

Town of Grantham, NH

2017 Annual Report

250 YEARS!

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~ FIREWORKS SETUP ~



Above, members of the Grantham Fire Department talk with Tom Swenson of Northstar Fireworks, Inc. during the setup. The photo below shows all of the shells used during our event. A special thank you to Kimball Farms, Inc. of Jaffrey, NH for their \$1,000 donation toward this spectacular event!



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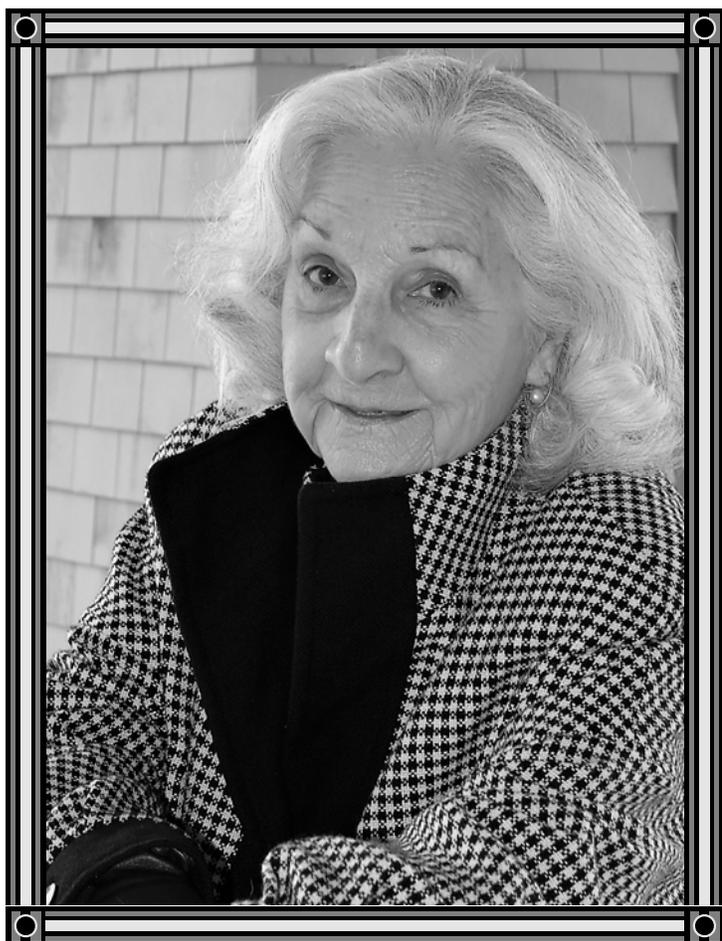
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2017 TOWN REPORT DEDICATION: MARY HUTCHINS



There are people in life you consider a privilege to know. The reasons you could feel that way are many and varied, but among the most meaningful are the character traits of a genuine concern for community and a desire to help and give back. Mary Hutchins is one of those people. Although not born in Grantham, Mary adopted our town as her own early on. Her devotion to its growth, rural character and positive direction has been truly impressive.

A daughter of the state of North Carolina, Mary and her late husband, Grantham native Bill Hutchins (known as “Hutch”) always maintained their connection to his hometown regardless of where they lived after their marriage and during the years they raised their family. Their travels took them many places, including Buffalo, New York, where she and her family developed a life-long loyalty to the Buffalo Bills. They returned to Grantham in the early-1970s to take up full-time residence,

moving into the ancestral Hutchins family residence in North Grantham.

Not long afterward, Mary commenced her vigorous legacy of giving back to the town. In 1979 she volunteered to serve on the newly-formed Conservation Commission, where she remained for the next two years. In 1986 Mary was elected to the Planning Board, where she served as both member and Chair over the next five years. In 2003 she worked on the Town Building Committee and helped to build the new town hall, completed in 2005. In 2006 Mary served on the Capital Improvement Committee, and remained there until 2009. Mary gave of her time to the Master Plan Committee in 2016 and 2017. Finally, she returned to the Planning Board in 2013, where she continues to serve to this day. And, she accomplished all this while achieving decades of success as an Upper Valley realtor.

The greatest asset of any community is its people. Grantham has been blessed with a great number of residents who love their town and have given back to it in many ways over the years. They all deserve recognition and thanks. And yet, there are a few whose commitment and hard work have been so exemplary and of such duration that a special debt of gratitude is appropriate and necessary. For these reasons, the 2017 Town Report is dedicated to our own Mary Hutchins.

TOWN DEPARTMENT HOURS AND CONTACT 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.....	8:30AM – 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

TOWN ARCHIVES; 34 Dunbar Hill Road; 603-863-9701

Hours:	Friday	1PM—4PM
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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

ELECTED OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

G. Warren Kimball, Chair	2020
Constance A. Jones	2019
Andy Gelston	2018

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Kenneth B. Story	2019
Penelope Palmer, Deputy (Appointed)	2019

TREASURER

Maynard Goldman	2018
Donald Noordsy, Deputy (Appointed)	2018

MODERATOR

Lorie McClory	2018
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CEMETERY TRUSTEES

G. Warren Kimball	2020
Christopher Paquette	2019
Russell (Pete) Bailey	2018

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Beverly Marshall, Chair	2019
Nicole Mason	2020
Robert McCarthy	2018
Tod Lloyd	2018
Aaron Jenkyn	2019

PLANNING BOARD

Carl Hanson, Chair	2018
Peter Guillette, Vice Chair	2018
Mary Hutchins	2019
Vacant	
C. Peter James, Alternate	2020
Warren Kimball, Selectmen's Rep. & Voting Member	

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Donna Stamper	2020
Sandra Noordsy	2022
Suzanne Goldman	2021

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

James Coakley	2020
Robert Fogg	2019
Maria Dahlman	2018

TOWN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Peter Guillette, Chair & Planning Board Representative

Ralph Beasley 2019
Raymond Miner 2020

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

David Wood, Chair

Susan Buchanan 2020

Richard Hocker 2020

Richard Kaszeta 2018

Laura Nagy 2018

John Larrabee, Alternate 2019

Dennis Ryan, Alternate 2018

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Paula Bresnick, Co-Chair

2018

Jeannine Chenevert, Co-Chair

2018

Kristina Burgard

2018

Donald Fitzpatrick

2018

Andy Gelston

2019

Peggy Martineau

2018

Michael Salo

2018

FRIENDS OF THE DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

Susan Wren, President

Deborah Cheever, Treasurer

Linda Martin, Secretary

Marsha Ash

Patricia Beasley

Susan Damon

Amy Davis

Nancy Evans

Linda Martin

RECREATION PARK COMMITTEE

Shawn Hayward, Chair

2020

Jennifer Beaulieu

2018

Jeremy Bachelder

2020

Mary Ann Sears

2020

Raymond Sears

2020

Marsha Googins, Athletics Representative

Warren Kimball, Selectmen's Representative

TOWN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES

Peter Guillette	2020
Lynn Kisselbach, Alternate	2019
Donald Nicholas, TAC Representative	2018
Stacey Chiocchio, TAC Alternate	2018

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Conrad Frey, Chair	2020
Myron Cummings	2020
Peter Guillette	2020
Tanya McIntire	2018
Peter Gardiner, Alternate	2019
Constance Jones, Selectmen's Representative	

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

The following is a list of regularly scheduled Board and Committee meetings. Meeting notices are posted on our website calendar at www.granthamnh.net, as well as on the bulletin boards at Grantham Town Hall, 300 Route 10 South and the Grantham Post Office at 21 Willis Avenue. Boards and Committees that meet on an irregular schedule are not included in this list. Changes to the regular meeting schedule are posted on our website calendar.

Board of Selectmen: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month; 5PM

Conservation Commission: 1st Monday of each month; 7PM

Energy Committee: 1st Monday of each month; 5PM

Library Trustees: Visit their website at www.dunbarlibrary.org

Planning Board: 1st Thursday of each month; 7PM

Recreation Park Committee: 3rd Thursday of each month; 6PM

Trustees of the Trust Funds: 2nd Tuesday of each month; 1PM

Zoning Board of Adjustment: 4th Thursday of each month; 7PM

If you are interested in serving on an appointed board or committee, please send a letter of interest and qualifications to the Grantham Board of Selectmen, 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH 03753 or email to admin@granthamnh.net.

TOWN STAFF

ADMINISTRATION

Melissa White, Town Administrator
Ann Jasper, Administrative Assistant
Martha Norris, Office Assistant & ZBA Clerk

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Greg Stender, Facilities Maintenance Manager
Glenn Carey, Groundskeeper

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Roger Woodworth

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

David Beckley, Director
Susan Figley, Deputy

FAST SQUAD

Stuart Gillespie, EMT/Coordinator
Gergana Alteva, Advanced EMT
Lori Avery, EMT
Bruce Chipman, Advanced EMT
Jane Chipman, Advanced EMT
Jill Davis, Paramedic
Jeremy LaBombard, Advanced EMT

FIRE DEPARTMENT (Volunteer/On-Call)

Jeremiah (Jay) Fountain, Chief
David Beckley, Deputy
Jeremy LaBombard, Lieutenant
Ryan Avery
Rosie Bard
Hunter Coronis
Justin Hastings
Cory Howarth
Brandon Mason
Jason McMahan
Lewis Meier
Stephen Ripley

FOREST WARDEN

Jeremiah (Jay) Fountain
David Beckley, Deputy
Justin Hastings, Deputy
Cory Howarth, Deputy
Jeremy LaBombard, Deputy
Brandon Mason, Deputy

TOWN STAFF

HEALTH OFFICER

Susan Figley

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jeffrey Hastings, Road Agent
Brian Hastings, Assistant Road Agent
Donald Cote, Part-time (summer)

LIBRARY

Dawn Huston, Director
Joey Holmes, Assistant Director
Karen Goldstein, Programming Assistant
Theresa Heepe, Library Assistant
Barbara Travis, Library Assistant
Andy Gelston, Substitute

POLICE DEPARTMENT

John Parsons, Chief
Gordon Cunningham, Sergeant
Ryan Gamble, Sr. Patrolman
Ryan Cameron, Patrolman
Kevin Bronson, Patrolman (PT)
Timothy Julian, Patrolman (PT)
Robert Schwartz, Patrolman (PT)
Judith DiPadova, Secretary

RECREATION DEPARTMENT (Part-time)

Vacant, Activities Director
Marsha Googins, Athletic Director

TOWN ARCHIVIST

Julie Cummings

TRANSFER STATION

Christopher Scott, Supervisor
Buddy Sweeney, Attendant
Ronald Bendel, Attendant (PT)
William Bullock, Attendant (PT)
Christopher Martin, Attendant (PT)
Hubert Reynolds, Attendant (PT)

WELFARE OFFICIAL

Board of Selectmen/Town Administrator

Town of Grantham



2018 Town Meeting Rules, Warrant and MS-636 (Budget of the Town)

March 13, 2018 Town Meeting Rules

1. The Moderator will use the following general rules of procedure, the main purpose of which are to keep the meeting moving and not get bogged down in procedural quagmires.
2. Non-voters who are not officers of the town or consultants to the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it. A simple majority is required.
3. The Moderator will consider each Article as follows:
 - A. The Moderator will announce the Article number, and the text of the Article will be displayed on the overhead screen or will be otherwise made available at the Meeting. The Moderator need not read the full text of the Article.
 - B. The Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectman or the petitioner (if a petitioned Article) to move the adoption of the Article.
 - C. If the Motion is seconded, the Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectmen or the petitioner to explain the Article.
 - D. The Meeting will debate and then vote on the Article.
4. ALL voters will direct their remarks to the Moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will go to the microphone, address the moderator by first identifying him or herself and providing his or her street address. The microphone is necessary for accurate recording of the meeting.
 - A. If a voter is unable to reach one of the stand-up microphones, the voter should raise his/her hand and one of the hand-held microphones will be provided.
 - B. In order for everyone to have the opportunity to speak, speakers will be limited to three minutes (with the exception of initial presentations on warrant articles).
 - C. No one will be recognized to speak a second time until everyone who wishes to speak a first time has had the opportunity.
 - D. If you agree with someone, it is OK to say that instead of repeating something that has already been said.
 - E. The microphone will also be used by people wanting to “Call (or Move) the question.” Anyone shouting it out from his or her seat will not be recognized. This will avoid preempting people who are already in line to speak to an issue.
 - F. A motion to “Call the question” requires a 2/3 vote. If this motion is passed, all voters standing at a microphone or holding a microphone, and anyone seated at the head table who has previously told the Moderator that he/she wishes to speak on the Motion will be allowed to speak.
 - G. The Moderator shall have the right to refuse to recognize a Motion to Call (or Move) the question if, in the Moderator’s opinion, the voters have not yet had an adequate opportunity to discuss an issue.

5. All questions and comments should be addressed to the Moderator. The Moderator will choose who responds to the questions.
6. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared and may only be made by a voter who voted on the prevailing side of the vote to be reconsidered.
 - A. Mandatory Restriction: A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$ 100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. In accordance with RSA 33:8-a, if a motion to reconsider a ballot vote on a bond issue of over \$ 100,000 passes, the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened Meeting that is at least seven (7) days after the original vote. With respect to bond votes, the restrictions on reconsideration automatically applies without the need for the Meeting to vote for it.
 - B. Optional Restriction: Voters may postpone reconsideration of any Article at this Meeting by voting to restrict reconsideration of the Article in accordance with RSA 40:10. If the Meeting passes such a motion, then the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened meeting held at least seven (7) days after the date of the original vote.
7. The moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion. All five voters must be present and identified.
8. 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.
9. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the Moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.
10. 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.
11. The Moderator will not accept negative motions which require a “no” vote to vote in the affirmative, such as “I move that we not adopt the budget.”
12. If the Meeting is not finished at 11:00PM, the Moderator may recess the Meeting to a future date.

TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN MEETING WARRANT AND BUDGET
YEAR 2018

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 of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Grantham to be held at the **Grantham Town Hall, Lower Level, 300 Route 10 South** on **Tuesday, March 13, 2018 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 10:00am until 7:00pm. The remaining articles shall be considered during the business meeting beginning at 5:00pm.

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	3 years
Moderator	2 years
Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	3 years
Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	3 years
Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	1 year
Treasurer	2 years

ARTICLE 2 – General Government

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million, four hundred sixty-seven thousand, three hundred thirty-three dollars (**\$1,467,333**) 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 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Selectmen’s Office	\$232,950	\$249,150	\$16,200
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$116,788	\$121,559	\$4,771
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$6,910	\$11,150	\$4,240
Financial Administration	\$40,200	\$41,200	\$1,000
Tax Maps/Assessing	\$43,000	\$41,000	(\$2,000)
Legal	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$5,000
Personnel Administration	\$694,990	\$772,517	\$77,527
Planning Board	\$4,050	\$4,250	\$200
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$2,050	\$2,400	\$350
General Government Buildings	\$132,125	\$126,200	(\$5,925)
Cemeteries	\$19,600	\$19,800	\$200
Insurance (Property & Liability)	\$37,000	\$38,050	\$1,050
Regional Associations	\$4,015	\$4,057	\$42
Other General Government	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$1,364,678	\$1,467,333	\$102,655

ARTICLE 3 – Public Safety

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred forty-eight thousand, twenty-four dollars (**\$748,024**) 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 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Police Department	\$457,517	\$498,110	\$40,593
Ambulance (FAST Squad)	\$89,949	\$98,630	\$8,681
Fire Department	\$125,855	\$131,784	\$5,929
Building Inspection	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0.00
Emergency Management	\$11,500	\$9,500	(\$2,000)
TOTAL	\$694,821	\$748,024	\$53,203

ARTICLE 4 – Police Cruiser

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year, \$65,000 lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to purchase a new 2018 Ford Expedition Police Special Service Vehicle, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,765 for the first year’s payment for that purpose. This agreement contains an escape clause.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 5 – Police Department On-Call Coverage

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,475 for the costs associated with the Police on-call coverage program.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6 – Public Safety Communication Upgrades

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$145,000 for the cost of a Public Safety Simulcast Radio System to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. No amount to be raised by taxation. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by June 30, 2023, whichever is sooner.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7 – Fire Department Thermal Imaging Cameras and AED’s

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,100 for the purchase of two thermal imaging cameras and three automatic external defibrillators (AED) for the Fire Department.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8 – Public Works

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred seventy-nine thousand, three hundred ten dollars (**\$779,310**) to defray the cost of **Public Works** 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 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Highway Administration	\$232,758	\$242,595	\$9,837
Highway Maintenance	\$177,200	\$175,700	(\$1,500)
Street Lights	\$4,000	\$3,000	(\$1,000)
Transfer Station	\$139,005	\$151,515	\$12,510
Waste Disposal	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0.00
Landfill Monitoring	\$6,000	\$6,500	\$500
TOTAL	\$758,963	\$779,310	\$20,347

ARTICLE 9 – Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to defray the cost of holding a household hazardous waste collection day for Grantham residents only.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 10 – Health and Welfare

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-five thousand, nine hundred dollars (**\$45,900**) 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 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Health	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$0.00
Boarding Animals	\$700	\$700	\$0.00
Community Services	\$17,500	\$18,500	\$1,000
Town General Assistance	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$44,900	45,900	1,000

Community Agencies:	Budget 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Lake Sunapee VNA	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$0
Newport Food Pantry	\$500	\$500	\$0
Sullivan County Nutrition Services	\$200	\$200	\$0
Kearsarge Area COA	\$3,900	\$3,900	\$0
Southwestern Community Services	\$900	\$900	\$0
West Central Services	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Public Health Council of the Upper Valley	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Visiting Nurse & Hospice of VT/NH	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000
Total	\$17,500	\$18,500	\$1,000

ARTICLE 11 – Culture and Recreation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred sixteen thousand, eight hundred ten dollars (**\$316,810**) 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 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Recreation	\$47,700	\$49,200	\$1,500
Dunbar Free Library	\$226,164	\$232,600	\$6,436
Activities	\$31,510	\$33,510	\$2,000
Archives	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$306,874	\$316,810	\$9,936

ARTICLE 12 – Conservation, Debt Principal, Debt Interest, and Tax Anticipation Note Interest

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fourteen thousand, seven hundred twenty dollars (**\$214,720**) 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 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Conservation Commission	\$4,500	\$2,500	(\$2,000)
Town Hall Bond/Interest	\$80,733	\$77,773	(\$2,960)
Library Bond/Interest	\$63,505	\$61,455	(\$2,050)
Fire Department SCBA Lease	\$37,197	\$37,197	\$0.00
Police Cruiser Lease	\$14,740	\$14,740	\$0.00
Highway 1-Ton Lease	\$20,955	\$20,955	\$0.00
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	\$100	\$100	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$221,730	\$214,720	(\$7,010)

ARTICLE 13 – 2014 Highway Plow Truck Lease Final Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$31,603 for the final payment of the 2014 Highway Plow Truck Lease with said funds to come from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 14 – Land Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$65,000 to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for the purchase of land and buildings located at 275 Route 10 South, Tax Map 233, Lot 76.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 15 – Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy-nine thousand dollars (\$179,000) to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance and to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds, as listed below**. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

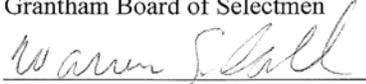
Account Title	Budget 2017/2018	Proposed 2018/2019	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Highway Equipment CRF	\$100,000	\$60,000	(\$40,000)
Transfer Station Equipment CRF	\$30,000	\$25,000	(\$5,000)
Library Building Repair CRF	\$15,000	\$5,000	(\$10,000)
Town Building Maintenance CRF	\$30,000	\$10,000	(\$20,000)
Fire Department Apparatus CRF	\$75,000	\$50,000	(\$25,000)
Police Vehicles CRF	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0.00
Public Safety ETF	\$20,000	\$0.00	(\$20,000)
Town Office Equipment CRF	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000
Municipality Revaluation CRF	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0.00
Town Clerk/Tax Collector Equipment CRF	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0.00
Town Emergency Repair ETF	\$10,000	\$5,000	(\$5,000)
TOTAL	\$303,000	\$179,000	(\$124,000)

ARTICLE 16 – 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.

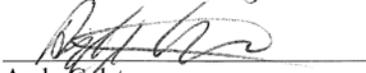
Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February, 2018.

Grantham Board of Selectmen


G. Warren Kimball, Chair

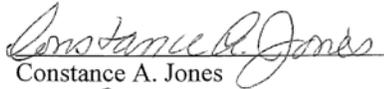

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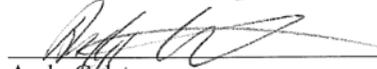
We certify that on the 19th day of February, 2018, we caused a true copy of the within warrant to be posted at the Grantham Town Office at 300 Route 10 South, the Dunbar Free Library at 401 Route 10 South and the Grantham Post Office at 10 Willis Avenue.



