135.2

* Student tuition is pro-rated with another district.

Note that individual names of students have intentionally been excluded in this Annual Report due to an awareness that providing student names may be a safety concern for some. This has become best practice in education and Grantham’s SAU has adopted this approach in the current year.

Approved Rules for 2015

Grantham School District Meeting

1. No article may be brought up for reconsideration unless it is brought up immediately after the vote has been determined and announced.
2. Passing over an article is not in the spirit of the meeting and will be ruled out of order.
3. Registered voters will be seated on the main floor and in the center of the bleachers. Non-voters will be seated in the side sections of the bleachers. Non-voters who are not officers of the school district may be allowed to address the meeting only if the meeting votes to permit it.
4. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify herself or himself.
5. The moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately, after the vote is declared, and before any business is conducted. (RSA 40:40b)
6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to the vote of the amendment.

Town of Grantham, New Hampshire
Grantham School District Warrant 2015.

March 3, 2015

Sullivan County, S.S.

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, (School District) in the County of Sullivan and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Village School gymnasium located at 75 Learning Drive in Grantham, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 6:30 pm to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To hear the reports of the agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

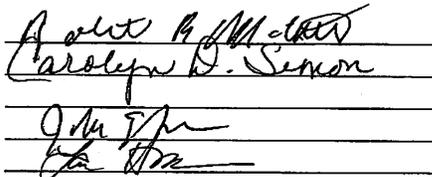
Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ EIGHT MILLION, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND, and ONE HUNDRED NINETY-ONE DOLLARS (\$8,324,191) operating budget plus food service and IDEA and other federal grant funds for the support of schools, payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said School District and to authorize the application against appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the balance to be raised by taxation by the School District. This article does not include funds requested in any other article. (Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Grantham School Board)

Article 3: To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting.

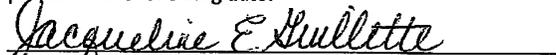
Given under our hands and seals at said Grantham, this 10th day of February, 2015.

A True Copy Attest:

Robert McCarthy, Chair
Carolyn Simon, Vice Chair
Janet Correia
John Eylander
Laurie Hanks



Jacqueline E. Guillette, Superintendent of Schools, appeared before me and certified that the Grantham School Annual Meeting warrant, the Grantham School District Election warrant, and the MS-26 were posted on the following date:


Superintendent of School

February 10, 2015


Notary Public

February 10, 2015

Seal:

LINDA KOSIOREK, Notary Public
My Commission Expires August 14, 2018

**Town of Grantham, New Hampshire
Grantham School District Warrant 2015**

March 10, 2015

Sullivan County, S.S.

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, (School District) in the County of Sullivan and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, Grantham Municipal Building located at 300 Route 10S, Grantham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 10:00 am to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, each to serve one year, and two School Board Members, each to serve a three year term.

Note: Polls will be open from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm. All other School District business will be considered at the School District Meeting to be held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at the Grantham Village School Gymnasium, 75 Learning Drive, Grantham, New Hampshire.

Given under our hands and seals at Grantham this 4th day of February, 2015.

A True Copy Attest:

Robert McCarthy, Chair *Robert McCarthy*

Carolyn Simon, Vice Chair *Carolyn D. Simon*

Janet Correia _____

John Eylander *John Eylander*

Laurie Hanks *Laurie Hanks*

Grantham School Board



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2015
MS-26

School Budget Form: Grantham School District (RSA 21-J:34)

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from:
July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016
Form Due Date: **20 days after meeting**

This form was posted with the warrant on February 10, 2015

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

SCHOOL BOARD CERTIFICATION

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

School Board Members	
<i>Robert H. Mickelthwait</i>	
<i>John Zhan</i>	
<i>John Doe</i>	
<i>Caroline Simon</i>	

Appropriations						
Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Instruction						
1100-1199	Regular Programs	2	\$4,737,818	\$5,111,839	\$4,922,739	\$0
1200-1299	Special Programs	2	\$731,922	\$847,300	\$848,506	\$0
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1499	Other Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	2	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs	2	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Support Services						
2000-2199	Student Support Services	2	\$268,444	\$303,154	\$346,307	\$0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	2	\$201,951	\$197,974	\$220,301	\$0
General Administration						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310-2319	Other School Board	2	\$0	\$50,343	\$47,543	\$0
Executive Administration						
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services	2	\$210,419	\$237,383	\$244,322	\$0
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	2	\$254,830	\$260,299	\$268,325	\$0
2500-2599	Business		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	2	\$389,285	\$426,636	\$421,406	\$0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	2	\$155,693	\$211,378	\$215,029	\$0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Non-Instructional Services						
3100	Food Service Operations	2	\$102,178	\$105,155	\$106,469	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction						
4100	Site Acquisition		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4400	Educational Specification Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Outlays						