G. Warren Kimball, Chairman



Constance A. Jones



Andy Gelston



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2018
MS-636

Proposed Budget

Grantham

For the period beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

Form Due Date: **20 Days after the Annual Meeting**

This form was posted with the warrant on: 2/19/2018

GOVERNING BODY 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.

Name	Position	Signature
Warren Swall	SELECTMAN	Warren Swall
Constance A Jones	SELECTMAN	Constance A Jones
Andy BELSTON	SELECTMAN	Andy Belston

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NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuig FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuig FY (Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	02	\$209,088	\$191,589	\$249,150	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	02	\$122,509	\$107,314	\$132,709	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	02	\$40,200	\$38,850	\$41,200	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	02	\$43,000	\$14,213	\$41,000	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	02	\$30,000	\$30,761	\$35,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	02,05	\$602,355	\$517,031	\$784,192	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	02	\$10,300	\$4,467	\$6,650	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	02	\$117,635	\$95,199	\$126,200	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	02	\$19,200	\$11,204	\$19,800	\$0
4196	Insurance	02	\$34,063	\$34,063	\$38,050	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	02	\$3,974	\$3,973	\$4,057	\$0
4199	Other General Government	02	\$1,000	\$320	\$1,000	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$1,233,324	\$1,048,984	\$1,479,008	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	03,05	\$419,586	\$408,914	\$535,910	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	03	\$80,450	\$75,244	\$98,630	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	03	\$127,206	\$94,237	\$131,784	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	03	\$8,500	\$3,788	\$10,000	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	03	\$12,000	\$6,109	\$9,500	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$647,742	\$588,292	\$785,824	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration	08	\$228,430	\$195,258	\$242,595	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	08	\$158,200	\$151,750	\$175,700	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	08	\$5,000	\$3,867	\$3,000	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$391,630	\$350,875	\$421,295	\$0



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Sanitation						
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	08	\$137,600	\$114,442	\$151,515	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	08	\$207,000	\$146,569	\$200,000	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	08	\$8,000	\$5,898	\$6,500	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$352,600	\$266,909	\$358,015	\$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
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration	10	\$1,700	\$57	\$1,700	\$0
4414	Pest Control	10	\$700	\$500	\$700	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	10	\$16,900	\$16,900	\$18,500	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$19,300	\$17,457	\$20,900	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	10	\$25,000	\$4,645	\$25,000	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$25,000	\$4,645	\$25,000	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	11	\$47,450	\$40,932	\$49,200	\$0
4550-4559	Library	11	\$197,980	\$197,712	\$232,600	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	11	\$34,850	\$29,544	\$33,510	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	11	\$1,500	\$96	\$1,500	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$281,780	\$268,284	\$316,810	\$0



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuig FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuig FY (Not Recommended)
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	12	\$4,400	\$3,606	\$2,500	\$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
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$4,400	\$3,606	\$2,500	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	12	\$189,617	\$189,617	\$110,000	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	12	\$40,755	\$39,705	\$29,228	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	12	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$230,472	\$229,322	\$139,328	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	12	\$169,345	\$398,360	\$72,892	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$169,345	\$398,360	\$72,892	\$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
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations			\$3,355,593	\$3,176,734	\$3,621,572	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	06	\$0	\$0	\$145,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Public Safety Communication Upgrade</i>						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	13	\$0	\$0	\$31,603	\$0
<i>Purpose: 2014 Highway Plow Truck Lease - Final Payment</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	15	\$0	\$0	\$174,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds</i>						
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	15	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds</i>						
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$0	\$0	\$355,603	\$0



Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	09	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day</i>						
4901	Land	14	\$0	\$0	\$65,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Land purchase</i>						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	07	\$0	\$0	\$19,100	\$0
<i>Purpose: Purchase of thermal imaging camera's and AED's</i>						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	04	\$0	\$0	\$22,765	\$0
<i>Purpose: Police Cruiser Lease/Purchase</i>						
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$0	\$0	\$116,865	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	02	\$750	\$8,274	\$500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	02	\$30,000	\$39,766	\$25,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal			\$30,750	\$48,040	\$25,500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	02	\$200	\$675	\$200
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	02	\$650,000	\$764,899	\$675,000
3230	Building Permits	02	\$6,000	\$11,680	\$8,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	02	\$17,000	\$20,291	\$17,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$673,200	\$797,545	\$700,200
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	02	\$154,973	\$154,973	\$154,973
3353	Highway Block Grant	02	\$66,510	\$66,509	\$66,412
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	\$150	\$0
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$23,453	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$221,483	\$245,085	\$221,385
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	02	\$35,000	\$47,223	\$40,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$35,000	\$47,223	\$40,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	02	\$30,000	\$0	\$1,000
3502	Interest on Investments	02	\$50,000	\$58,998	\$40,000
3503-3509	Other	02	\$10,000	\$15,443	\$1,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$90,000	\$74,441	\$42,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
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	13	\$80,000	\$95,260	\$31,603
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$80,000	\$95,260	\$31,603
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	14, 06, 15	\$0	\$0	\$389,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$389,000
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$1,130,433	\$1,307,594	\$1,449,688



Budget Summary

Item	Prior Year	Ensuing FY (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$3,387,874	\$3,621,572
Special Warrant Articles	\$313,817	\$355,603
Individual Warrant Articles	\$137,743	\$116,865
Total Appropriations	\$3,839,434	\$4,094,040
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,419,402	\$1,449,688
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$2,420,032	\$2,644,352

Town of Grantham



Financial Reports



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

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, 2017, 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 from 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 entity'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 entity'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 audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Grantham, as of June 30, 2017, 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

Required Supplementary Information – Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of Funding Progress for Other Postemployment Benefit Plan, the Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of Town Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers them to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the

Town of Grantham
Independent Auditor's Report

information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other 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 schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund 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 schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

February 5, 2018

Plodyk & Sanderson
Professional Association

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2017

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,099,255	\$ 195,940	\$ 7,295,195
Taxes receivable	1,714,998	-	1,714,998
Intergovernmental receivable	233	-	233
Interfund receivable	520	-	520
Prepaid items	11,220	-	11,220
Tax deeded property, subject to resale	32,142	-	32,142
Total assets	<u>\$ 8,858,368</u>	<u>\$ 195,940</u>	<u>\$ 9,054,308</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 86,915	\$ -	\$ 86,915
Intergovernmental payables	3,834,558	-	3,834,558
Interfund payable	-	520	520
Total liabilities	<u>3,921,473</u>	<u>520</u>	<u>3,921,993</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenue - Property taxes	<u>1,187,366</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,187,366</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	43,362	44,496	87,858
Restricted	58,206	16,294	74,500
Committed	1,164,618	134,630	1,299,248
Assigned	34,020	-	34,020
Unassigned	2,449,323	-	2,449,323
Total fund balances	<u>3,749,529</u>	<u>195,420</u>	<u>3,944,949</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 8,858,368</u>	<u>\$ 195,940</u>	<u>\$ 9,054,308</u>

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, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 2,123,910	\$ 2,123,910	\$ 2,196,378	\$ 72,468
Licenses and permits	673,200	673,200	797,545	124,345
Intergovernmental	221,483	221,483	245,085	23,602
Charges for services	35,000	35,000	47,223	12,223
Miscellaneous	90,000	90,000	74,441	(15,559)
Total revenues	<u>3,143,593</u>	<u>3,143,593</u>	<u>3,360,672</u>	<u>217,079</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	1,233,324	1,236,824	1,052,084	184,740
Public safety	647,742	644,242	559,568	84,674
Highways and streets	391,630	391,630	345,020	46,610
Sanitation	352,600	352,600	266,909	85,691
Health	19,300	19,300	17,457	1,843
Welfare	25,000	25,000	4,645	20,355
Culture and recreation	228,890	228,890	215,394	13,496
Conservation	4,400	4,400	3,606	794
Debt service:				
Principal	189,617	189,617	182,072	7,545
Interest	40,855	40,855	47,250	(6,395)
Capital outlay	169,345	169,345	(1,640)	170,985
Total expenditures	<u>3,302,703</u>	<u>3,302,703</u>	<u>2,692,365</u>	<u>610,338</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(159,110)</u>	<u>(159,110)</u>	<u>668,307</u>	<u>827,417</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	80,000	80,000	95,260	15,260
Transfers out	(170,890)	(170,890)	(170,890)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(90,890)</u>	<u>(90,890)</u>	<u>(75,630)</u>	<u>15,260</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>\$ (250,000)</u>	<u>\$ (250,000)</u>	592,677	<u>\$ 842,677</u>
Increase in nonspendable fund balance			(11,937)	
Increase in committed fund balance (non-encumbrances)			(405,000)	
Increase in assigned fund balance (non-encumbrances)			(30,000)	
Unassigned fund balance, beginning			2,271,998	
Unassigned fund balance, ending			<u>\$ 2,417,738</u>	



2017
\$23.72

Tax Rate Breakdown Grantham

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$2,172,861	\$465,846,013	\$4.66
County	\$1,414,722	\$465,846,013	\$3.04
Local Education	\$6,375,166	\$465,846,013	\$13.69
State Education	\$1,075,244	\$460,749,713	\$2.33
Total	\$11,037,993		\$23.72

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Eastman Village	\$498,509	\$309,633,178	\$1.61
Total	\$498,509		\$1.61

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$11,037,993
War Service Credits	(\$74,700)
Village District Tax Effort	\$498,509
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$11,461,802

Stephan Hamilton
 Director of Municipal and Property Division
 New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

11/9/2017

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$3,839,434	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$1,042,449)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$405,000)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$325,000)
War Service Credits	\$74,700	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$31,176	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$2,172,861	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$1,414,722	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$1,414,722	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$7,970,811	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$520,401)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$1,075,244)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$6,375,166	
State Education Tax	\$1,075,244	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$1,075,244	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$465,846,013	\$465,657,232
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$460,749,713	\$460,560,932

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Eastman Village	\$309,633,178

Grantham

Tax Commitment Verification

2017 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$11,461,802
1/2% Amount	\$57,309
Acceptable High	\$11,519,111
Acceptable Low	\$11,404,493

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

Commitment Amount	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
Net amount after TIF adjustment	

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2017 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:

Date:

Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Grantham	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2017 Tax Rate	\$23.72	\$11.86
Associated Villages		
Eastman Village	\$1.61	\$0.81

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$0
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$12,704,566
Final Overlay	\$31,176

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality's unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality's stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that "...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures." [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.

[2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2009), *Best Practice: Determining the Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund*.

[3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance*.

2017 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Grantham	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (16.56%)	\$2,103,957
17% Retained (<i>Maximum Recommended</i>)	\$2,159,776
10% Retained	\$1,270,457
8% Retained	\$1,016,365
5% Retained (<i>Minimum Recommended</i>)	\$635,228

2017 RSA 198:4-b II School Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Grantham

If a school district has adopted RSA 198:4-b II by a vote of the legislative body, the school district may retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 2.5 percent of the current fiscal year's net assessment pursuant to RSA 198:5, for the purpose of having funds on hand to use as a revenue source for emergency expenditures and overexpenditures under RSA 32:11, or to be used as a revenue source to reduce the tax rate. This retained fund balance is not cumulative. The maximum allowed fund balance retention has been calculated as:

	Net Assessment	2.5% of Net Assessment
Local School	\$7,450,410	\$186,260



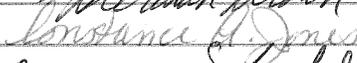
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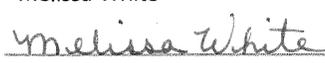
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Assessor
Ken Rodgers (KRT Appraisal, LLC)

Municipal Officials		
Name	Position	Signature
Sheridan Brown	Selectman, Chair	
Constance Jones	Selectman	
G. Warren Kimball	Selectman	

Preparer		
Name	Phone	Email
Melissa White	863-6021	mwhite@granthamnh.net
		
Preparer's Signature		



Land Value Only	Acres	Valuation	
1A Current Use RSA 79-A	10,386.00	\$468,813	
1B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	0.00	\$0	
1C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C			
1D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
1E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
1F Residential Land	4,217.00	\$101,743,700	
1G Commercial/Industrial Land	347.00	\$5,074,700	
1H Total of Taxable Land	14,950.00	\$107,287,213	
1I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	1,566.00	\$6,641,200	
Buildings Value Only	Structures	Valuation	
2A Residential		\$342,795,500	
2B Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31		\$790,800	
2C Commercial/Industrial		\$11,233,600	
2D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
2E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
2F Total of Taxable Buildings		\$354,819,900	
2G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		\$12,291,400	
Utilities & Timber		Valuation	
3A Utilities		\$5,096,300	
3B Other Utilities		\$0	
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5			
5 Valuation before Exemption		\$467,203,413	
Exemptions	Total Granted	Valuation	
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a		\$265,700	
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			
10 Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a			
10 Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a			
11 Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$466,937,713	
Optional Exemptions	Amount Per	Total Granted	Valuation
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37			
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b		16	\$1,020,400
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		3	\$71,300
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66			
19 Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV			
20 Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$1,091,700
21 Net Valuation			\$465,846,013
22 Less Utilities			\$5,096,300
23 Net Valuation without Utilities			\$460,749,713



Utility Value Appraiser

Michael Ryan established value in 2016 and it hasn

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Valuation
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$5,096,300
	\$5,096,300



Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	\$500	135	\$67,500
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a			
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	\$700	6	\$4,200
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	\$500	6	\$3,000
		147	\$74,700

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report

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Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? RSA 79-E

Adopted? No Number of Structures:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? RSA 79-H

Adopted? No Number of Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? RSA 79-G

Adopted? No Number of Properties:



Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	158.00	\$31,102
Forest Land	5,345.00	\$279,181
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	3,606.00	\$133,994
Unproductive Land	1,034.00	\$20,339
Wet Land	243.00	\$4,197
	10,386.00	\$468,813

Other Current Use Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	4,749.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	Acres:	0.00
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	Owners:	86
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	Parcels:	201

Land Use Change Tax

Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year		\$0
Conservation Allocation	Percentage: 100.00 %	Dollar Amount:
Monies to Conservation Fund		
Monies to General Fund		

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B

	Acres	Valuation
Farm Land		
Forest Land		
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship		
Unproductive Land		
Wet Land		

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	Acres:	
Owners in Conservation Restriction	Owners:	
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	Parcels:	



Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	Acres	Owners	Assessed Valuation
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Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F

Number Granted	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
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Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D

Owners	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
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Map	Lot	Block	%	Description
<i>This municipality has no Discretionary Preservation Easements.</i>				

Tax Increment Financing District	Date	Original	Unretained	Retained	Current
<i>This municipality has no TIF districts.</i>					

Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Tax	Revenue	Acres
<i>State and Federal Forest Land, Recreational and/or land from MS-434, account 3356 and 3357</i>		
<i>White Mountain National Forest only, account 3186</i>		

Payments in Lieu of Tax from Renewable Generation Facilities (RSA 72:74)	Amount
<i>This municipality has not adopted RSA 72:74 or has no applicable PILT sources.</i>	

Other Sources of Payments in Lieu of Taxes (MS-434 Account 3186)	Amount
<i>This municipality has no additional sources of PILTs.</i>	



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Name	Phone	Email
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Preparer's Signature



Land Value Only	Acres	Valuation	
1A Current Use RSA 79-A	38.00	\$778	
1B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B			
1C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C			
1D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
1E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
1F Residential Land	1,451.00	\$64,675,100	
1G Commercial/Industrial Land	127.00	\$792,100	
1H Total of Taxable Land	1,616.00	\$65,467,978	
1I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	500.00	\$2,483,700	
Buildings Value Only	Structures	Valuation	
2A Residential		\$242,275,600	
2B Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31			
2C Commercial/Industrial		\$2,434,600	
2D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
2E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
2F Total of Taxable Buildings		\$244,710,200	
2G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		\$4,349,000	
Utilities & Timber		Valuation	
3A Utilities			
3B Other Utilities			
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5			
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11 Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$309,912,478	
Optional Exemptions	Amount Per	Total Granted	Valuation
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37			
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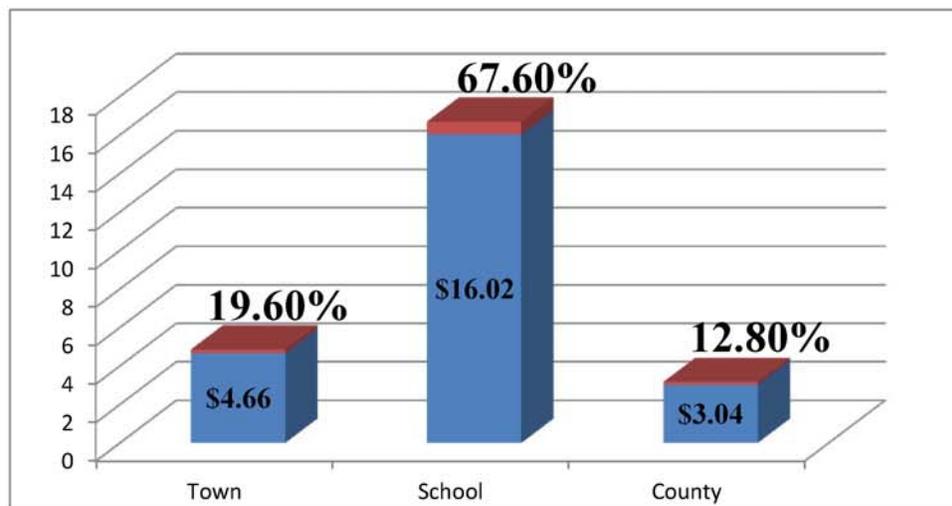
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Five-Year Property Tax Rate Review

Tax Year	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Net Town Appropriation	2,054,135	2,134,774	2,241,455	2,202,816	2,172,861
Municipal Rate	3.99	4.13	4.86	4.73	4.66
Net School Appropriation	6,296,416	6,740,026	6,455,289	6,462,728	6,375,166
Local School Rate	12.22	13.03	13.98	13.88	13.69
State Education Taxes	1,232,228	1,158,531	1,136,603	1,060,878	1,075,244
Education Grant	12,717	13,734	14,833	546,714	520,401
State Education Rate	2.42	2.26	2.49	2.30	2.33
Combined School Rates	14.64	15.29	16.47	16.18	16.02
Net County Appropriation	1,449,314	1,471,602	1,287,547	1,363,125	1,414,722
County Rate	2.81	2.85	2.79	2.93	3.04
Village District Commitment	510,889	462,691	466,977	476,499	498,509
Village District Rate	1.48	1.34	1.52	1.54	1.61
Total Tax Rate - Grantham	21.44	22.27	24.12	23.84	23.72
Total Tax Rate - Eastman	22.92	23.61	25.64	25.38	25.33
Property Tax Commitment	11,463,882	11,888,024	11,512,771	11,492,146	11,461,802
Net Assessed Valuation	515,125,870	517,147,509	461,591,370	465,657,232	465,846,013

Full Property
Revaluation

2017 Tax Rate Breakdown



In the chart above, the dollar amount is per \$1,000 of the assessed property value. The percentage reflects the percent of the 2017 tax rate.

**SCHEDULE OF
TOWN OWNED PROPERTY**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Purpose/Use</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Route 10 North	226-026	Brookside Park	20.47	55,000
Route 10 North	221-002	Brookside Park	0.74	33,500
Burpee Hill Road	221-058	Cemetery (Brown)	0.24	29,300
Dunbar Hill Road	237-061	Cemetery (Dunbar)	0.31	32,800
Burpee Hill Road	216-041	Cemetery (Hastings)	0.10	12,900
Stoney Brook Road	236-021	Cemetery (Hilldale)	1.80	46,700
Learning Drive	233-075-003	Cemetery (Memorial)	8.07	99,400
Route 114	234-142	Conservation Land/Wetlands	6.80	28,800
Stoney Brook Road	243-009	Conservation Land/Wetlands/Aquifer	3.50	25,500
401 Route 10 South	237-005	Dunbar Free Library	0.88	1,004,600
251 Route 10 South	233-075-001	Fire Department	2.77	743,000
Route 114	236-004	Historical; Old Roney Mill Site	4.90	40,900
Route 10 South	237-032	Parking Lot	0.15	12,100
400 Route 10 South	237-033	Parking Lot	0.15	40,600
19 Shedd Road	241-006-001	Recreation Park	23.97	264,800
12 Tall Timber Drive	211-069	School Bus Turnaround	0.86	23,200
Croydon Turnpike	209-001	Town Forest	72.00	74,200
Croydon Turnpike	218-002	Town Forest	37.00	53,600
Miller Pond Road	210-003	Town Forest - Kimball Land	49.00	84,000
Croydon Turnpike	210-005	Town Forest - Kimball Land	16.00	37,700
1208 Miller Pond Road	210-010	Town Forest - Kimball Land	55.00	65,500
Miller Pond Road	211-012	Town Forest - Lucius Smith Lot	29.00	70,800
Croydon Turnpike	210-006	Town Forest - Minister Lot	59.00	67,400
Croydon Turnpike	210-009	Town Forest - Minister Lot	20.00	41,500
Croydon Turnpike	210-008	Town Forest - Vette Davis Land	80.00	78,300
Off Meriden Road	210-004	Town Forest - Wallis Land	0.63	700
Croydon Turnpike	210-007	Town Forest - Wallis Land	31.00	49,800
300 Route 10 South	233-004	Town Offices & Police Department	9.20	1,034,200
1150 Route 114	235-030-003	Transfer Station & Recycling Center	31.78	197,600
1081 Route 114	235-016	Transfer Station (Closed Landfill Site)	6.64	101,600
Smith Hastings Road	207-004	Vacant Tax Deed	2.70	38,700
Route 10 North	207-005	Vacant Tax Deed	2.10	37,600
48 High Pond Road	212-090	Vacant Tax Deed	0.80	12,600
82 Anderson Pond Road	213-032	Vacant Tax Deed	0.98	5,100
38 Anderson Pond Road	213-053	Vacant Tax Deed	0.83	12,600
400 Road 'Round the Lake	213-119	Vacant Tax Deed	0.85	12,500
18 Catamount Road	214-030	Vacant Tax Deed	1.60	52,200
3 Sugar Hill Road	215-137	Vacant Tax Deed	1.29	26,400
16 Bobbin Hill	216-089	Vacant Tax Deed	0.71	7,100
Rawson Ridge	221-010	Vacant Tax Deed	9.41	87,300
16 Deer Run	223-006	Vacant Tax Deed	1.97	8,200
17 Brookridge Drive	224-001	Vacant Tax Deed	1.14	7,900
17 Hummingbird Hill	225-044	Vacant Tax Deed	0.98	12,800
46 Troon Drive	225-101	Vacant Tax Deed	0.68	4,700
35 Walton Heath Drive	225-215	Vacant Tax Deed	0.69	97,900
41 Fairway Drive	225-273	Vacant Tax Deed	1.06	103,000
36 Gray Ledges	232-001	Vacant Tax Deed	90.00	334,800
34 Greensward Drive	234-099	Vacant Tax Deed	0.91	10,400
66 Longwood Drive	234-120	Vacant Tax Deed	0.61	10,900
Airpark Drive	235-021	Vacant Tax Deed	6.66	97,400

TOWN OF GRANTHAM
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 6/30/2017

BEGINNING OF YEAR BALANCE:

A.	LSB Municipal Treasury NOW Acct. - General Fund	\$5,309,713.09
B.	Other	\$0.00
C.	Other	\$0.00
D.	Other	

BEGINNING OF YEAR TOTAL \$5,309,713.09

YEARS RECEIPTS:

E.	From Tax Collector	\$13,038,497.30
F.	From Town Clerk	\$795,137.26
G.	From Town Office, State Grants, Transfers	\$385,285.10
H.	Trans. from Grantham Cap. Res. Funds	\$80,000.00
Interest Earned: Average Interest Rate:		
I1.	LSB Muni. Trea. NOW Account	\$58,997.78 0.83%
I2.	Other	\$0.00 0.00%
I3.	Other	
I.	Total Interest Earned:	\$58,997.78
TOTAL YEARS RECEIPTS		\$14,357,917.44

ADJUSTMENTS TO RECEIPTS:

J.	Bank Fees and Misc Debits	(\$10.10)
K.	Misc. Tax Deposits, Transfers and Credits	\$18.70
L.	Bad Check Deposits Returned by Bank	(\$9,952.57)
M.	Bad Checks Redeposited	\$425.10
N.		
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS		<u><u>(\$9,518.87)</u></u>
TOTAL YEARS NET RECEIPTS		\$14,348,398.57

YEARS DISBURSEMENTS PER SELECT BOARD ORDERS:

O.	Accounts Payable	\$11,565,760.93
P.	Payroll and Benefits	\$895,427.75
Q.	Federal Tax 941 Electronic Transfer	\$205,813.53
R.	less: Void Checks (stop payment)	(\$2,280.33)
S.	Net GF Transfers To/(From) Non-Budget Accts. (see below)	\$1,936.50
TOTAL YEARS DISBURSEMENTS		<u><u>\$12,666,658.38</u></u>

YEARS NET RECEIPTS OR (DISBURSEMENTS) **\$1,681,740.19**

END OF YEAR BALANCE \$6,991,453.28

YEAR END ACCOUNTS BALANCE RECONCILIATION

T.	LSB Municipal Treasury NOW Acct. - General Fund	\$6,991,453.28
U.	Other	\$0.00
V.	Other	
W.		

YEAR END ACCOUNTS TOTAL \$6,991,453.28

NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS:

	Balance 7/1/16	Balance 6/30/17
Conservation Fund - LSB Savings xxxxx6332	\$41,038.90	\$35,421.45
Sherwood Forest - LSB Savings xxxxx6357	\$4,687.66	\$4,743.59
Ronald Hastings - LSB Savings xxxxx6990	\$709.98	\$710.34
Reclamation Fund - LSB Savings xxxxx6316	\$52,530.23	\$61,227.45
Town Forest Mtce. - LSB Savings xxxxx6340	\$13,956.85	\$14,123.39

TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NH

MS-9 REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Page 1 of 5	Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	***PRINCIPAL***		Balance Beginning 07/01/16	Balance End of Year 06/30/17	%	INCOME		Balance End of Year 06/30/17	GRAND TOTAL Principal & Income 06/30/17
						New Funds	Withdrawals				Income During Year	Expended During Year		
		Please Note: COMMON FUND #1 is made up of the following accounts:												
		1900-2001. CEMETERY FUNDS												
			Cemeteries	LSB SAV		7,596.91	0.00	10,307.69	7,596.91		213.65	0.00	10,521.46	18,118.37
Yr. 1900		Hannah Hayward	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		400.00	0.00	266.73	400.00	11.3271%	7.94	0.00	273.67	673.67
Yr. 1900		William Howe	Hilldale	LSB SAV		50.00	0.00	4.28	50.00	0.4619%	0.65	0.00	4.92	54.92
Yr. 1911/46		L.F. Shaw	Hilldale	LSB SAV		150.00	0.00	218.32	150.00	3.0665%	4.40	0.00	223.22	373.22
Yr. 1913		Jonathan Brown	Hilldale	LSB SAV		150.00	0.00	382.05	150.00	4.4237%	6.36	0.00	388.40	538.40
Yr. 1913		H. Stevens	Hilldale	LSB SAV		50.00	0.00	4.28	50.00	0.4513%	0.65	0.00	4.92	54.92
Yr. 1920		Mercy Sanborn George	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	8.55	100.00	0.9025%	1.30	0.00	9.85	109.85
Yr. 1929		Reverdy Smith	Hilldale	LSB SAV		50.00	0.00	52.28	50.00	0.8504%	1.22	0.00	53.50	103.50
8/25/1935		Irene W. Hemphill	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	8.55	100.00	0.9025%	1.30	0.00	9.85	109.85
3/21/1941		L.A. Roach - H.J. Wiggins	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	289.92	100.00	3.2420%	4.65	0.00	294.58	394.58
11/3/1944		Alice M. Wilcox	Hilldale	LSB SAV		75.00	0.00	25.63	75.00	0.8369%	1.20	0.00	26.83	301.83
8/8/1952		Emma Eta Sanborn	Hilldale	LSB SAV		400.00	0.00	630.99	400.00	8.5721%	12.30	0.00	643.30	1,043.30
Yr. 1948		Edith M. Miller	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	8.56	100.00	0.9025%	1.30	0.00	9.86	109.86
Yr. 1958		Frank E. Hastings	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	143.69	100.00	2.0262%	2.81	0.00	146.60	246.60
8/19/1958		Alberta & George Hastings	Hilldale	LSB SAV		121.84	0.00	247.53	121.84	3.0711%	4.41	0.00	251.94	373.78
4/14/1960		Zena & Bernice S. Pillsbury	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	289.91	100.00	3.2419%	4.65	0.00	294.57	394.57
3/11/1963		Harriet B. Stocker	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	54.31	100.00	1.2639%	1.84	0.00	56.15	156.15
7/30/1964		East Grantham Cemetery	Hilldale	LSB SAV		50.07	0.00	4.27	50.07	0.4519%	0.65	0.00	4.92	54.99
10/28/1968		Howard & Dorothy Ashley	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	8.56	100.00	0.9025%	1.30	0.00	9.86	109.86
6/4/1973		Hollis French	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	167.67	100.00	4.5644%	3.19	0.00	170.87	270.87
2/12/1974		William H. Howard	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		150.00	0.00	207.45	150.00	6.0619%	4.27	0.00	211.72	361.72
11/12/1975		Richard Howard	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		200.00	0.00	590.85	200.00	13.4561%	9.44	0.00	600.29	800.29
6/7/1980		Daniel & Caffrey Arsenault	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		200.00	0.00	643.96	200.00	14.3589%	10.07	0.00	654.04	854.04
3/9/1981		William & Henry Howard	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		1,500.00	0.00	701.68	1,500.00	37.4617%	26.27	0.00	1,526.27	2,227.97
10/8/1969		Florence/Oph Pillsbury	Hilldale	LSB SAV		600.00	0.00	2,505.49	600.00	25.8285%	37.07	0.00	2,543.58	3,143.58
12/23/1963		J. Madison & Alice M. Howe	Hilldale	LSB SAV		900.00	0.00	2,346.95	900.00	26.9865%	38.74	0.00	2,385.72	3,285.72
4/1/1982		Fl. & Hor. Kimball & F. Philbrick	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	8.56	100.00	1.8472%	1.30	0.00	9.86	109.86
4/19/1983		Mildred Dunbar (G.W. lot)	Hilldale	LSB SAV		100.00	0.00	8.55	100.00	0.9025%	1.30	0.00	9.85	109.85
12/5/1990		Kathleen Preston	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		150.00	0.00	39.47	150.00	3.2239%	2.28	0.00	41.73	191.73
10/11/1995		Helen & Myron Cummings	Hilldale	LSB SAV		600.00	0.00	333.51	600.00	7.7615%	11.14	0.00	344.66	944.66
12/12/1996		Lillian F. Howard	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		200.00	0.00	61.93	200.00	4.4665%	3.13	0.00	65.05	265.05
11/20/2001		Ruth Payrotta	Dunbar Hill	LSB SAV		175.00	0.00	14.95	175.00	3.2327%	2.27	0.00	177.22	192.22
11/20/2001		Jackson & Marthide English	Hilldale	LSB SAV		225.00	0.00	19.20	225.00	2.0304%	2.81	0.00	22.12	247.12
		TOTAL PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS				7,596.91	0.00	10,307.69	7,596.91	100.00%	213.65	0.00	10,521.46	18,118.37
											[1]			

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	Balance Beginning 07/01/16	***PRINCIPAL***			Balance End of Year 06/30/17	%	INCOME	Balance End of Year 06/30/17	Principal & Income 06/30/17
						New Funds	Withdrawals						
	GRANTHAM MEMORIAL CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND	LSB SAV	LSB SAV		28,600.00	1,000.00		29,600.00		376.26	2,711.26	32,311.26	
	\$200.00 (depending on lot location) of each Family Plot sold is added to Maintenance Fund												
	GRANTHAM MEMORIAL CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT FUND	LSB SAV	LSB SAV		7,100.00	200.00		7,300.00		121.40	3,060.30	10,360.30	
	\$50.00 of each Family Plot Sold is added to Development Fund												
	TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS				43,296.91	1,200.00	0.00	44,496.91		711.31	16,293.03	60,789.93	
	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		213.65	10,521.46	18,118.37	
	Cemetery Maintenance Statement Savings #210497657		LSB SAV		28,600.00	1,000.00		29,600.00		376.26	2,711.26	32,311.26	
	Cemetery Development Statement Savings #210724225		LSB SAV		7,100.00	200.00		7,300.00		121.40	3,060.30	10,360.30	
	TOTAL CEMETERY FUND ACCOUNTS		LSB SAV		43,296.91	1,200.00	0.00	44,496.91		711.31	16,293.03	60,789.93	
1900-2007	CEMETERY FUNDS		LSB SAV		43,296.91	1,200.00	0.00	44,496.91		711.31	16,293.03	60,789.93	
	[1] Note: Initial spreading of income resulted in an 11.5 cent rounding error. This error was spread over all accounts using each account's percentage bringing the total back to actual total on ledger sheet.												

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 ***		Balance Beginning 07/01/15	New Funds	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year 06/30/16	Balance Beginning 07/01/15	%	INCOME		Grand Total
					Balance Beginning 07/01/15	New Funds							Income During Year	Expended During Year	
Town of Grantham:															
OTHER TRUST FUNDS:															
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	Dunbar Free Library	LSB SAV			300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	10.16	3.70	0.00	0.00	13.86	313.86
8/12/2015	Brookside Byrne Grant Fund - CLOSED	Brookside Park Imp.	LSB SAV			15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	0.00	180.55	79.49	260.04	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Sub-Total Town of Grantham					15,300.00	0.00	15,000.00	300.00	190.71	83.19	260.04	0.00	13.86	313.86
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS															
9/10/2008	Dunbar Free Library	Library Addition	LSB SAV			15,377.25	0.00	0.00	15,377.25	0.00	183.49	0.00	0.00	133.49	15,560.74
5/10/1990	Fire Department Apparatus	Fire Trucks, etc.	LSB SAV			117,100.00	20,000.00	0.00	137,100.00	6,844.10	1,714.18	0.00	0.00	8,558.28	145,658.28
7/17/1993	Town Office Equipment	Office Equipment	LSB SAV			9,451.12	1,000.00	0.00	10,451.12	2,065.95	2,215.13	0.00	0.00	2,215.13	12,666.25
11/15/1995	Mowers	New Mowers	LSB SAV			16,900.32	0.00	0.00	16,900.32	476.89	207.36	0.00	0.00	634.25	17,534.57
2/15/2000	Highway Equipment Fund	Highway Equipment	LSB SAV			96,774.71	50,000.00	78,535.44	68,239.27	762.10	702.46	1,464.56	0.00	0.00	68,239.27
7/17/2003	Transfer Station Equipment	T.S. Equipment	LSB SAV	[4]		28,726.51	10,000.00	0.00	38,726.51	562.32	467.09	0.00	0.00	1,029.41	39,755.92
2/22/2005	Athletic Fields CRF	Police Vehicles	LSB SAV			11,850.08	10,000.00	0.00	21,850.08	120.96	260.45	0.00	0.00	31.41	22,231.49
11/28/2009	Land Preservation	Athletic Fields	LSB SAV			455.90	0.00	0.00	455.90	83.55	6.44	0.00	0.00	89.99	545.89
12/8/2009	Municipality Revaluation	Conservation Land	LSB SAV			69,548.93	0.00	0.00	69,548.93	909.13	840.75	0.00	0.00	1,749.88	71,298.81
12/9/2009	Town Bldg Repair and Maintenance	Revaluation	LSB SAV			11,553.02	10,000.00	0.00	21,553.02	1,457.99	1,466.11	0.00	0.00	2,924.10	124,477.12
4/28/2010	Recreation Park Project Fund	Repair & Maintain Park & Playground	LSB SAV			45,936.73	5,000.00	0.00	50,936.73	0.00	606.95	0.00	0.00	606.95	51,543.68
8/29/2010	Bridge Capital Reserve Fund	Bridge Design, etc.	LSB SAV			147,466.48	0.00	0.00	147,466.48	10.01	3.73	0.00	0.00	13.74	147,480.22
8/18/2013	Town Library Repair CRF	Library Repair	LSB SAV			14,248.38	5,000.00	0.00	19,248.38	3,807.31	1,805.10	0.00	0.00	5,612.41	153,078.89
7/25/2014	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Equipment CRF	Office Equipment	LSB SAV			5,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	7,000.00	79.64	228.82	0.00	0.00	103.77	7,163.77
	Sub-Total Town of Grantham					690,694.92	113,000.00	78,535.44	725,156.48	17,179.95	8,726.24	1,464.56	0.00	24,441.63	749,598.11
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS															
12/15/1995	Town Emergency Repair	Town Emer. Repairs	LSB SAV			6,231.68	0.00	0.00	6,231.68	7,159.91	159.80	0.00	0.00	7,319.71	13,551.39
7/6/2016	Public Safety Expendable Trust Fund	Comm. Equip. Repair	LSB SAV			0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	57.88	0.00	0.00	57.88	5,057.88
	Sub-Total Town of Grantham					6,231.68	5,000.00	0.00	11,231.68	7,159.91	217.68	0.00	0.00	7,377.59	18,609.27
	TOTAL - TOWN OF GRANTHAM:					755,520.51	119,200.00	93,535.44	781,185.07	40,112.16	9,738.42	1,724.60	0.00	46,136.11	768,521.24
SAU 75:															
OTHER TRUST FUNDS:															
1891	Grantham School Fund Sale of Leased Land - CLOSED	Grantham Village School	LSB SAV			623.00	0.00	623.00	0.00	20.75	7.13	27.88	0.00	0.00	0.00
6/18/1985	Glenn Hudson Memorial Fund [2]	Scholarship Fund	LSB SAV			1,708.95	200.00	479.84	1,429.11	0.00	20.16	20.16	0.00	0.00	1,429.11
1/30/1997	Jackson P. & Mathilde M. English Educational Fund [2]	Educ. Excellence	LSB SAV			9,073.27	0.00	518.93	8,554.34	0.00	81.07	81.07	0.00	0.00	8,554.34
12/11/2013	Hunt Scholarship Fund	Scholarship Fund	LSB SAV			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	2.53	1.22	0.00	0.00	3.75	103.75
	Sub-Total SAU 75:					11,505.22	200.00	1,621.77	10,083.45	23.28	109.58	129.11	0.00	3.75	10,087.20

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Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	How Invested	%	***PRINCIPAL***		Balance Beginning 07/01/15	Balance End of Year 06/30/16	%	INCOME	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year 06/30/16	GRAND TOTAL
					Balance Beginning 07/01/15	New Funds							
SAU 75: [Continued]													
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
10/8/2004	Grantham School Construction Fund	School Building#552	LSB SAV				2,270.48	72,602.64	0.00	893.43	0.00	3,163.91	75,766.55
Sub-Total SAU 75							2,270.48	72,602.64	0.00	893.43	0.00	3,163.91	75,766.55
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS													
1/21/1997	Grantham School Expendable Trust	School Repairs	LSB SAV				13,456.57	44,205.78	0.00	688.06	0.00	14,144.63	58,350.41
1/31/2000	Grantham Village School Special Education	Special Education	LSB SAV				14,968.33	270,783.64	0.00	3,409.77	0.00	18,378.10	289,161.74
10/9/2003	GVS School Tuition	Secondary School Tuition	LSB SAV				11,391.64	85,955.00	0.00	1,154.44	0.00	12,546.08	97,901.08
7/1/2014	Legal Services ETF	Extraordinary Legal Expenses	LSB SAV				1,013.24	50,000.00	0.00	608.73	0.00	1,621.97	51,621.97
Sub-Total SAU 75							40,829.78	450,344.42	0.00	5,861.00	0.00	45,690.78	497,035.20
TOTAL - SAU75:							43,123.54	533,030.51		6,864.01	129.11	49,858.44	582,888.95
Village District of Eastman:													
OTHER TRUST FUNDS:													
7/28/2014	Wastewater Collection Operation & Maintenance ^(B)	Associated Capital Expenses	LSB SAV				0.00	21,222.93		310.55	310.55	0.00	21,222.93
7/28/2014	Wastewater Treatment Facility Operation & Maintenance ^(B)	Associated Capital Expenses	LSB SAV				506.20	38,725.18		468.13	0.00	974.33	39,699.51
7/28/2014	Wastewater Treatment Disposal Operation & Maintenance ^(B)	Associated Capital Expenses	LSB SAV				0.00	102,999.59		1,234.37	1,234.37	0.00	102,999.59
5/27/2016	General Waste Water System Repair and Upgrades ^(B)	Associated Capital Expenses	LSB SAV				59.94	260,784.79		1,827.75	0.00	1,887.69	262,672.48
Sub-Total Town of Village District of Eastman							40,829.78	423,732.49		3,840.80	1,514.92	2,862.02	426,594.51
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
10/31/2002	Village District Security Improvement	Improvement Update	LSB SAV				0.00	2,783.87		33.21	0.00	33.21	2,817.08
4/27/2005	Village District Inventory Hardware - CLOSED	Hardware	LSB SAV				0.00	0.00		16.02	16.02	0.00	0.00
4/27/2005	Village District Filter Media	Filter Media	LSB SAV				856.80	43,138.49		505.42	0.00	1,342.22	44,480.71
4/27/2005	Village District Office Equipment	Office Equipment	LSB SAV				0.00	300.44		24.95	24.95	0.00	300.44
3/10/2006	Village District Well Renovation	Renovate Wells	LSB SAV				163.44	15,656.02		176.10	339.54	0.00	15,656.02
4/12/2007	Village District Vehicle Replacement	Vehicle Replacement	LSB SAV				2,266.00	24,062.34		655.64	2,901.64	0.00	24,062.34
9/5/2008	Village District Office Building	Office Building	LSB SAV				299.71	608.84		26.98	26.98	0.00	608.84
9/5/2008	Village District Well Exploration & Development	Well Expl. & Dev't	LSB SAV				0.00	8,000.00		99.03	0.00	398.74	8,398.74
9/17/2009	Village District Building Maintenance CRF	Building Maint.	LSB SAV				0.00	1,947.53		313.24	313.24	0.00	1,947.53