5110	Debt Service - Principal	2	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest	2	\$291,692	\$275,719	\$259,744	\$0
Fund Transfers						
5220-5221	To Food Service	2	\$5,000	\$7,000	\$3,500	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	2	\$73,210	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5310	To Charter Schools		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5390	To Other Agencies		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Appropriations			\$7,777,442	\$8,454,180	\$8,324,191	\$0

Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Articles Recommended						

Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Individual Articles Recommended						

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Local Sources					
1300-1349	Tuition		\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	2	\$2,199	\$1,500	\$1,500
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	2	\$71,643	\$82,500	\$82,500
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources					
3210	School Building Aid	2	\$107,513	\$107,513	\$107,513
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0

3220	Kindergarten Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3230	Catastrophic Aid	2	\$18,538	\$15,000	\$15,000
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	2	\$882	\$1,500	\$1,500
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Sources					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	2	\$22,945	\$21,155	\$22,469
4570	Disabilities Programs	2	\$51,587	\$45,000	\$45,000
4580	Medicaid Distribution		\$5,272	\$0	\$0
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)	2	\$14,180	\$20,000	\$20,000
4810	Federal Forest Reserve		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfers from Food Service Special Revenues Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources	2	\$111,774	\$39,500	\$35,000
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$308,221	\$0
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$406,533	\$641,889	\$330,482

Budget Summary

Item	Current Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$8,454,180	\$8,324,191
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$100,000	\$0
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$8,554,180	\$8,324,191
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$641,889	\$330,482
Less: Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	\$1,172,265	\$1,151,436
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$6,740,026	\$0

GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING
March 4, 2014

Moderator: Carl Hanson

District Officers:

Robert McCarthy, School Board Chair
Carolyn Simon, School Board Vice-Chair
Steven Miller, School Board
John Eylander, School Board
Dwight Wilder, School District Clerk

Non-Resident Officials:

Jacqueline Guillette, Superintendent of Schools, SAU 75
Heather Cantagallo, Principal, Grantham Village School
Maren Ardell, District Special Education Director
Allen Damren, School District Business Manager
Erin Feltes, District Legal Counsel

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM, and introduced himself, the meeting having been duly warranted. He called attention to the approved rules of the meeting on page 14 of the Annual Report, and reviewed the rules for seating of residents and non-residents. He called for a motion to allow non-resident officials and agents to speak to the meeting, as appropriate or necessary. The motion was made, seconded, and carried by unanimous voice vote.

The School Board Chair was recognized to make introductions. Mr. McCarthy called attention to the front cover of the Annual Report, which had a picture of Gale Schmidt, recently deceased Board member, and he paid tribute to Ms. Schmidt's contributions. The meeting stood for a moment of silence in her memory. In introducing the other members of the Board, he noted that Steve Miller would be leaving. The other district officials were also introduced.

Mr. Hanson read Article #1: **"To hear the reports of the agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto."** Mr. McCarthy moved, with second by Mr. Miller, the adoption of the article. There was a request that salaries could hereafter be listed along with the names of District employees. The article was then adopted by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Simon read and moved Article 2: **"To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of EIGHT MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$8,454,180) operating budget plus food service and IDEA and other federal grant funds for the support of schools, payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said School District and to authorize the application against appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the balance to be raised by taxation by the School District. This article does not include funds requested in any other article. (Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Grantham School Board."** The motion was seconded.

Mr. McCarthy outlined the budget process and district goals, including (1) fostering greater community engagement; (2) promoting a safe, sustainable, and nurturing environment; (3) supporting staff professional development; and (4) supporting the development of rigorous and relevant curriculum. He noted the involvement of the staff, community, and Grantham Education Association in the budget process, and last year's advisory vote relating to the development of a World Language curriculum. A total of four Board meetings focusing on the budget and three public budget forums were held. The 2014-2015 priorities include technical support, building maintenance, increasing paraprofessional time by 30 minutes per day, and the deferral of a World Language program until the following year. He noted that class sizes are holding steady, contributing to the basic stability of GVS: the apparent drop in enrollment is due to the fact that kindergarten enrollment has yet to take place. At the Middle and High School levels, he noted that Lebanon is required to take our students under the AREA agreement. He noted shifts in the tuition at MS and HS levels, resulting in a net increase of \$113,395 – 1/5 of the overall increase in the budget, which will rise by 6.4%, with a tax impact of \$1.13 per \$1000, and a total tax rate of \$15.77. He concluded by observing that our tax rate has risen

since 2011 by roughly \$2, and our cost per pupil is the lowest of four comparable area towns (Grantham, Lyme, Plainfield, and Sunapee).