Village District Of Eastman: [Continued]												
12/8/2009	Village District Allen's Drive Upgrade Study - CLOSED	Upgrade Study	LSB SAV	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	34.15	1.10	35.25	0.00	0.00
8/2/2010	VDE Alternative Energy Study/Audit CRF	Energy Audit & Study	LSB SAV	6,000.00	0.00	5,984.09	15.91	149.65	9.61	159.26	0.00	15.91
8/2/2010	VDE Computer Software, Upgrades & Maint - CLOSED	Computer Updates	LSB SAV	1,734.84	0.00	1,734.84	0.00	0.00	1.83	1.83	0.00	0.00
7/14/2011	Water Storage Tank Repair and Maintenance	Water Tank Repair	LSB SAV	19,025.00	10,000.00	5,682.00	29,343.00	492.46	315.54	808.00	0.00	23,348.00
	Sub-Total Town of Village District of Eastman			220,341.87	52,000.00	152,485.43	119,856.44	4,222.21	2,178.67	4,626.71	1,774.17	121,630.61
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS												
12/27/1995	Village District Generator & Pumps Maintenance	Gen./Pump Maint.	LSB SAV	4,620.50	0.00	0.00	4,620.50	0.00	55.13	0.00	55.13	4,675.63
12/27/1995	Village District Water Main Maintenance	Water Main	LSB SAV	367,574.35	120,000.00	31,616.85	455,957.50	0.00	4,744.16	4,744.16	0.00	455,957.50
2003 & 2005	Village District Backflow & Meter Replacement	Backflow/Meter	LSB SAV	13,784.45	30,000.00	27,280.66	16,503.79	0.00	256.37	256.37	0.00	16,503.79
	Sub-Total Town of Village District of Eastman			385,979.30	150,000.00	58,897.51	477,081.79	0.00	5,055.66	5,000.53	55.13	477,136.92
TOTAL - VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EASTMAN:												
				841,289.11	412,764.79	233,403.18	1,020,670.72	4,788.35	11,075.13	11,172.16	4,691.32	1,025,362.04
	[2] Withdrawal of principal pursuant to 9/30/11 Probate Court Order.											
	[3] Funds generated from Sewer revenues, not from taxes											
	[4] This is the fund in which there was an inadvertent \$5,000 error in last year's MS-9 report. The error involved missing a \$5,000 deposit made on July 15th, 2015, that was shown in the fund's ledger sheet but was missed when completing the FY 15-16 MS-9. The corrected beginning balance is as shown in this year's report.											
6/30/2016	REPORT TOTAL			2,131,261.90	532,184.79	328,560.39	2,334,886.30	88,024.05	27,677.56	13,025.87	102,675.87	2,437,562.16



Tax Collector's Report

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

Instructions	
Cover Page	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate) Enter the year of the report Enter the preparer's information 	
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/	

ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?		
Municipality: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="GRANTHAM"/>	County: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="SULLIVAN"/>	Report Year: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="2017"/>

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?			
First Name <input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="KENNETH"/>	Last Name <input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="STORY"/>		
Street No. <input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="300"/>	Street Name <input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="ROUTE 10 SOUTH"/>	Phone Number <input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="(603) 863-5608"/>	
Email (optional) <input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="TCTC@GRANTHAMNH.NET"/>			



Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2016	Year: 2015	Year: Prior	
Property Taxes	3110		\$3,044,758.00			
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185		\$283.91			
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$6,958.71)		(\$1,000.00)		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies	
			2016	
Property Taxes	3110	\$5,753,176.16	\$5,690,166.34	
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$3,941.54	\$4,332.78	
Excavation Tax	3187			
Other Taxes	3189			
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
			2016	2015	Prior
Property Taxes	3110		\$33,730.52	\$4.45	
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
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Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190		\$19,891.87		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				

Total Debits		\$5,750,158.99	\$8,792,163.42	\$4.45	
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Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2016	Prior Levies 2015	Prior
Property Taxes	\$4,239,927.83	\$8,654,109.97		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$3,246.80	\$4,616.69		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)		\$19,891.87		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$106,878.63		
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Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2016	Prior Levies 2015	Prior
Property Taxes		\$6,539.91	\$4.45	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
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Current Levy Deeded		\$126.35		



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2016	2015	Prior
Property Taxes	\$1,527,659.91			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$694.74			
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance [?]	(\$21,370.29)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance [?]				
Total Credits	\$5,750,158.99	\$8,792,163.42	\$4.45	



Summary of Debits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
	Year: 2015	Year: 2014	Year: Prior	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year	\$72,098.09	\$48,616.66	\$48,750.67	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$114,286.19			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$1,288.61	\$3,060.63	\$6,504.93	
<input type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Total Debits	\$115,574.80	\$75,158.72	\$55,121.59	\$58,007.84
Summary of Credits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
	2015	2014	Prior	
Redemptions	\$47,957.70	\$25,250.62	\$15,957.66	\$6,927.33
<input type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$1,265.61	\$3,006.13	\$6,479.93	\$9,122.67
<input type="text"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	\$23.00	\$27.25		\$611.30
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$200.22	\$176.17	\$214.27
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$66,328.49	\$46,674.50	\$32,507.83	\$41,132.27
Total Credits	\$115,574.80	\$75,158.72	\$55,121.59	\$58,007.84



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1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

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	Preparer's Last Name	Date
KENNETH	STORY	08/16/2017

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

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.

[Handwritten Signature]
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR
Preparer's Signature and Title

Town of Grantham



Department Reports

Board of Selectmen Report

This was a very eventful year for the Selectmen's office with many changes in personnel and positions. These occurred with retirements, resignations, new appointments and familiar faces in new positions.

Selectman Sheridan Brown resigned in late December due to increased professional responsibilities. It was with great reluctance that we accepted his decision. The time and effort he put into his position was most certainly appreciated.

When an unexpected opening occurs on the select board the remaining members must choose a replacement in a timely manner. Andy Gelston agreed to come on board and fill in for Sheridan until the March elections. Thank you, Andy!

With expert guidance from Municipal Resources, Inc. of Meredith, New Hampshire, we undertook a search for the replacement of retiring Chief of Police Walter Madore. It proved to be well worth the effort of going through this thorough and lengthy process. We were fortunate that MRI had completed an extensive review of our Police Department the previous year thus they were well aware of the needs of the department and the community.

There were 19 candidates that went through the MRI screening process ending up with four solid candidates. These four candidates came in for face-to-face interviews. One of the finalists was our own Sergeant John Parsons. By going through this rigorous process John proved in every way, to be the top candidate. We are very proud and fortunate to have him as the head of our Police Department. The positive community response over the past few months has proved we made the right decision.

On July 6, 2017 a retirement reception was held for Chief Walter Madore. Walter served Grantham well for many years starting as a part time officer, then to full time officer, and moving up the ranks to Chief. Many of Chief Madore's family, friends and law enforcement officials from neighboring towns and around the state came to wish him well and thank him for his service. He was presented with many gifts, speeches of appreciation and a Boston rocker engraved with the town seal.

We are so very fortunate to have an exceptional core of full time and regular part time employees. This group of employees have proven to be extremely loyal, conscientious and hardworking; always willing to go the "extra mile" when called upon. Without this core group of individuals, we could not provide the services you have all come to expect. Our departments are minimally staffed and that means that when a person is out someone is doing double or at times triple duty.

Of this core group of twenty-two employees, sixteen are full time and six are part-time (three part-timers for the Police Department and three for the Transfer Station). Fourteen employees are residents of Grantham. We have been very lucky to have relatively little turn over in this group which we believe accounts for the efficiency of our operations.

We could not fulfill all that is required and necessary without all the dedicated members of our on-call Volunteer Fire Department and Fast Squad. The Fire Department and Fast Squad most certainly are always ready to go when duty calls. To be ready for that "call", they spend endless hours training in order to keep up with ever changing new and more effective procedures. When they are toned out every second counts and they rise to the occasion regardless of time of day or night or weather conditions.

For all the citizens who serve on the various boards, committees, commissions and those responsible for community events and programs we recognize your contribution to the wellbeing of our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie, Warren & Andy

Building Inspector's Report

74 building permits were issued for the calendar year 2017 as follows:

New homes—3

Remodels—23

Garage—4

Shed—7

Accessory Structure—1

Deck/Porch—9

Addition—1

Commercial—4

Other—22

This was a decrease in issued permits over the same period last year (86 permits). Well over 140 inspections were conducted. Property owners are reminded that all building permits must be displayed and made available for required inspections and signatures.

Also, street numbers 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 concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Woodworth
Building Inspector

Conservation Commission Report

The Grantham Conservation Commission (GCC) is charged with encouraging the public and governing bodies to advance “the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources” of Grantham. It serves as an advisory board to the Grantham Selectmen, and as such, its recommendations usually need to be ratified by the Selectmen before they become actionable. Unlike the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, which have statutory authority and whose members are elected by the public, the Chair of the GCC is appointed by the Selectmen, and its members are usually nominated by the chair and approved by the Selectmen.

This year, in its effort to insure the “proper utilization and protection of the natural resources” of Grantham, the Commission hired Laura French of Meadowsend Consulting to update the 2007 Forest Management Plan for the Grantham Town Forest. Her report explains that New Hampshire in general and the Town Forest in particular lack the habitat diversity essential to maximize wildlife. Wildlife does best when fields, shrub lands, young forests and mature stands are all available in reasonable proximity. To improve habitat in the Town Forest, she recommends clearing eight or so patches ranging in size from 4 to 11 acres. Several mature trees would be left in each patch to provide seed and perch, but most of the trees would be removed allowing the patches to become early successional forest. She proposes clearing a different 40-50 acres 10-15 years later and so on until the Town Forest becomes a patchwork of mixed ages ranging from young saplings to mature 100 year old trees. The Commission has accepted her recommendation and hopes to initiate the cutting in the winter of 2018-19, hopefully at a small profit to the town.

A similar logging project had been planned for the Smith Lot during the winter of 2016-17 but was postponed because of the mid-winter thaw. That operation is now planned for 2017-18 and should result in better parking, a new loop trail and a large clearing around the old cemetery. Again, it is anticipated that the operation will not only improve the value of the Lot for recreation and wildlife habitat, but also generate a small profit.

During the year the Commission also stained the bridge and installed a Little Free Library at Brookside Park, cleared the Brookside trails after storms, led hikes in Sherwood and the Town Forest, sponsored a talk on Emerald Ash Borer, and assisted in the creation of a pollinator garden at Brookside and new trails at the Grantham Village School. Other routine activities of the Commission this year included the review of numerous cutting and “dredge and fill” applications, the monitoring the Smith Lot and Sherwood Forest, discussion with local land owners to increase conserved land and participation in Old Home Day.

If you are interested in volunteering for Commission projects, please contact David Wood, Commission Chair, at 865-7473.

Dunbar Free Library Trustees Report

This has been a great year for Dunbar Free Library. Through the hard work of DFL staff, volunteers and community supporters, we have seen our library programming continue to grow. This past year, we wrote and submitted a Strategic Plan for the future of our library for 2017 to 2022, and we built a Little Free Library, making books accessible for all in our community 24/7. (Details on these projects are discussed below.)

Strategic Plan 2017-2022: An Ad Hoc committee of DFL Trustees as well as community members and the Library Director was formed to write a five year strategic plan. The plan includes comprehensive surveys and data, collected through both online and paper versions from the community. The resulting five year Strategic Plan 2017-2022 was submitted to the Town this past spring and is available to the public on the Town of Grantham website and at the library.

Dunbar Little Free Library: An accomplishment that we are most proud of this year is the completion of Grantham's very own Little Free Library. The Little Free Library, #55321, is located at Rum Brook Plaza. It is officially registered with the Little Free Library organization, making our town a part of the larger Little Free Library movement, which aims to increase access to books and encourage a love of reading for people of all ages and backgrounds. A grand opening ceremony was held at Rum Brook Plaza in July and was well attended by the Dunbar Free Library staff, DFL Trustees, library volunteers and many town residents. Grantham's State Senator, Ruth Ward, was present to read a Resolution of Appreciation, recognizing the community contribution of the Little Free Library project. We also received letters of congratulations from Senators Jeanne Shaheen and Maggie Hassan and from Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and an article about the project appeared in the Eagle Times. The Little Free Library project was truly a community effort and represents the work of many people, including the Dunbar Little Free Library Committee, chaired by Beverly Marshall, and by Rum Brook Plaza owner Sara Hastings, John Larrabee and a team of school-aged volunteers from the Youth Conservation Corps, and the Eastman Charitable Foundation. As Senator Hassan wrote in her letter of recognition, "Their extraordinary efforts exemplify the all hands on deck spirit of New Hampshire's people, where we roll up our sleeves, pitch in and together move our state forward."

On behalf of the Dunbar Free Library Board of Trustees, we offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Dunbar Free Library staff and volunteers. We also extend our gratitude to Ed Jenik, who, after nine years of service as our Treasurer, moved to Florida, and to Sara Lang, our Chairperson since 2015. Finally, it would be impossible to do this work without the support of the Friends of the Dunbar Free Library, led by Susan Wren, and most especially, the Grantham community and our partnership with the Town of Grantham, under the leadership of Melissa White.



Beverly Marshall

Chair

Dunbar Free Library Board of Trustees



1 Games Around the World

Dunbar Free Library
 401 Route 10, South
 Grantham
www.dunbarlibrary.org
info@dunbarlibrary.org



2 Miss Dawn with a beard!

<Summer Reading Program events>

Hours: Mon & Wed 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Thurs. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri. 8:30 a.m.-Noon, Sat. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Director Dawn Huston; Staff: Joey Holmes, Bobbi Travis, Terri Heepe, Karen Goldstein, and Andy Gelston
 (Special Summer Reading Program '16 Co-ordinator Katia Ford)

From July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017:

Items owned: Format	Amount added	Amount removed*	End of year total
Print books	1734	20	22,710
e-books ("in-house", not NHDB consortium)	11		144
Audios	205	1	1,974
Videos	358	103	3,078
Games and Puzzles	15	1	188
Magazines		1	72 titles
Etc., etc., etc. (e.g. Kindle)	5	1	11
Borrowers and readers	160	NA	2,132

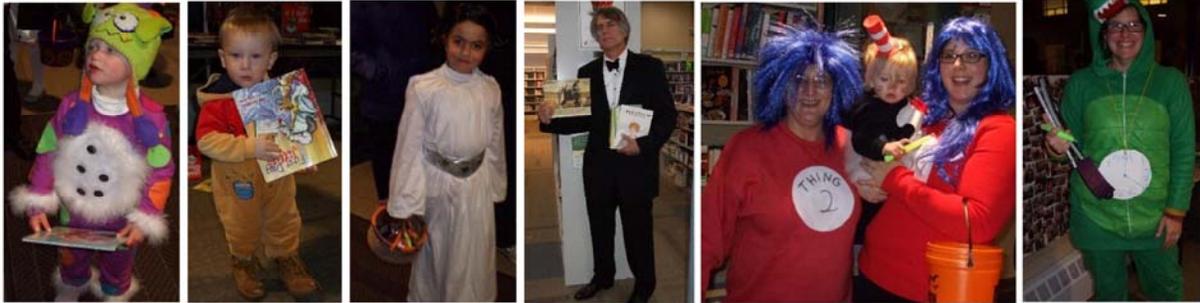
We are still in a honeymoon period post-addition of not needing to "weed", but weeding will start again, probably this year.

Downloadable circulation	Audio: 2,200	Video: 2,097	Total: 4,297
Inter-library loan	We lent: 1,163	We borrowed: 1,052	Net +111
Visits to the library	32,411		
Attendance at programs	165 programs	2,999 people	

Statement of the use of the property of the library in furthering the educational requirements of the municipality and such other information and suggestions as may seem desirable...(RSA 202-A:12)

More programs and more attendees Starting with the first of 2 Hampstead stage productions: *The Wizard of Oz*, these 2 actor productions with audience participation are always a lot of fun, then we had a number of game related presentations and activities with the Summer Reading program's theme of "On your Mark, get Set, Read!". A popular genealogical program was repeated in July. **Partners!** We partnered with so many different entities throughout the year: with the town, with Eastman Activities to present "Your Hit Parade", with Eastman Charitable Association (providing resources on Isles of Shoals in preparation for their annual community lecture), with the Cub Scouts for a Veteran's day ceremony, with the Garden Club for the first of several art exhibits "Art in Bloom" (see Joey's entry), which was followed by community member E. Moore, Croydon Village School, and Paula Dorr. Although the Summer Reading Program "Launch" didn't take place at GVS this past June '16-'17 was the first full year of an actual GVS bus stop at DFL, another partnership, allowing age-qualified 4th, 5th, and 6th graders nasty weather access to the library when walking was

inhospitable. Our biggest and best partnership is with the **Friends of Dunbar Free Library**, who among other things fund our Summer Reading Program, provide most of our Museum passes, host a Holiday feast, vastly increase the number of movies we can buy and in general make library life more wonderful! Here’s another partnership: getting a book furthers the “educational mission” of Trick-or-treating at the library and here are some happy recipients of books that were practically **100% donated by the community**.



We had Story Times with soooo many people – one guest story-teller was the Principal of Grantham Village School, Heather Cantagallo, to welcome new Kindergarteners. There was a get-out-of-school story time and a go-back-to-school story time (both in your pajamas), Thomas the train story time, Holiday story time, and many more. We had at least one JUST for kids trying to be read 1000 books before Kindergarten (and more than 7 had succeeded last summer already when we only started the program in February ’16!) Audiences included lapsitters, toddlers and preschoolers, Croydon Village School students, older siblings, parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents and friends, the entire Grantham Village School K-3rd grades (I went visiting for that one) and some babies not yet born.

More information available Are you aware of all the things we offer online that you can access at home (or practically anywhere else you might happen to be)? Go to www.dunbarlibrary.org and...



Joey’s entry in the Art in Bloom exhibit

New Hampshire Downloadable Books (nh.overdrive.com) lets you borrow books to read on your phone, tablet or computer, and books to listen to, too – access **Weiss Financial Ratings** for info on stocks, bonds, mutual funds, banks and more and create your own login so any change in your stock of interest will be emailed directly to you, – look up information in the *Encyclopædia Britannica*, – or in thousands articles from different magazines and journals using **Ebsco’s Masterfile Premiere** or **Academic Premiere**, – with **Mango** you can practice speaking a foreign language, – read the *New York Times*** – look up genealogical information on **HeritageQuest** ...I’m running out of breath. And the list doesn’t even include ALL the resources we have available online at the library. Ask us, visit and we’ll demonstrate, or check out the website on your own!

** This one’s brand new: only since January!!

More thanks are in order—Thanks to the wonderful staff, thanks to the great volunteers including the magnificent trustees (and here I must say a sad farewell but happy future to Ed Jenik who was a trustee for **!9!** years and the treasurer for 8(!), chair of the Building Committee that chose our architect and spear-headed the fundraising effort for the addition/renovation project, who did a bunch more stuff that I can't list all of here-**THANK YOU, ED!!**), and Many, Many thanks to you the community who support us so well so we can help you as best we can.

Energy Committee Report

The Grantham Energy Committee (GEC) acts in an advisory capacity to the Board of Selectmen and other Town boards, Committees and commissions on matters concerning energy conservation, energy efficiency and cost reduction as well as an awareness to our commitment in reducing our greenhouse gas emissions. The GEC members collect information from attending workshops and conferences on local energy solutions as well as staying informed on the latest changes in energy regulations from our legislature. The committee promotes information to residents and local businesses on current trends in renewables and improving home efficiency through workshops offered during the year. The GEC holds their meetings on the first Monday of each month at 5:00 in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room unless otherwise posted.

In its third year as a Town Committee, the GEC realized the completion of two projects from 2016. The town switched to LED street lights. Also, at the 2017 Town Meeting, a warrant article to allow property owners that have installed whole house wood-heating energy systems to apply for a one hundred percent property tax exemption for the assessed value of the system. The exemption is a neutral assessment that does not increase the property owner's taxes nor does it impact the town revenues.

The GEC continues to identify and develop solar energy opportunities for the Town. The work includes recognizing potential sites for the solar array at various town properties as well as contacting vendors that have expertise in municipal projects using Power Purchase Agreements that offer long term fixed savings on electricity and no out of pocket installation to the town.

This past year the GEC has collaborated with the Eastman community in hosting two workshops. The open information event in February focused on Wood Heating Systems and included vendors and installers and a similar event in May on HVAC and air heat pumps. Both events included question and answer time and were well received. We hope to offer more events through the course of this coming year.

Paula Bresnick (Co-Chair)

Jenna Chenevert (Co-Chair)

Kristina Burgard

Andy Gelston

Don Fitzpatrick

Peggy Martineau

Michael Salo

Emergency Management Report

Whether for yourself and your family or for the department managers of the town; maintaining situational awareness, staying prepared and reacting properly are essential to keeping yourself and the residents of the town safe.

At the end of October, a wind and rain event affected all of New Hampshire. The town was better off than some parts of the state, but many in Grantham were without utilities for multiple days. Although wind and rain are not unique to the area, it was a reminder of the many ways we can be taken off the grid and to maintain our preparedness throughout the year. And a reminder to keep our emergency kits and supplies up to date; are the batteries in the kit still fresh, the food not expired and freshen the drinking water. For additional information about your emergency kit: www.ready.gov.

During an extended outage there are facilities in town that are open. The library attempts to maintain regular hours. And in Eastman the Center and the South Cove Activity Center are open for all Grantham residents for showers and recharging of electronics.

Finally, as always if it is an emergency call 911 for help. However, if during an extended situation if you find you need non-emergency help please call Newport Dispatch at (603)863-3232 and they will notify either Emergency Management or the Grantham Police Department with your request.

Please feel free to contact me at Grantham_EMD@comcast.net if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Respectively submitted,

David Beckley

Grantham Emergency Management Director

Grantham Fire and EMS Department



As in years past, I will open by stating the department stays busy. Calls for emergency service, maintaining the equipment and training to be prepared for the next emergency keep the dedicated volunteers active throughout the year. Special thanks also goes out to the Grantham Community for staying safe and continuing to support the Grantham Fire Department and Grantham EMS

Toward the end of the year the fire department has been joined by 4 new members as a result of the *Volunteers Needed* sign in front of the station. These new firefighters will be provided training and equipment. Hopefully they will continue to serve the community for many years. A reminder to all, just because the sign is not there does not mean we don't need your help. We have opportunities including firefighter, EMT or providing support through our association. There is much more to being a firefighter or volunteer than running into burning buildings (which we do very little), as you see from the activity list there is a wide range of emergencies we respond to. If you are interested in helping, whether firefighting, providing medical services or with other skills please contact the department at 863-5710.

2017 Members of the Grantham Fire Department and Grantham EMS:

Grantham Fire Department

Jay Fountain	Chief
David Beckley	Deputy Chief
Jeremy Labombard	Lieutenant

Fire Fighters

Ryan Avery	Justin Hastings	Jason McMahon
Rosie Bard	Cory Howarth	Lewis Meier
Hunter Coronis	Brandon Mason	Stephen Ripley

Grantham EMS

Stuart Gillespie	EMS Coordinator, AEMT
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EMTs

Gergana Alteva, AEMT	Bruce Chipman, AEMT	Jill Davis, EMT-P
Lori Avery, EMT	Jane Chipman, AEMT	Jeremy Labombard, EMT-A

The Grantham Fire Department participates in two mutual aid groups; The Kearsarge Region Mutual Aid Association and the Upper Valley Region Emergency Services Association. Through these associations resources and knowledge are shared. As we closed out 2017 two separate structure fires in December brought mutual aid fire departments to town providing additional manpower and equipment for these emergencies.

In 2017 the Grantham Fire Department responded to 110 calls. Below is a breakdown by major category type for the year. However, this simple list does not begin to describe the variety or calls and conditions to which the fire department responds.

Fire	16
Motor Vehicle Accident	19
Alarms: Smoke, CO or Unintentional	19
Service Calls, Good Intent, and Other	23
Medical/ EMS Assists	11
Wires Down, Trees in Roadway	14
Rescue, Hazardous Conditions	8

There were 184 requests for Medical Assistance in the past year. Grantham EMS responds to assess and provide initial stabilization. Grantham EMS responded to 69 of the requests. The Lebanon Fire Department Ambulance provides response and transport to the hospital. New London Hospital Ambulance provides back-up if the Lebanon Ambulances are busy.

Motor Vehicle Accident	20
Trauma - Fall	18
Trauma - Other	7
Medical - Cardiac, Chest Pain	17
Medical - Stroke, CVA, Seizure	13
Mecical - Breathing Difficulty	14
Medical - Illness, Other	53
Psychological, Altered Status, Substance Abuse	14
Fire Support and CO alarms	9
Public Assist, Medical Alarms and Lift Assist	18
Mutual Aid to other towns	1

This past year, the fire department has formalized a regular rotation of work details. Assigned groups within the department will check and maintain the equipment on the apparatus and in the fire station. Beyond the obvious maintenance of the equipment, an additional benefit is gained as our members become familiar with the operation and location of the equipment.



The fire department trains two or three times a month. By learning, practicing and refreshing our skills we intend to be ready to be able to respond to various emergencies in town. In the picture above, the department is training for a vehicle fire.

Finally thanking the community for your continued support, and hoping to see you come down to the fire station to volunteer with us.

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

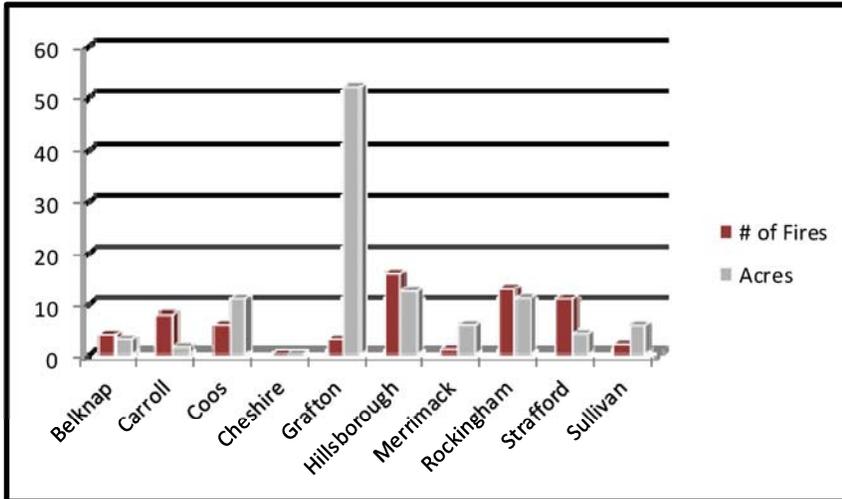
This past year we were fortunate enough to have favorable weather conditions in the spring and summer which limited the amount of wildland fire activity throughout the state. September and October saw fire conditions change and the state was faced with some difficult fires. The Dilly Cliff fire in North Woodstock was one of the most challenging fires we have seen in New Hampshire. Steep terrain and extreme fire behavior made this fire difficult to fight. It lasted for over 3 weeks and the final hotspots in inaccessible terrain were extinguished by heavy rains. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were 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 2017 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2018 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire 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. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

2017 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 2017)



HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2017	64	107
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED								
(These numbers do not include the WMNF)								
Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.*
0	7	11	1	4	0	4	0	37

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

Highway Department

Road Agent Report

For some reason, 2017 seemed to fly by faster than usual. I feel like I was just writing 2016's Town Report!

We had a busy winter of plowing and sanding. We used 2000 yards of winter sand, and 206 tons of salt in total. The department worked a combined 375 hours of overtime. Winter proved to be an exciting one as well having the 2015 plow truck catch on fire due to improper installation of a hydraulic hose from the factory. The truck was out of commission for a month while being repaired. I was thankful that the grader and one ton were able to meet our needs in its absence.

Spring was slow to come (as usual). A nor'easter hit us in April and I am pleased to advise we had no frozen culverts! This was a first. Mud Season was mild with the need for only one truckload of stone to be spread. I can only hope for the same this year! Annual road sweeping and winter sand cleanup took place, and typical summer maintenance seamlessly began. This included grading, raking, spreading gravel, ditching and roadside mowing.

The big project for the summer was prepping New Aldrich Road for new paving. It took 2800 ton of gravel to make the mile long dirt road base suitable for pavement. The rental of a vibrating roller, and an excavator helped with a month straight of ditching, changing culverts, fine grading and compacting. Pike Industries made short work of the paving, and the road was ready for traffic in November. We also spread a combined total of 3,900 ton of gravel on Howe Hill, Miller Pond and Stocker Pond Road. Ditching took place on Walker, Howe Hill, and Cote Road. We also rented a chipper for a week of tree trimming on New Aldrich, Stocker Pond and Stoney Brook Road. Dust control was a bit of an issue due to an overly dry summer. We ended up using two ton of chloride in total.

A special thanks to the residents of Grantham for your patience with single lane traffic, flaggers, machines in the road, and any inconvenience with your day-to-day routines while we continue to improve the roads throughout town. I appreciate your continued support. To the selectman, Brian Hastings, Donny Cote, and Glen Carey a very big thank you for your hard work all year long.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Hastings
Road Agent

Planning Board

Site Plan Review

Joshua Gilbert/ Gilly's Auto Repair Shop; Tax Map 235 Lot 017; 1205 Route 114

Northwind Security Products, LLC/ Grace's Grantham Café; Tax Map 226 Lot 020; 151 Route 10 North.

Yankee Barn Road Realty Trust/Proposed Rental of Space; Tax Map 226 Lot 018; 163 Yankee Barn Rd.

Janice Vien & Sean Lyon/Change of Use, Renovate Office into Tiny Apartment; Tax Map 226 Lot 020-001; 149 Route 10 North.

Northwind Security Products, LLC/Thomas O'Hara-Therapy Clinic; Tax Map 226 Lot 020; 151 Route 10 North.

Northwind Security Products, LLC; Ty Mai/Nail Salon; Tax Map 233 Lot 026; 120 Route 10 South.

Norwich Solar Technologies/ECA Solar, LLC/ Installation of Ground Mounted Solar Array Panels; Tax Map 222 Lot 280; Eastman.

Norwich Solar Technologies, LLC/Village District Eastman Solar, LLC/ Installation of Ground Mounted Solar Array Panels; Tax Map 222 Lot 281; Eastman.

Merger / Annexation

D.S. Goodwin Revocable Trust; Map 214 Lots 017 and 018; 23 Wildwood Dr.

Cynthia M. Elio & Margaret A. Elio; Tax Map 225 Lots 060 and 061; 5 Wedgewood Dr.

Stephen & David Handley; Tax Map 222 Lots 238 and 239; 30 Deer Run.

Michael Miner; Tax Map 214 Lot 031 / Tax Map 215 Lot 175; 14 Catamount Rd. and 26 Bright Slope Way

Jeffrey Rosen; Tax Map 213 Lots 013 and 014; 43 Anderson Pond Rd. and 1 Auburn Brae.

Melissa McEwen & Bryce Walker; Tax Map 213 Lots 020 and 021; Anderson Pond-Section 3.

Sign Permit Application

Pamela Hanson; Tax Map 237 Lot 003 / 20 Route 114.

G.H. Everts & Company, LLC; Tax Map 236 Lot 010; 631 Route 114.

Joshua Gilbert/ Gilly's Auto; Tax Map 235 Lot 017; 1205 Route 114.

Northwind Security Products, LLC/Ty Mai - Nail Salon; Tax Map 233 Lot 026; 120 Route 10 S.

Northwind Security Products, LLC/ Thomas O'Hara - Therapy Clinic; Tax Map 226 Lot 020; 151 Route 10 North.

Boundary Line Adjustment

Yankee Barn Road Realty Trust – Robert MacNeil; Tax Map 226 Lot 018



POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT



Patrolman Ryan Cameron (left) and Senior Patrolman Ryan Gamble (right) welcome some of Grantham's young people to GPD.

The old adage of “It takes a village” is extremely relevant in today’s world. In working together towards a common goal, success comes much more handily than in trying to go it alone. Nowhere is that sentiment truer than in policing. As I look back over the past year, I see many different things that we as a community were able to accomplish. From community events such as Old Home Day and the Fireworks celebration, to residents’ generous support for the Cop on Top Special Olympics fundraiser and the CAC Beards for Bucks campaign. These type of community and law enforcement interactions only serve to strengthen the level of commitment that each one of us has to see our town flourish and thrive.

The members of the Grantham Police Department take great pride in the variety of services that we are able to offer to both residents and non-residents alike. Some, like traffic enforcement, are highly visible and serve a wide variety of people and purposes, both directly and indirectly.

Others, such as house checks, motor vehicle unlocks, and fingerprinting, are more limited in both visibility and numbers of people who benefit. However, these and other functions all combine to assist members of our community. At times, they help to reduce either the time spent or added costs of utilizing other avenues for these same services.

In conclusion, we, the members of the Grantham Police Department thank you for the trust you place in us each and every day. At all times, we will endeavor to remain steadfast in our abilities to protect and serve all persons within the Grantham community.

Respectfully,

Grantham Police Department



(From left to right) Administrative Assistant Judy DiPadova, Sgt Gordon Cunningham, Patrolman Ryan Cameron, Senior Patrolman Robert Schwartz, and Senior Patrolman Ryan Gamble show off their “fuzz” during the October Beards for Bucks CAC fundraising campaign.



GRANTHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017

Untimely/Unattended Death	4
Suicide	1
Attempted Suicide.....	3
Assault.....	2
Sexual Assault.....	2
Theft (all)	14
Fraud (all).....	12
Harassment.....	5
Criminal Threatening.....	3
Criminal Mischief (Vandalism)	10
Disorderly Conduct.....	5
Pistol Permit Application	51
Criminal Trespass.....	9
Sexual Offender Registrations	13
MV Complaints.....	58
Alarms/Burglary Alarms.....	86
Checking Locations.....	799
House Check Requests.....	26
Domestic Issues/Orders	12
Road Obstruction/Traffic Problems	30
Suspicious Activity/Person-Vehicle	64
Assist Fire Dept./Fast Squad.....	141
Assist Other Agency/Police/NHSP.....	131
Assist Social Service Agency	11
MV Accident.....	31
Mental Health Issues.....	26
Dog Control Law.....	34
Reckless Operation	1
Negligent Driving	1
Driving After Revocation/Suspension	1
DWI	3
Arrest- Warrant/Capias	10
Fingerprints/Public Assist	74
Medical/Ambulance Call.....	30
Assist Town Agency	23
Subtotal	1726
*All Other Offenses.....	513
Traffic Citations/Warnings Issued	1084
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	3323

*All Other Incidents include, but are not limited to:
 Disabled Motor Vehicles, Welfare Checks, Police Information, Littering, Juvenile Matters, Cruelty to Animals, Record Checks, Parking Complaints, Found/Lost Property, Violation of Town By-Laws, Request for Information, Wires Down/Tree Limbs Down, Missing Persons, Protective Custody, Civil Standby, Passing a School Bus, Repossession, VIN Verification, 911 Hang-ups; Papers Served or Attempted to Serve, Landlord-Tenant Disputes, etc.

Recreation: Athletics Report

2017 was a busy year for Grantham Athletics. Parent coaches and volunteers were on hand to help support all sports seasons.

The spring sports season for Grantham Athletics was highly successful for baseball, continuing in participation with the Kearsarge Valley Cal Ripken League comprised of the towns of Andover, Bradford/Newbury/Sutton; Grantham, New London, Sunapee, and Warner. The season provided a T-ball team (age 5-6), 2 Rookie level teams (7-8), 1 Minors team (9-10), and a Majors team for 11-12 year olds.

Tball was coached by Bob Mills and his wife Amber and had 10 players. This was made up of Kindergarten and pre-kindergarten players. There were two Rookie teams for the 1st and 2nd grade group—Rookie 1 coached by Tom Ripley with the help of Todd Bircher and Jeff Durell. The Rookie 2 team was coached by Dan Schachtner and Jeremy Bachelder. There was one Minors baseball team for the 3rd and 4th grade level and was coached by Randy Britton, with the help of John Murphy and Paige Leonard. The Minors team made it into the playoffs and was the League Champions in their division for the league!

The Majors team of 5th and 6th grade boys was coached by Carl Melendy with the help of Ed Miller and Jon Ames. The Majors team also went into the playoffs and finished 3rd in the league for their division.

The team jerseys were sponsored by Shepherd Realty for 1 rookie team, the minors and majors team. The additional rookie team was sponsored by Sheara Bailey, Bean Group Realtors.

Unfortunately there was not enough interest in softball this year and a few players were sent to Lebanon or Newport to join the teams there.

A very special thank you goes to Carl Melendy for helping to install a batting cage at the Grantham Recreation Park utilizing the original batting net from the GVS gym. This helped players tremendously. Carl also built and installed a scoreboard for game use which resides on the north side wall of the pavilion.

The baseball season was also successful in bringing hungry spectators and enjoyed a variety of delicious snacks and food at the concession. A heartfelt thank you to Jennifer Beaulieu who helped organize and run the concession for the majors team's home games and to Andrea Meier who helped with Minors games. It is hopeful that other sports seasons can enjoy this great asset at the park.

Taekwondo continues to be offered in the fall, winter and spring and has provided many of its participants the opportunity to compete at higher levels of skill in tournaments and competitions, which is no small feat. A special thank you to the instructor, Stephen Hopkins for his dedication to this sport.

Fall Soccer was a small but successful group and continues to enjoy games within the Merrimack Valley Soccer League. 5/6 grade boys were coached by Andy Engert with support from Glenn Price. The 5/6 boys made it to the playoffs in Hillsboro and took 2nd place after an undefeated season.

There was insufficient participation to form a 5/6 grade girls or 3/4 grade boys soccer teams this year.

3/4 grade girls were coached by Jeremy Bachelder with support from Erin Ames, Jeff Durell and Mitch Utell. The 1st/2nd grade co-ed team was coached by Jeremy Bachelder. The Kindergarten team was coached by Jennifer Ferland with help from Jeff Durell. 3/4 girls also enjoyed an undefeated season. Players, parents and coaches have much to be proud of.

The Halloween event this year was supported by Grantham Athletics and offered a pasta dinner, dance with music by Jim Hollis, a costume contest, a pumpkin carving contest and a variety of games. It was well attended by local youth and their parents. Thank you to Nikki Arsenault for your help and to Jonathan and Kaitlyn Eylander for your help in decorating! A special thank you to Denise Buckman for volunteering her time running games. Debbie Bailey and Katherine Volkaert et al, were a tremendous help as well! Thank you for stepping in and giving your generous support!

Basketball season had a strong enrollment with 4 competitive teams for 3rd/4th grade boys and girls team each and a 5th/6th grade boys and girls team each that participated in games within the Quad Valley League comprised of teams from Grantham, Sunapee, Newport and Mt. Royal. 1st/2nd co-ed team and the Kindergarten age team learned the fundamentals of basketball and learning the skills of dribbling, passing, teamwork and sportsmanship. A special thank you to Randy Britton for coaching the 5th/6th grade boys, Denise Durkee for coaching 5th/6th grade girls, Todd Matte and Paige Leonard for coaching the 3rd/4th grade boys and Jeremy Bachelder for coaching the 3rd/4th grade girls and the 1/2 grade team. Also a thank you to coaches new to Grantham, Jerry Volpe and Tim Swope for the Kindergarten team.

Grantham Athletics is a department designed to help support the youth of Grantham in building their athletic skills in a progressive, encouraging manner and foster the ideals of good sportsmanship and the rewards of teamwork. I will always thank the great volunteers I find in parents and community members who dedicate their time and resources to support these programs. THANK YOU!

Respectfully,

Marsha Googins
Athletic Director

Supervisor's of the Checklist Report

We would like to thank the following people who worked on the Special election for State Representative, November 7, 2017. There was a total of 721 Votes.