Mr. Miller then outlined the impact of our Collective Bargaining Agreement, Ms. Simon reviewed the impact of Special Education costs, and discussed proposed staffing changes, particularly the addition of a Technology Teacher Leader, resulting in lower contracted computer services and the Media Specialist position focusing more on print media. Mr. Miller outlined proposed changes in custodial services by hiring two part-time custodians to close the gap in cleaning and light maintenance. Ms. Simon outlined the change from two part-time music positions to a single full-time music position. She noted other costs in instructional supplies, workbooks, textbooks, and changing Bus G7 to a larger size to even out the load carried by each bus.

Mr. McCarthy summarized the presentation, pointing out that the largest fixed budget items constituted 90% of the total budget increase, with contractual obligations accounting for 88%.

Discussion and questions voiced pertaining to Article 2:

- Will we be able to hire a music teacher who can cover both instrumental and vocal instruction? (Ms. Cantagallo said yes.)
- Disappointment that, with the Technology Teacher Leader, the Library position will become half-time, especially when Common Core standards are being introduced. We need breadth of support, and current volunteer support is stretched thin. Mr. McCarthy noted that the Media Specialist can focus on print more fully without having to address tech issues; Ms. Cantagallo added that the role of Media Specialist has been evolving in recent years. Both print and technological media have a place. IT support is critical to efficiency.
- Concern that the emphasis on technology leaves less room for “wonder and excitement.” Do we need K-6 students to be computer literate? Mr. Eylander stressed that while technology is here to stay, and is essential in the economy, reading is still an important part of the curriculum.
- The SAU has to ask permission for buses to use the roads in Eastman each year.
- GVS still teaches cursive writing.
- The Board was commended for its work on the budget, and the GVS staff for their caliber.
- The custodial changes are important to ensuring a healthy environment.

Article 2 was then voted on, and carried by a majority voice vote.

Mr. Eylander presented and moved Article 3: **“Special Article – Appropriation to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to be added to the Grantham Village School Special Education Expendable Trust Fund established in 1997. (Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Grantham School Board)”**

Mr. Miller seconded. Mr. Eylander spoke to Article 3, explaining that the fund was established to cover costs of student out-of-district placements. We expect to have to draw on this fund in the current year, per federal law, when GVS resources are not adequate to meet individual educational needs. He noted that there is a clear and detailed process for deciding on an outplacement. Supt. Guillette was asked about the current balance of \$229,000 in the fund: she said we expected to withdrawal between \$50,000 and \$100,000 this year. Another question was asked as to whether we qualify for Catastrophic Aid from the state. Ms. Ardell noted we receive such assistance, but it is not sufficient, and is allocated yearly. The District receives some funds back after we expend \$48,000, but those funds are not received until two years afterward. We also receive Medicaid. Ms. Ardell also noted that outplacement costs can vary widely. A question was then asked if we will need \$50,000 going forward: it will depend on the needs of families in the District.

Article 3 was then voted on, and carried by a majority voice vote.

Mr. Miller then read and moved Article 4: **“Special Article – to Establish the Legal Services Expendable Trust Fund and Make a Appropriation Thereto: To see if the School District will vote to establish a Legal Services Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of funding extraordinary legal expenses as may be incurred from time to time by the School District and further raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to put into the fund; and further to name the School Board as agents to expend from the fund. (Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Grantham School Board)”** The motion was seconded. Mr. Miller spoke to the article, saying that it was felt to be prudent to set up the fund for unanticipated legal costs. Among the questions/comments then raised were what our past history has been with such expenses: last year, we incurred costs of \$46,000, which we were able to meet from our budget surplus; another raised the need to spread available funds to other town services, such as the Dunbar Library – which would mean we would need to meet unexpected costs with cuts from elsewhere in our operating budget; the Superintendent noted that there were budget surpluses in both 2012 and 2013, which were then reflected in a reduction of the fall tax rates.

A ballot vote was called for and conducted. The Article was duly declared adopted by a 72-52 majority vote.

Mr. McCarthy presented and moved Article 5: **“To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting.”** The motion was seconded. Mr. McCarthy then called attention to two items of business. First, the School District elections will be held on March 11, with polls open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM; Town Meeting will begin at 5:00 PM. Second, Mr. Miller was acknowledged for his incisive mind and the quality of his service on the Board. He was presented with parting gifts. The Superintendent provided clarification on the line item for the Media Specialist position, which included both salary and benefits.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwight Wilder
School District Clerk