Jane Clark	Judith McCarthy
Russell Clark	Robert McCarthy
Jim Donoghue	Mary Niles
Ruthann Eastman	Jane Taylor
Sara Fogg	Rae Tober
Rita Friedman	

We will need volunteers for the 2018 Mid Term Primary and General Elections. Kindly submit your name to one of us if interested in serving as a ballot clerk or other jobs associated with an election. We can be reached at 3supervisors@gmail.com or you can give your contact information at the Town Clerk Tax Collector's office.

In updating our checklist the following process is now mandated by the State of New Hampshire.

- Purge every 10 years which is scheduled for 2021.
- 30 day letter process.

We ask for your help in notifying us of voters that have moved. We will continue to review and update our checklist of eligible voters to make sure that it is current prior to the 2018 Elections. Prior to 2006 a drivers license and a middle name or initial was not required. In an effort to urge voters to update their registrations we have provided the Tax Collector's office with a list of names of those voters who need to respond. When you arrive at the Town Office to do business they will ask you to take the time to update your registration.

The legislature is contemplating new voting law requirements and we will keep you posted on any future changes.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Donna Stamper
Sandy Noordsy
Suzanne Goldman

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Where on earth did 2017 go? If you happen to find any traces of it I would appreciate getting a little extra time back, preferably some nice warm days with the flowers in full bloom!

2017 was especially busy largely due to staff changes and shortages, elections, (or the postponement of them.....) as well as special projects that came along throughout the year.

Department heads and elected officials have come to rely on the staff of the Selectmen's Office for support and guidance. With a small staff (all three of us!) things can get hectic pretty quickly, especially when we have newly elected officials and employees. During the year, we had three different treasurers, a new building maintenance manager and a new Police Chief, all whom relied on us to help them get acclimated with the finance and administrative components of their positions.

March was quite the month. On March 3, Road Agent Jeff Hastings was out plowing when his 2015 International Plow Truck caught fire. Fortunately, Jeff's quick action in putting the fire out substantially reduced the amount of damage and the truck was back in service by the 15th! Then Town Meeting....what a day or should I say "what a blizzard" it was! After consultation with Town Counsel, Town Meeting was postponed by our Moderator, Susanna Schweizer until March 16. We all worked hard to ensure residents were informed of the postponement by putting announcements out on our local email lists, the cable access TV channels as well as posting paper notices at public businesses around town. Governor Sununu signed HB 329 to ratify all votes cast at postponed town meetings. As required by HB 329, the Selectmen held a public hearing on May 24 that legalized, ratified and confirmed all votes cast at our March 16 Town Meeting.

Although we were without an Activities Director to plan and carry out our community events we were still able to provide some fun during the year. The Easter Egg hunt was held on April 15 with over 100 children in attendance. It turned out to be a beautiful spring day with many families staying afterwards to enjoy our park. I want to thank Sugar River Bank for stuffing the Easter eggs, Selectman Sheridan Brown and his wife Deb, Selectman Connie Jones and my husband Andy for helping me spread the eggs over the fields. A special thank you is in order to the Easter Bunny who wowed the children and posed for photos!

We also had a successful Old Home Day celebration. Lots of fun was had by all, eating good food (especially the Fire Department's famous BBQ chicken!), visiting with friends and neighbors and enjoying the activities we had for the children. I want to thank the Board for all of their help with this event, as well as Renee Gustafson, Kristina Burgard, David Wood, Chris Scott, Charlie Burgard, my husband Andy and everyone else that pitched in along the way.

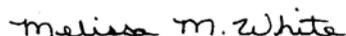
In August, we held our annual Music in the Meadow concert series which is always well attended. It's a lot of fun to pack a picnic dinner and sit in the park and listen to live music with friends and neighbors! At our final Music in the Meadow event, we held our 250th Anniversary fireworks celebration performed by North Star Fireworks. What a celebration it was, lasting for approximately 20 minutes, it sure was SPECTACULAR! Thank you to Kimball Farms, Inc. of Jaffrey, NH for the \$1,000 donation toward this event! If you missed it, Grantham resident Richard Swenson captured the whole show on video and posted it to YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IpwcRDcFck8>.

Having been "revived" by Selectman Sheridan Brown and his wife Deb, as well as Selectman Warren Kimball, the Grantham Scarecrows were once again displayed around town for the month of October. Thank you, Sheridan, Deb and Warren, for all of your hard work on this!

It's hard to believe that in December, I completed my tenth year working for Grantham, a wonderful community filled with so many thoughtful and caring residents! I am grateful for the many friendships I have made over the last decade and look forward to many more.

I have much to be thankful for, especially the support of my family, the Board of Selectmen, and all the staff and volunteers of the town. I look forward to 2018!

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa M. White
Town Administrator

Town Archivist Report

I started this position in December 2017, taking over from Rae Tober. Rae continues to support me through the learning curve.

I've started cataloging the contents of the archives. While this is a tedious process, it's also fascinating, I am learning much about the town history in the process. Why catalog? By cataloging the archives electronically we will be able to efficiently and effectively locate documents, maps or photos. By searching the database by keyword, date or name we will generate a list of all relevant documents, maps and photographs and their locations making for easier retrieval. The cataloging is not a quick task and I expect it to take up to two years for me to complete the task.

A gentlemen from California stopped into the archives one Friday afternoon in January. He was working on his genealogy and had ancestors in Grantham during the 1800's. We were able to find several property deeds and several other documents that contained information on his family. He was delighted to not only obtain copies of the documents but to also get a firsthand look at the original documents.

The archives now has a page on the town website under the department tab. We will continue to be open on Friday afternoon from 1-4pm and by appointment.

If you're cleaning out please consider contacting the archives. Your "junk" might be valuable to the archives or the historical society.

Respectfully,

Julie Cummings
Volunteer Town Archivist
Granthamharchives@gmail.com
Phone: 603-863-9701

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Report

The first full year of the new administration in the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office has been lively and productive. We have updated processes and made every effort to improve efficiency, especially in terms of communicating and coordinating with other town offices to reduce costs and duplication of effort. We have also worked hard to remain sufficiently flexible to handle unexpected events, such as the special election for the vacancy in the Sullivan County District 1 state representative seat, which required both a primary and a general election. Finally, we continue to build our skill set and emphasize regular training through workshops, conferences and online opportunities.

In addition to motor vehicle and boat registrations, we continue to license dogs and issue hunting and fishing licenses, as well as registrations for off-road (OHRV) vehicles, which include ATVs and snowmobiles. Please remember that motor vehicle registrations renew by the last day of the primary registrant's birth month, unless it is a lease, in which case the renewal month is assigned to the leasing company. We send renewal reminders via USPS or email, depending on the owner's preference. However, these are provided as a courtesy; in the event of a plate change initiated with DMV by the owner since the last registration, they may not be accurate. Please check your current registration to confirm your renewal month. All boats are registered for the calendar year. Dog licenses are also issued for the calendar year. They can be paid any time after the first of the year and are due by April 30. This deadline does not change year to year and remains in force regardless of what day of the week it falls on.

Property tax bills are issued from this office and payments are processed here. Bills are sent out twice a year and due in early July and early December (the property tax year runs from April 1 to March 31 of the following year). Any questions regarding property tax billing, payments and tax liens should be directed to our office.

Residents and property owners should feel free to consult the town website, www.granthamnh.net, for a variety of useful information regarding the town in general, and our office in particular. To navigate to our office's webpage, click on Departments and select Town Clerk/Tax Collector from the drop-down menu. Tax payments and/or tax bill copies, motor vehicle registration renewals, dog licenses and certified copies of Vital Records can be researched and paid online using the town website. Mailing addresses can also be updated electronically there and residents can sign up for the weekly town email newsletter by clicking on the "Subscribe to Grantham News & Events" link.

The office is open for your convenience 5 days a week, including Tuesday and Wednesday evenings until 7:00pm. Please note that we close from 12:00 (noon) until 1:00pm on Thursdays and Fridays.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Story, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Penny Palmer, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Revenues Collected from July 1, 2016—June 30, 2017	
MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES (3,991 reg.)	\$735,030.00
MUNICIPAL AGENT FEE	\$14,268.00
BOAT REGISTRATION & CLERK FEE (95 reg.)	\$530.00
RECLAMATION TRUST FUND	\$7,932.50
RECLAMATION ADMINISTRATION FEES	\$1,863.15
DOG LICENSES & FINES (708 licenses)	\$3,852.50
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$700.00
VITAL STATISTICS CERTIFIED COPIES	\$965.00
UCC FILINGS	\$675.00
OTHER REVENUES	\$550.05
HUNTING, FISHING & OHRV AGENT FEES (167)	\$406.00
TOTAL	\$766,772.20

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December 20, 2017

Kenneth B. Story, Town Clerk
Town of Grantham
300 Route 10 South
Grantham, NH 03753

RE: Official Audit Report, Town of Grantham

On December 19, 2017, 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

**Lisa
Lienhart**

Digitally signed by Lisa
Lienhart
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Vehicles, ou=Department of
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Lisa Lienhart, Administrator
Division of Motor Vehicles



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
GRANTHAM MUNICIPAL AGENT AUDIT
DECEMBER 19, 2017

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 December 19, 2017. 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

ACH	Automated Clearing House
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
VPN	Virtual Private Network

Introduction

Kenneth B. Story, 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.

Kenneth Story was certified to process registration/title transactions in September of 2015; he became the Municipal Agent for the Town of Grantham in March of 2016. The Town of Grantham accesses the MAAP system through certified software provided by Business Management Systems Inc through a VPN connection.

The Grantham Municipal Agent office is located inside a municipal building. Customers are assisted at two open window counters with their work stations below the counter. Each work station has a supply of decals and a small supply of plates. Excess decals and specialty plates are kept in a locked two drawer cabinet and the rest of the plate inventory is kept in a vault. The counter and office set up provides accurate security and privacy for documents, inventory and revenue entrusted to the Agent.

The Town of Grantham makes daily deposits into a Citizens Bank account according to the standard deposit requirements. A sampling of the Agent's deposit and reporting history revealed a general compliance with the 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).

Purpose and Scope of Review cont....

On December 19, 2017, 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 December 19, 2017 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 (September 15, 2016) to the current audit date (December 19, 2017).
3. Inventory receipts and damaged inventory documents from the date of the last audit (September 15, 2016) to the current audit date (December 19, 2017).

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 items entrusted to the Agent were accounted for.

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, 2015 to June 30, 2016 and July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
MSW (Trash)	951.93 T	986.52 T
C & D	334.2 T	333.16 T
Total Waste T & E	1,286.13 T; \$112,600 E	1,319.68 T; \$115,537.98 E
Aluminum	3.367 T; \$2,097.68 R	4.42 T; \$2,994.85 R
Metal	59.8215 T; \$5,017.20 R	53.0158 T; \$4,244.30 R
Tin Cans	3.991 T; \$229.81 R	5.6696 T; \$612.92 R
Cardboard	68.46 T; \$6,211.47 R	84.47 T; \$11,646.75 R
Glass	87.72 T; \$2,631.60 E	87.72 T; \$2631.60 E
Paper	95.09 T; \$381.46 R; \$9,255.75 E	105.05 T; \$1,695.73 R; \$11,050 E
Plastic	30.34 T; \$2,214.50 E	34.87 T; \$2,193.4 E
Electronic Waste	11.875 T; \$181.79 R; \$3,376.51 E	12.07 T; 76.96 R \$3,811.82 E
Tires	26.94 T; \$2,769 E	24.01 T; \$3,267.90 E
Brush	26.94 T; \$2,769 E	41.05
Total Recycling*	387.61 T; \$13,937.62 R; \$20,247.36 E	452.34 T; \$21,194.55 R; \$22,954.72 E
Tickets Collected	\$17,970	\$16,620
Recycling Percentage	24%	26%

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

We saw a small increase in waste, but an increase in the recycling which is good. Unfortunately the recycling market is still struggling so the financial side of it is quite stagnant, however we hope that it improves. Cardboard is one of our biggest commodities (thanks Amazon), but we still see a lot of it go in the hopper, let's try to improve on this.

If approved at the March 2018 Town Meeting, we will be holding the hazardous waste day in the summer of 2018. Once the date has been set we will notify everybody of the time and day. We would like to remind everybody that hang tags are required for every vehicle and need to be visible when entering the transfer station so we can identify you as being citizens of Grantham.

Safety reminders: There is a five mile per hour speed limit in the Transfer Station, it is not a raceway, so please, for the safety of the staff and citizens please drive slowly!

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

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher C. Scott, Supervisor

Buddy Sweeney, Hubert Reynolds, William Bullock, Ron Bendel and Chris Martin—Attendants



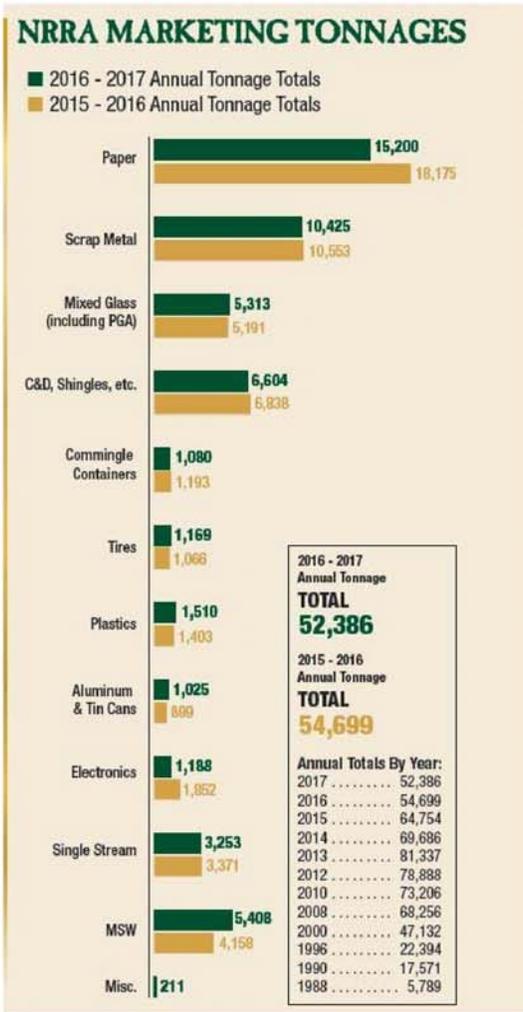
“Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions”

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 Telephone: (603) 736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150 Fax: (603) 736-4402
 E-mail: info@nrna.net Web Site: www.nrra.net

Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 37-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 Monthly “Full of Scrap” email news, monthly Marketing meetings, **members' only website**, workshops and Fall Facility Tours;
- **NRRA 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 52,000 tons in fiscal year 2016-2017!

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



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

Town of Grantham, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact your recycling has had on our 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 2017	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Electronics	22,436 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 2.9 houses for one year!
Paper	168 tons	Saved 2,852 trees!
Scrap Metal	61.7 gross tons	Conserved 172,719 pounds of iron ore!
Steel Cans	5.9 gross tons	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 345,280 hours!
Tires	27. tons	Conserved 17.8 barrels of oil!

Avoided Emissions:

Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

By recycling the materials above, you have avoided about **909 tons** of carbon dioxide emissions
 This is the equivalent of removing **193 passenger cars** from the road for an entire year

Zoning Board of Adjustment

This calendar year the Zoning Board of Adjustment had only three meetings. Two meetings were to consider requests for a variance to the Ordinance and both were granted. A third meeting was held later in the year to draft two minor proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance. At this writing, the proposed changes still must be presented to the Planning board, and if passed, entered as Warrant Articles for vote at the March 2018 town Meeting.

Two long term members of the Board retired this year and they will be sorely missed. Dick Mansfield, who has been with the Board since its inception in 1990 and Margery Bostrum who has been on the Board for over ten years.

Their loss means that the Board is presently down to five members and it is imperative that we bring new members on to the Board.

If anyone should have an interest, please call Town Hall or me directly.

Respectively submitted,
Conrad F. Frey

Town of Grantham



Community/Non-Profit Organizations

AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

The mission of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural landscape of the twelve towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Ragged/Lake Sunapee region. This area comprises the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot. Since our founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 143 projects and protected 11,263 acres – including fourteen working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

Quality of life is very important to the residents of New Hampshire and the state consistently ranks in the top ten as one of the best places to live in the United States. Contributing to this ranking are our clean water, scenic places and outdoor recreation. Open spaces also contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the State and our communities.

During 2017 Ausbon Sargent completed three projects representing just over 132 acres in the towns of Wilmot, Andover and Bradford.

Our website at Ausbon Sargent indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public. These trails, many of which cross privately owned land, are open to hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. The website includes trail maps and driving directions. For more information on these newly conserved properties; and all of Ausbon Sargent's protected properties, please visit our website at: www.ausbonsargent.org. Also, please be sure to "Like" us on Facebook!

Ausbon Sargent hosted numerous events in 2017 that are available for our membership and the public to enjoy. To kick off our 30th anniversary, we celebrated "Ausbon Sargent Day" on the Sargent Common in New London. Along with the children from the New London Elementary School, all were invited to come hear the story of Ausbon Sargent and anecdotes about the kind of man he was, enjoy the music of the Kearsarge Community Band, and get a sneak peek of the upcoming musicals from the New London Barn Players. The children sang the "Ausbon Sargent Song" and cake, cookies and popsicles were enjoyed by all. It was a great way to start our year of celebration!

In addition to our ever-popular fundraising events such as the Progressive Dinner in July and the Holiday Party in December, we held our 6th Annual Kearsarge Classic Bike Event in conjunction with the New Hampshire Cycling Club. The event was planned for early September and we had a record amount of participants. This bike event brings riders along routes that showcase Ausbon Sargent properties throughout the 12-town region in distances ranging from 25 to 108 miles.

We held workshops on conservation options for landowners and GIS mapping using smartphones. We collaborated with the UNH Cooperative Extension to hold a forest health woods walk with county foresters, and again to learn about the most recent Wildlife Action Plan. A collaboration with Colby-Sawyer College brought us a lecture on climate and our changing landscape by speaker Hank Art, Ph.D. The New Hampshire Land Trust Coalition featured Ausbon Sargent staff during a panel discussion on the topic of using drones for conservation. Hikes were offered in Sunapee, New London, Bradford and Sutton, and a farm tour of Star Lake Farm in Springfield was a popular event, attended by over 70 people. Our popular dragonfly walk was held in Webster on the Courser Property. As you can see, we offer many opportunities to get out to learn, hike, and get involved in our mission to protect the rural landscape of our region. We hope you will all come out at some point to take advantage of our workshops, or to experience the beauty of some of these special places for yourselves.

Ausbon Sargent is pleased to have over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments and clerical work. Each May we host a Volunteer Recognition Party in Sunapee as a thank you to these loyal and talented volunteers. We are grateful to have so many giving members who provide financial support and the countless hours which have assured our success. If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, there are many ways to get involved: you could become a conservation easement donor, support Ausbon Sargent financially, volunteer your time to the organization, encourage the town officials throughout our twelve town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation, and if you are not already, please consider becoming a member of Ausbon Sargent.

We look forward to partnering with the Grantham Conservation Commission in 2018 to co-host a dragonfly walk!

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Stanley

Executive Director



BLUE MOUNTAIN SNOWDUSTERS OUTDOOR RECREATION CLUB

PO BOX 428, GRANTHAM, NH 03753

Thanks to some cold temperatures and some early season snowfall, we begin our 44th year with some of the best early season riding we have seen in the last several years. With the typical snowfall we usually receive in February and March, the 2017/2018 riding season is shaping up to be one of the best the Blue Mountain Snow Dusters (BMSD) has seen in recent years.

Our all-volunteer club continues carrying out the suggestion of the 1974 town Select Board to “develop and maintain a recreational trail network in Grantham for the enjoyment of all at no cost to the taxpayer, and build community wherever possible.” Supported by tax deductible donations, NH State snowmobile registration funds, and membership fees, we use our large Tucker groomer and two Skandic snowmobiles to groom Grantham’s regionally recognized trail system.

The BMSD welcomes all folks who enjoy the many recreational opportunities our trail system provides. This year along with the Town of Grantham and North Country Musers, BMSD will co-host our first sled dog race scheduled for February 18th on our trail network. The race is slated to start and end at the Grantham Recreational Fields on Shed road. We hope this will be an event the entire community will be able to enjoy.

The BMSD wishes to thank our Board of Selectmen, Superintendent of Schools and Landowners for your enduring support of our efforts to develop and maintain a critical Grantham outdoor recreational asset and to build community in our great town. For more information about BMSD, and the latest trail map, please visit the BMSD web site at www.snowdusters.org.

Keith Grohbrugge, President; and the Officers and Directors of the Blue Mountain Snow Dusters, ORC.



The Kearsarge Area Council on Aging (COA) remains at the forefront of community-based service to active older adults through its role as a community convener, leader, and centerpiece of senior services through its optimistic and positive approach to aging. COA serves nine Kearsarge area communities with a unique brand of services, programs, and activities. We are very active in the nine towns we are honored to serve, doing so with pride, dignity, and respect.

Our vision is to continually develop and forge a community of seniors bound together by a high quality of life and healthy aging, as we continue to be the focal point for older adults who depend on us to support their independence, help them find their sense of purpose, and provide the opportunity for seniors to help seniors. We serve the communities of Danbury, Springfield, Wilmot, Sutton, Andover, Newbury, New London, Grantham, and Sunapee.

Toward that end, 2107 was another transformational year for us, as we wrote our strategic plan for meeting new and emerging needs of seniors who reside in the 329.3 square miles of largely rural communities served by COA. This three-year strategic plan is a comprehensive approach to achieving our vision and mission based on five major goals: enhance the use and functionality of the Chapin Senior Center property, meet the current and emerging needs of seniors, enhance and expand our relationships with volunteers, strengthen COA's marketing and development, and strengthen COA's operations.

In 2017, we enhanced our already-strong menu of program offerings, including providing community lunches, exciting field trips, thought-provoking lectures and book discussions, and therapeutic programs like meditation, chair massage, and Tai Chi. Our community-based programs are open to anyone of our 2,800 members, as we continually provide services and programs throughout nine towns and at our program hub, the Chapin Senior Center.

COA's metrics continued to be impressive in 2017. We provided more than 50 exciting and vibrant programs, services, and activities, evidenced by 16,428 participation units, on a lean budget of just over \$200,000. Hundreds of volunteers helped us leverage this budget, extending our impact through 6,452 volunteer hours. Volunteers provided guidance and support as trustees, front desk assistants, program coordinators, and data entry clerks. An example of our tremendous regional impact is our popular Transportation Program. Last year our volunteer drivers transported people throughout our region for 28,779 miles. These statistics don't include the hundreds of hours spent by front desk volunteers on call intake, driver scheduling, program management, and reporting.

COA is very grateful for its town partners, volunteers, members, donors, business sponsors, and staff in helping to provide support that hopefully leads to high levels of health and well-being for its senior neighbors.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelley Keith

Kelley Keith, Executive Director

Grantham Community Crisis Fund Report

In 1995, a group of concerned citizens banded together and formed the Grantham Community Crisis Fund. The mission statement of this committee was to respond quickly to the special needs of anyone in the larger community of Grantham. Over the next 20 years this non-profit organization has distributed aide to community members assisting with food, shelter, medical emergencies and special needs. Our ability to deal with requests in the most confidential manner has always been a priority with our members. The Crisis Fund is funded by donations only. These donations come from organizations in Grantham, private individuals, non-profit groups and fund raising groups.

We thank the very generous contributors for their responses. These gifts will enable us to assist requests in the foreseeable future. All of our members are available by phone for questions or requests.

Thank you again for the support for the Grantham Community Crisis Fund.

“Neighbors Helping Neighbors in Grantham”

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

Grantham Community Crisis Fund
PO Box 1192
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Grantham Historical Society Report

For the historical society, 2017 was a year of progress, mixed with a few challenges, and a significant loss.

One of our most difficult moments came in February with the sudden passing of long-time board member Dwight Wilder. Dwight was truly a gem – a learned historian, an enthusiastic teacher and a committed volunteer. He graced our organization in so many ways: with his talents, with his generosity, and with his knowledge. His loss was a shock to us all. To honor his memory and his devotion to local and American history, we are in consultation with staff at Lebanon High School to create a scholarship in his name. More to come on this effort as we work toward bringing it to realization, but we're most enthusiastic about getting this in place.

Replacing long-time GHS recording secretary Christina McKahan has proven to be hard. Christina's talents – a vital mixture of commitment to local history and an innate technology savvy – have been a challenge to replace. We have reached out to several other Grantham residents in the hope that we can bring in someone to grow into the recording secretary role, but as yet, without success. Yet, we remain hopeful, and ready to meet with anyone who might be interested. In the meantime, new board member Kelly Spiller has stepped into some of the education initiatives formerly spearheaded by Dwight, specifically developing a presentation for the sixth graders at Grantham Village School. With Dwight's passing, we are now also in the hunt for a new board member who can come in and contribute to achieving our mission.

The completion of our published history of the town moved forward with the finalization of the written content, and the identification and labeling of images to accompany the text. We are working with our publisher, J. C. Brayshaw, to layout and review completed chapters. We are hoping to have the entire book ready for publication in the spring of 2018.

Our programs last year included our annual meeting in May, which featured a potluck supper and presentation by New Hampshire author and storyteller Rebecca Rule. This was not Ms. Rule's first visit to Grantham, nor her first presentation for the historical society. This time she entertained us with her presentation, "Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting In New Hampshire." As usual, she told a number of funny stories from town meetings around the state; her casual, folksy style was both disarming and engaging. In October we hosted living history presenter Adam Boyce, a fiddler and storyteller who recreated well-known Vermont entertainer and recording artist Charles Ross Taggart. Adam assumed Taggart's character, speaking about his life growing up in Vermont and how he

became a traveling entertainer. Adam's presentation was funny and enjoyable. We hope to have him back again, perhaps just to play his fiddle for us and help us celebrate our love of American music.

The work of the collections committee continues, under the careful eye of Vice-President Rae Tober. As always, we remain deeply grateful for all the generous people who think highly enough of our organization to entrust us with the stewardship of these invaluable, irreplaceable artifacts from our town's history.

Allow me to thank Vice-President Rae Tober, Treasurer Kathi Osgood, and board members Nate Carey and Kelly Spiller. Their commitment to the health and direction of our organization are essential to its continued vitality. We will count on them in 2018 to keep us on track.

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

Finally, we would be remiss if we did not thank our membership for their support. Local history remains every bit as important as state and national history. If we do not value and preserve it, no one else will. We appreciate the fact that our members recognize this and share our dedication. We invite everyone, including current and future members, to stop by on Friday afternoons during our usual office hours (1:00-4:00pm) or by appointment. We are always happy to talk history, to offer assistance to researchers, and to take any opportunity to celebrate the history of Grantham.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Story
President



Lake Sunapee Region VNA & HOSPICE

Dear Friends:

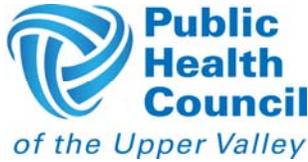
On behalf of the staff and volunteers of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, personal care and community health programs in Grantham. Our core Mission to provide care for individuals and families in home and community settings and enable people to stay in their homes for as long as possible has not wavered even as health care continues to change and become more complex. We are currently in the final stages of our 2017 Community Health Needs Assessment, a vital process that helps us identify and have an impact on some of the most pressing health care needs of our region. Our Board of Directors remains committed, to the best of our ability, to serve those in need regardless of insurance coverage or financial circumstances. I am proud to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2017, LSRVNA served Grantham residents in the following ways:

- Provided over 2,800 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to residents;
- Provided free or reduced fee in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to residents. Visits were also provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 60% of visit costs);
- Residents received visits through our hospice program and were able to live their life as they wished at home. Their families are provided 14 months of bereavement support and counseling after the death of their loved, at no cost;
- Residents utilized our foot care, flu and blood pressure clinics as well as parent child, bereavement and other support groups.

Our talented staff are dedicated 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 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.

Sincerely,

Jim Culhane
President & CEO



Thank you to the residents of Grantham for supporting the Public Health Council of the Upper Valley (PHC) in 2017.

As one of the State of New Hampshire's thirteen regional public health networks, PHC has quickly become the largest and broadest coalition of advocates on public health issues in the greater Upper Valley region. The PHC is a dynamic organization with the flexibility to forge solutions that respond to the needs of its grassroots members with backing from governmental, philanthropic, and health care institutions. Through regular meetings and ongoing initiatives, the PHC empowers organizations, professionals, and citizens, who together make our communities healthier and better places.

In 2017, PHC staff and partners developed working groups and strategies to address substance misuse, healthy eating, oral health, and other concerns for the region. The PHC supported a number of collaborative initiatives such as:

- Providing supportive housing for pregnant and parenting women in early recovery from opioid addiction.
- Expanding availability of summer meal programs for children in the region.
- Hosting a forum for school personnel and area service providers to better match student needs with resources available in the community.
- Piloting an oral health screening project in New Hampshire communities, modeled on the Ottauquechee Health Foundation's (OHF) Smiles Project. As a result, the OHF has agreed to expand their program to serve both sides of the Connecticut River.
- Hosting five flu clinics in rural communities across our region, providing over 1,100 free vaccines.

PHC greatly appreciates the support we receive from Grantham and will continue to work hard to meet your needs in 2018. For more information about PHC, visit us at www.uvpublichealth.org.

New London Hospital

In 2017, New London Hospital (NLH) continued to offer a broad array of local health care services, serving 15 towns, including Grantham.

We were pleased to welcome the following new providers to our medical staff: Nicholas Gorham, MD, Emergency Department; John Malcom, MD, Family Medicine; Ashley Warner, MD, Family Medicine; Rebecca Wood, MD, Internal Medicine. Services from Dartmouth-Hitchcock providers were added as needed to supplement the work of our NLH-employed providers including the addition of Lawrence Dagrosa, MD, Urology; James Dolan, MD, Podiatry (also seeing patients in Newport); Bert Fichman, MD, Pain Management; Timothy Lin, MD, Orthopaedics; Sarah Seo, MD, Otolaryngology. And three general surgeons: Michael Paul, MD, Herman Sigbjarnarson, MD and Lauren Wilson, MD. In addition, we welcomed two new students from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine to complete their third-year of clinical training at NLH and our Newport Health Center (NHC).

These appointments and recognitions were received by our organization and its leaders in 2017:

- Catherine Bardier, NLH Wellness and Community Health Director was appointed to serve on the Governor's Council on Physical Activity and Health known as NH Moves.
- For a second consecutive year, NLH achieved Gold level recognition from the American Heart Association for taking significant steps to build a culture of health in the workplace.
- The Radiology department was re-designated a Diagnostic Imaging Center of Excellence™ (DICOE) by the American College of Radiology (ACR). NLH remains the only hospital in New Hampshire and one of 296 facilities in the country to achieve the DICOE. This distinction was first awarded to NLH in 2014.
- The Baker Memorial Laboratory at NLH achieved reaccreditation from the College of American Pathologists. The accreditation programs are based on rigorous accreditation requirements that help laboratories achieve the highest standards of excellence, and positively impact patient care.
- New London Hospital and the community of New London were recognized for attaining the "NH HeartSafe Community" status by the New Hampshire Department of Safety and the American Heart Association.
- NLH welcomed Shari Bostwick to her new role as Vice President of Human Resources, Lisa Cohen, CPA, to her new role as Chief Financial Officer, and Barbara Mahar to her new role as Vice President of the New London Hospital Medical Group.

We again hosted many community and fundraising events, most notably:

- The 93rd annual Hospital Days celebration brought nearly a full week of events to New London for the enjoyment of all in our region, concluding with the 34th annual Triathlon.
- Our 14th Annual Golf Invitational was held at Montcalm Golf Club in Enfield, raising more than \$30,000 to support the NLH mission to deliver high quality, compassionate care to thousands of patients in our communities.
- We held our 12th Annual Benefit fundraiser at the Newport Opera House raising funds in support of lifesaving emergency medical equipment for both NLH and NHC.
- The fourth annual John H. Ohler, MD Community Health Lecture was presented at Colby-Sawyer College by H. Gilbert Welch MD, MPH Professor of Medicine for the

Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy & Clinical Practice, who spoke on *Less Medicine, More Health - 7 Assumptions that Drive too much Medical Care*.

Other significant happenings throughout the year included:

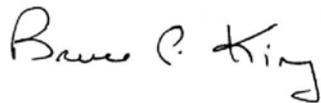
- Celebrating the one year anniversary of the opening of the *new* Newport Health Center.
- NLH and members of the community came together for the grand opening of the Hospital Community Trail, a one-mile trail with entrances connected to the hospital parking lot.
- NLH's Wellness Connection was awarded sunscreen dispensers from the Melanoma Foundation of New England.
- The first *Healthy Weight and Wellness* series began at NHC. During the year five sessions were held and 75 residents from 17 towns, including Grantham, benefited from this free program.
- Through a generous donation from the Sparks Family of New London, NLH acquired a Baldwin Grand Piano allowing the hospital to create a performing arts program to further promote health and well-being.

We concluded fiscal year 2017 with an operating loss, partially offset by charitable gifts and investment income.

As 2017 came to a close, we found ourselves saying farewell to two physicians as they retired after more than eight decades of combined service. Dr. Jack Kirk and Dr. Stephen Jordan have played a vital role in the advancement of health care delivery and have set a new standard for younger physicians to reach for as they care for future generations. We will be honoring these beloved doctors in the spring of 2018 with a farewell celebration.

We also look forward to commemorating New London Hospital's centennial anniversary in 2018 and celebrating all who have made the past 100 years possible. Thank you to town residents, families and guests who chose to receive care from us in 2017, as well as volunteers, generous donors, dedicated staff, and all others from Grantham who supported our mission in the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce P. King
President and CEO, New London Hospital



2017 City / Town Report

* Direct Assistance to Residents: \$28,515.62

** Economic Impact: \$71,289.05

1.0% of Direct Assistance: \$500.00

*** Total Number of Households Served: 46

*** Total Number of Residents Served: 143

Average Benefit Per Household: \$619.90

Average Benefit per Resident: \$199.41

* 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.

2017 City / Town Report - Program Summaries

Child Care / Education		\$0.00
Head Start		\$0.00
Nutrition / Health		\$2,444.64
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling		\$611.16
Commodity Supplemental Food		\$0.00
Emergency Food Assistance		\$0.00
Women's, Infant, Children (WIC)		\$1,833.48
Family Services		\$0.00
Adult disadvantaged		\$0.00
Work Experience		\$0.00
Workplace Success Program		\$0.00
Adult Dislocated		\$0.00
Substance Use Prevention		\$0.00
MADAC - Monadnock Alcohol & Drug Abuse Coalition		\$0.00
CAPP - Coordinated Access Point Program		\$0.00
ChAARI - Cheshire Cty Addiction Assistance Recovery Initiative		\$0.00
Energy		\$23,229.00
Case Management		\$50.00
Fuel assistance		\$15,495.00
Senior Energy Assistance		\$0.00
Electric Assistance Program		\$7,684.00
Weatherization		\$0.00
Utility Programs		\$400.00
Core		\$0.00
Neighbor Helping Neighbor		\$400.00
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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Housing Stabilization Services	\$2,400.00
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
Continuum of Care Rapid Re-Housing Program	\$0.00
Emergency Housing Program	\$2,400.00
Homeless Housing Access Revolving Loan Fund	\$0.00
Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)	\$0.00
Second Chance for Success	\$0.00
Foreclosure Intervention Counseling Program	\$0.00
Housing Stabilization Counseling	\$0.00
Resident Services	\$0.00
ESG - Cheshire County	\$0.00
ESG - Sullivan County	\$0.00

2017 City / Town - Program Details

Child Care / Education		\$0.00
Head Start		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Children Enrolled	0	
Cost Per Child	\$13,137	
Nutrition / Health		\$2,444.64
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling		\$611.16
Number of Consumers Enrolled	1	
Value of Monthly Food Package	\$50.93	
Commodity Supplemental Food		\$0.00
Number of Elderly Individuals Enrolled	0	
Value of Monthly Food Package	\$19.22	
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)		\$1,833.48
Number of Households Enrolled	3	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	3	
Number of Women Enrolled	0	
Number of Children Enrolled	3	
Monthly Cost of Women's Food Package	\$50.93	
Monthly Cost of Children's Food Package	\$50.93	
Family Services		\$0.00
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		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Direct Service Amount	\$0.00	

2017 City / Town - Program Details

Substance Use Prevention		\$0.00
MADAC - Monadnock Alcohol & Drug Abuse Coalition		\$0.00
Number of Youth Engaged in Avoiding Risk Taking Behavior	0	
Number of Adults Engaged in MADAC Programming	0	
Value of Community Messaging - Media - Promotions	\$0.00	
CAPP - Coordinated Access Point Program		\$0.00
Number of Participants Enrolled	0	
Number of Continuous Recovery Monitoring Contacts (CRM)	0	
Value of CRM	\$0.00	
ChAARI - Cheshire Cty Addiction Assistance Recovery Initiative		\$0.00
Number of Participants Engaged	0	
Number of Volunteer Hours	0	
Value of Volunteer Hours	\$0.00	
Energy		\$23,229.00
Case Management		\$50.00
Number of Households Enrolled	2	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	4	
Number of Elderly	0	
Value of Service	\$25.00	
Fuel assistance		\$15,495.00
Number of Households Enrolled	19	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	56	
Number of Households Applied	20	
Number of Elderly Households Enrolled	5	
Number of Elderly Enrolled	7	
Average Household Benefit	\$815.53	
Senior Energy Assistance		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Annual Benefit	\$270.00	
Electric Assistance Program		\$7,684.00
Number of Households Served	17	
Number of Consumers Served	62	
Annual Benefit	7,684	
Weatherization		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Consumers Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	

2017 City / Town - Program Details

Utility Programs		\$400.00
Core		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Consumers Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Neighbor Helping Neighbor		\$400.00
Number of Households Enrolled	2	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	5	
Average Benefit	\$200.00	
Transportation		
Transit/Bus Program		
Number of Passengers	0	
Number of One-Way Rides	0	
Value of Rides Provided	\$0.00	
Volunteer Driver Program		
Number of Passengers	2	
Number of One-Way Rides	4	
Value of Rides Provided	\$41.98	
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	
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	\$0.00	
Other Properties		

Commercial Properties

Assessed Value \$0.00

2017 City / Town - Program Details

Housing Stabilization Services		
Emergency Housing Program		\$2,400.00
Number of Households Enrolled	1	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	6	
Value to Consumers	\$2,400.00	
Homeless Housing Access Revolving Loan Fund		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	0	
Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumer	\$0.00	
Second Chance for Success		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumer	\$0.00	
Foreclosure Intervention Counseling Program		\$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	
Housing Stabilization Counseling		\$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	
Resident Services		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Case Management, Referral, Meeting Hours	0	
Value of Hours	\$0.00	
ESG - Cheshire County		\$0.00
Number of Households	0	
Number of Participants	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
ESG - Sullivan County		\$0.00
Number of Households	0	
Number of Participants	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	



Southwestern Community Services

Since 1965, people helping people in Cheshire and Sullivan counties

Direct Assistance Rate	1.0%
Maximum Request	\$ 10,000
Minimum Request	\$ 500

Town Summary Report 2017

Town	Number of Households Served	Units of Service Provided	Amount of Direct Assistance*	1.0% of Direct Assistance	Economic Impact**	Average Savings/ Household	Percentage of the Average
Acworth	85	256	\$67,650	\$677	\$169,126	\$796	77%
Alstead	226	458	\$260,127	\$2,601	\$650,317	\$1,151	111%
Charlestown	735	3067	\$692,046	\$6,920	\$1,730,114	\$942	91%
Chesterfield	151	904	\$144,750	\$1,448	\$361,875	\$959	93%
Claremont	2199	14975	\$2,384,918	\$10,000	\$5,962,294	\$1,085	105%
Cornish	57	88	\$78,550	\$786	\$196,376	\$1,378	133%
Croydon	56	140	\$36,635	\$500	\$91,586	\$654	63%
Dublin	71	202	\$44,130	\$500	\$110,326	\$622	60%
Fitzwilliam	202	841	\$174,294	\$1,743	\$435,736	\$863	83%
Gilsum	70	225	\$80,726	\$807	\$201,816	\$1,153	111%
Goshen	104	299	\$97,942	\$979	\$244,855	\$942	91%
Grantham	46	143	\$28,516	\$500	\$71,289	\$620	60%
Harrisville	40	167	\$85,730	\$857	\$214,325	\$2,143	207%
Hinsdale	548	1,234	\$589,318	\$5,893	\$1,473,294	\$1,075	104%
Jaffrey	499	1,058	\$593,135	\$5,931	\$1,482,839	\$1,189	115%
Keene	2,439	9,691	\$2,920,534	\$10,000	\$7,301,335	\$1,197	116%
Langdon	49	103	\$43,820	\$500	\$109,550	\$894	86%
Lempster	131	285	\$100,157	\$1,002	\$250,394	\$765	74%
Marlborough	244	732	\$228,248	\$2,282	\$570,621	\$935	90%
Marlow	61	145	\$62,401	\$624	\$156,001	\$1,023	99%
Nelson	46	178	\$35,768	\$500	\$89,419	\$778	75%
Newport	1,160	5,409	\$1,252,789	\$10,000	\$3,131,973	\$1,080	104%
Plainfield	57	116	\$35,217	\$500	\$88,043	\$618	60%
Richmond	82	393	\$153,242	\$1,532	\$383,105	\$1,869	181%
Rindge	344	759	\$295,578	\$2,956	\$738,945	\$859	83%
Roxbury	18	55	\$23,873	\$500	\$59,684	\$1,326	128%
Springfield	78	167	\$59,602	\$596	\$149,005	\$764	74%
Stoddard	88	343	\$76,534	\$765	\$191,335	\$870	84%
Sullivan	71	252	\$101,510	\$1,015	\$253,774	\$1,430	138%
Sunapee	117	228	\$122,755	\$1,228	\$306,888	\$1,049	101%
Surry	52	207	\$32,823	\$500	\$82,059	\$631	61%
Swanzey	796	2,567	\$721,681	\$7,217	\$1,804,203	\$907	88%
Troy	328	1,093	\$244,772	\$2,448	\$611,930	\$746	72%
Unity	120	263	\$82,593	\$826	\$206,482	\$688	66%
Walpole	237	521	\$175,928	\$1,759	\$439,819	\$742	72%
Washington	95	245	\$60,359	\$604	\$150,897	\$635	61%
Westmoreland	60	405	\$59,849	\$598	\$149,624	\$997	96%
Winchester	981	2,341	\$944,124	\$9,441	\$2,360,310	\$962	93%
Grand Total:	12,743	50,555	\$13,192,625	\$97,536	\$32,981,563	\$1,035	

* 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



UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Serving 27 communities in Grafton, Sullivan and Merrimack Counties since 1963, the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) has been providing professional planning assistance to municipal boards, along with inter-municipal planning, liaison between local and state/federal agencies, and assistance on development, public health, and environmental issues.

In 2017 UVLSRPC welcomed new Executive Director Steven Schneider, and said goodbye to Interim Director Jonathan Edwards. We appreciated his contributions, and we do miss him. Highlights of our work and accomplishments in 2017 include:

- Responded to more than 150 requests from our towns and cities for technical assistance.
- Provided Household Hazardous Waste Collections that served approximately 1,000 households.
- Worked with Sullivan County on developing an Economic Development Profile
- Established a regional Brownfields identification, assessment, and remediation planning program.
- Trained local staff about environmentally responsible transfer station practices.
- Conducted eleven school chemical site evaluations.
- Assisted school districts with green cleaning practices
- Assisted communities in updating their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans and Local Emergency Operations Plans.
- Worked on and help develop the 2019-2028 Ten-Year Transportation Improvement Plan.
- Helped to identify transit and paratransit issues in Sullivan County, to restore needed mobility services, and to coordinate planning for improved public and human services transportation.
- Conducted more than 110 traffic counts across the region.
- Helped Claremont with digitizing their stormwater system and created a distinct GIS layer
- Assisted Lebanon, Hanover, and Advance Transit with public transit signal prioritization analysis.
- Assisted Enfield Shaker Village and Lake Sunapee Scenic Byway committees.
- Provided Circuit Rider planning staff assistance to Orford, Springfield, Claremont, Wilmot, and New London.
- Assisted on the Wilmot Master Plan with the completion of the Community Survey.
- Assisted on the Unity Master Plan
- Helped Planning Boards to evaluate Projects of Regional Impact.
- Provided administrative and staffing assistance to the Connecticut River Joint Commissions.

Our goals for 2018 include developing a comprehensive regional housing needs assessment, facilitate workforce development training, help our region become age-friendly, and establish a non-profit to support regional planning efforts.

Please contact us at (603) 448-1680 or sschneider@uvlsrc.org, to share your thoughts and suggestions. It is a pleasure to serve the municipalities of this region. Thank you for your support over the decades.

Steven Schneider



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Veterans Affairs Medical Center
215 North Main Street
White River Junction, VT 05009
866-687-8387 (Toll Free in New England)
802-295-9363 (Commercial)

January 29, 2018

Dear Veteran,

The White River Junction VA Medical Center is attempting to contact all Veterans in our catchment area of Vermont and New Hampshire who are not enrolled or are enrolled and no longer utilizing our services. If you currently receive our services, please pass this note on to a Veteran who may benefit.

We offer a wide variety of services including assistance to Veterans. We are able to help those who are homeless or unemployed, and also offer high quality healthcare for both primary care and a variety of specialty care options. We have a robust mental health department offering one-on-one counseling, peer support, group sessions, and more. There is a designated treatment area for our women Veterans at the Women’s Comprehensive Care Clinic; a safe space.

The White River Junction VA Medical Center has seven community based outpatient clinics. They are located in Bennington, Rutland, Brattleboro, Newport and Burlington, Vermont; in New Hampshire we offer services in Keene and Littleton. We are here to serve all Veterans! Please do not hesitate to contact us, if for no other reason than to register/enroll with us, in case of future need.

Our eligibility office in White River Junction can be reached at 802-295-9363, extension 5118. A single form - VA form 10-10EZ – and a copy of the DD214 is all that is needed.

The American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars have full time Service Officers that are knowledgeable about our programs. These independent organizations serve all Veterans, including nonmembers, in processing disability and pension claims. They can be reached in White River Junction at:

American Legion	802-296-5166
Disabled American	802-296-5167
Veterans of Foreign Wars	802-296-5168

Thank you for your service to our nation. On behalf of the White River Junction VA Medical Center team, we look forward to serving you.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Mulcahy
Acting Medical Center Director

Bennington CBOC
186 North Street
Bennington, VT 05201
(802) 440-3300

Brattleboro CBOC
71 GSP Drive
Brattleboro, VT 05301
(802) 251-2200

Burlington CBOC
128 Lakeside Avenue
Burlington, VT 05401
(802) 657-7000

Littleton CBOC
264 Cottage Street
Littleton, NH 03561
(603) 575-6701

Rutland CBOC
232 West St
Rutland, VT 05701
(802) 772-2300

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VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH

Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Grantham, NH

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

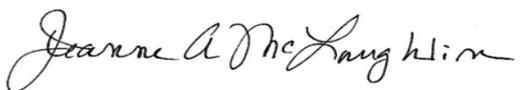
Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 VNH made 1,418 homecare visits to 31 Grantham residents. This included approximately \$25,792 in unreimbursed care to Grantham residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 611 home visits to 6 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Long-Term Care:** 799 home visits to 23 residents with chronic medical problems who need extended care in the home to avoid admission to a nursing home.
- **Hospice Services:** 8 home visits to 2 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Grantham's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)

Annual Report to the Town of Grantham
FY 2017 (7/1/16-6/30/17)

West Central Behavioral Health (WCBH) was pleased to provide mental and behavioral health services for those in need in Grantham during the last fiscal year. Services were provided for 40 Grantham residents, including 18 children. We were grateful to receive \$3,500 in funding from the Town of Grantham to help support the delivery of these services.

By supporting access to mental health care for all, the Town of Grantham is investing in the overall health and safety of the community. Mental health affects every facet of a community's welfare, from employment and education to health and housing. Mental health care enables individuals to reach and maintain the best possible quality of life, and to contribute to their fullest at home, in the workforce, and as a member of the community.

During the past fiscal year, WCBH provided individual and group therapy, counseling, medication management, and case management for people in the Upper Valley and in Sullivan County, serving close to 2,500 individuals of all ages, and providing close to \$500,000 in unreimbursed charitable care. As the state-designated community mental health center for the region, WCBH ensures that quality, affordable mental health care is accessible for all, providing care regardless of ability to pay.

Services delivered at WCBH's Outpatient Clinics in Lebanon, Newport and Claremont and in the community included:

- Adult Outpatient Programs, providing mental health services for individuals coping with anxiety, adjustment during times of crisis (such as bereavement, divorce, or job loss), trauma, and other challenges;
- Child and Family Programs, providing counseling, therapy, and case management for children and families;
- Emergency Services, through a 24-hour crisis hotline, emergency response, and in collaboration with the area's network of first responders (police, fire, hospitals).
- Enhanced Care and Community Support Programs, serving those with chronic, severe, and severe and persistent mental illness; and
- Additional programs including: Mental Health First Aid; Assertive Community Treatment; and Supported Employment.

Thank you to the residents of Grantham for your generous and long-standing support.

Suellen Griffin, MSN, MHCDS
President & CEO

Town of Grantham



Miscellaneous

TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 16, 2017

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Moderator Susanna Schweizer introduced herself and called the 241st Annual Town Meeting to order at 5:05pm. She asked those present to turn off their cell phones or set them to 'vibrate.' The assembly was lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by Luc Gauvin; the colors were presented by Boy Scout Troop #71 and Cub Scout Pack #276. The Moderator thanked them.

The Moderator reminded those residents in attendance to sit within the posts in the room so that they will be allowed to vote on all articles. Non-voters were instructed to sit behind the police tape on the east side of the room. She also reminded them to be sure to pick up their yes/no paper ballots if they have not already, as those will be necessary for any secret ballot votes. Emergency exits and rest rooms were identified.

The Moderator welcomed new residents to Grantham. She also advised residents to pick up a copy of the Town Report at the rear of the room, as a copy of the warrant is included within the report.

On page 11, sixth paragraph, the Moderator noted the Selectboard's dedication of the town report. She noted that this year's dedication is to "this wonderful place we call home, Grantham." She then recognized Selectman Sheridan Brown to deliver the remarks relative to this dedication. Selectman Brown highlighted the recent work on the Brookside Park and how volunteers contributed to the work there, and at such other locations as the library, and he also noted the work of other volunteer organizations within the town. He made specific mention of the upcoming 250th anniversary celebration and how this will provide an opportunity for those volunteer organizations to showcase their contributions to our town. He noted that those volunteer activities compose one of the major ways in which the town shines. He finished by saying that the Selectboard wanted to be sure to recognize those volunteers, a number of whom are working at town meeting itself. He added that there remain many ways in which new volunteers can help out and give back in ways that will be meaningful to them and to the community.

The Moderator stated that the meeting having been properly warned as it is certified on page 70 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 241st Annual Meeting of the Town of Grantham officially opened for business. Polls were opened at 10:00am for ballot voting and close at 7:00pm. Articles 1-3 appear on the ballot and will be voted on by ballot. Ballots are available from the Supervisors of the Checklist at the rear of the room.

The Moderator introduced Selectmen Constance Jones, Sheridan Brown and G. Warren Kimball; Town Administrator Melissa White; Town Clerk/Tax Collector Ken Story; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Penny Palmer; and the Supervisors of the Checklist Donna Stamper and Sandra Noordsy (she noted that the third Supervisor, Suzanne Goldman, was at the polls earlier in the day). She also introduced the Assistant Moderator, Lorie McClory. The complete list of town officers is on pages 8-10 of the Town Report.

The Moderator then also recognized people who had recently retired from their roles with the town. Charlie McCarthy retired from the Planning Board and Chris Morris retired as Town Treasurer. She asked for a round of applause.

The Moderator then noted that state law vests the Moderator with the authority to establish rules of procedure, and also vests the meeting with the power to overrule the Moderator's rules or rulings; in other words, if the Moderator makes a ruling and anyone present is unhappy with that decision, that decision can be challenged. The Moderator announced that she would not read the rules unless this was requested. She added that Rules #2, 4, 6, 8 and 9 are prescribed by state law and RSAs 40:7, 40:10, 40:4-a and 40:4-b. Rule 10 was specifically put in place to accommodate this meeting with respect to the barriers and the chain links.

The Moderator then announced that there were two administrative motions she needed before proceeding. She asked for a motion to adopt the rules of the meeting and she asked the Clerk to make those rules a permanent part of the meeting. David Wood of 103 Road Round The Lake moved and Rae Tober of 27 Clearwater Drive seconded. The Moderator then called for a voice vote.

Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

The Moderator then asked for a motion to allow non-resident town officers and consultants to address the meeting as needed. Marjorie Bostrom of 2 Pioneer Point moved and Jackie Guillette of 21 Wintercroft Circle seconded. The Moderator then called for a voice vote.

Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

2017 Town Meeting Rules (listed on page 68 of the Town Report)

1. *The Moderator will use the following general rules of procedure, the main purpose of which are to keep the meeting moving and not get bogged down in procedural quagmires.*
2. *Non-voters who are not officers of the town or consultants to the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it. A simple majority is required.*
3. *The Moderator will consider each Article as follows:*
 - A. *The Moderator will announce the Article number, and the text of the Article will be displayed on the overhead screen or will be otherwise made available at the Meeting. The Moderator need not read the full text of the Article.*
 - B. *The Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectman or the petitioner (if a petitioned Article) to move the adoption of the Article.*
 - C. *If the Motion is seconded, the Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectmen or the petitioner to explain the Article.*
 - D. *The Meeting will debate and then vote on the Article.*
4. *ALL voters will direct their remarks to the Moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will go the microphone, address the Moderator by first identifying him or herself and providing his or her street address. The microphone is necessary for accurate recording of the meeting.*
 - A. *If a voter is unable to reach one of the stand-up microphones, the voter should raise*

his/her hand and one of the hand-held microphones will be provided.

- B. In order for everyone to have the opportunity to speak, speakers will be limited to three minutes (with the exception of initial presentations on warrant articles).*
 - C. No one will be recognized to speak a second time until everyone who wishes to speak a first time has had the opportunity.*
 - D. If you agree with someone, it is OK to say that instead of repeating something that has already been said.*
 - E. The microphone will also be used by people wanting to “Call (or Move) the question.” Anyone shouting it out from his or her seat will not be recognized. This will avoid preempting people who are already in line to speak to an issue.*
 - F. A motion to “Call the question” requires a 2/3 vote. If this motion is passed all voters standing at a microphone or holding a microphone and anyone seated at the head table who has previously told the Moderator that he/she wishes to speak on the Motion will be allowed to speak.*
 - G. The Moderator shall have the right to refuse to recognize a Motion to Call (or Move) the question if, in the Moderator’s opinion, the voters have not yet had an adequate opportunity to discuss an issue.*
- 5. All questions and comments should be addressed to the Moderator. The Moderator will choose who responds to the questions.*
- 6. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared and may only be made by a voter who voted on the prevailing side of the vote to be reconsidered.*
- A. Mandatory Restriction: A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. In accordance with RSA 33:8-a, if a motion to reconsider a ballot vote on a bond issue of over \$ 100,000 passes, the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened Meeting that is at least seven (7) days after the original vote. With respect to bond votes, the restrictions on reconsideration automatically apply without the need for the Meeting to vote for it.*
 - B. Optional Restriction: Voters may postpone reconsideration of any Article at this Meeting by voting to restrict reconsideration of the Article in accordance with RSA 40:10. If the Meeting passes such a motion, then the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened meeting held at least seven (7) days after the date of the original vote.*
- 7. The Moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion. All five*

voters must be present and identified.

8. *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.*
9. *All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the Moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.*
10. *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.*
11. *The Moderator will not accept negative motions; that is, motions which require a "no" vote to vote in the affirmative such as "I move that we not adopt the budget."*
12. *If the Meeting is not finished at 11:00 pm, the Moderator may recess the Meeting to a future date.*

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
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Trustee of Dunbar Free Library	3 years
Treasurer	3 years

ARTICLE 2 – Zoning Change

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Remove “Cluster Residential Developments” as a permitted use in Rural Residential District II.

Rationale: This change approved at the 2006 Town Meeting was inadvertently omitted during the retyping of the Zoning Ordinance.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Passed by Official Ballot – Yes 143; No 23

ARTICLE 3 – Zoning Change

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Add a new article to the Zoning Ordinance permitting attached dwelling units to single family dwellings by special exception as mandated by New Hampshire State Statute RSA 674:71-73.

Rationale: The general purpose of an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is to offer the opportunity for low cost rental housing for a sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation living area to be attached to single family dwellings. An ADU would be no larger than 40% of a single family dwelling up to a maximum of 1,000 square feet and will have its own exterior entrance and an interior door to the principal residence. No more than two bedrooms or four occupants are permitted in an ADU. An ADU shall be owned only by the owner of the single family dwelling and said owner shall occupy either the main dwelling or the ADU. The ADU shall be architecturally compatible with the single family dwelling to which it is attached and comply with New Hampshire State well and septic requirements, building codes and zoning requirements for setbacks for height and lot coverage.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Passed by Official Ballot – Yes 141; No 24

The Moderator then called upon Selectman Brown to review certain terms that will be used in the upcoming discussion to be sure those present understood them. He noted that some questions arose at the recent budget hearing and that the Selectboard thought it might be helpful to introduce people to these definitions. He referred to the slide

that indicated the specific terms and proceeded to explain them, the goal of which was to be clear about what is meant by these terms and to be sure no one feel as if they are being misled.

Town Administrator White then reviewed the budget summary slides, including proposed increases over the prior year. She concluded that the increases included in the proposed budget will increase the tax rate by approximately fifteen cents and presented the illustration that a property assessed at \$250,000 would pay approximately \$37.50 more in property taxes.

ARTICLE 4 - Shall the town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:70, which provide for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with a wood-heating energy system (as defined in RSA 72:69) intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying wood-heating energy system equipment under these statutes.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Brown moved; Selectman Jones seconded. The Moderator then opened the floor for discussion. She recognized Mark Lewis of 3 Corbin Court. He asked about the rationale behind this article and noted that given all the pollutants created by wood-burning heating systems, he wondered why we're giving this special break to those who heat with wood. The Moderator recognized Selectman Brown to answer the question. Selectman Brown then asked if anyone from the Energy Committee was present who could speak to this question. Selectman Brown noted all the work done by the Energy Committee on researching these systems and also organizing a recent presentation about these systems. He added that the Energy Committee did not try to include every available system and focused upon the newer, higher efficiency systems. The state's interest in approving these systems is to help reduce emissions via these newer systems but it's also a recognition of how much we're paying for energy in this state and a recognition of the state's limited capacity for both producing and transmitting energy. There are multiple goals at work here and emissions remain a concern, but the goal is to promote the higher efficiency systems to help address that. One of the main concerns is not to penalize those who invest in these systems by raising assessments and so tax rates. Last year we did adopt the provisions dealing with solar and wind for on-site generation; at that time there was not enough information on wood-burning systems. The Energy Committee has worked since then to explore what are really the best systems to be included. Here we're really dealing only with a system that will be connected via a series of pipes and ducts and will have more components to it than those we see outdoors. So, it won't cover everything, such as wood stoves, but it really is intended to cover the higher efficiency systems. He then recognized Jenna Chenevert of 16 Wildwood Drive from the Energy Committee, who noted that a few weeks before the Energy Committee hosted a workshop on these new wood-burning systems relative to whole house furnaces. The new systems function the same way as oil or propane systems, using the same ductwork, vents, etc. So, rather than using fossil fuels, these systems use a high-efficiency pellet that is produced locally, helping to sustain the local economy, and the emissions are actually less than fossil fuels. There is also an incentive for the homeowner for installation, so it's good for the local economy. It will keep your house 'toasty warm' and you can supplement a traditional heating system with this system. If you're a new home builder, you can install one of these or install it in conjunction with an existing system. There is no exterior furnace, like some systems we've seen with lots of exterior trash, etc. This entire system is inside the home; the pellets are fed into exterior storage similar to a propane tank and automatically fed into your furnace with very little mess. Once or twice a month there may be a little dust, but that's it. The Energy Committee feels good about bringing this option forward and believes that last year it was not well-presented and thus it failed. Robert Lewis of 304 Splitrock Road asked about the average cost of such an installed system. Chenoweth replied that the installed price would depend on the size of the house, and added that the Public Utilities Commission rebate would cover up to 40% of the installation cost of the system up to a maximum of \$10,000 for residential, high-efficiency, fuel-fed wood pellet central heating boilers and furnaces that become operational, including designed, installed and certified on or after July 9, 2016. So, if you're installing a unit that costs \$10,000 you get a 40% rebate. Robert MacNeil of 78 Howe Hill Road asked if this system was only for residential or was it for all taxpayers. Selectman Brown replied that it applied to all taxpayers and was not restricted to residential use. He added that the one

restriction is that the energy produced be used on-site and is not available for sale to others. He confirmed that it is available for use within a business. Brian Sullivan of Olde Farms Road commented that he attended the Energy Committee's presentation on these systems and commended them on a well put-together program and added that he strongly supported this article. He thinks people have an image of a wood fire with smoke coming out; with this system, it only fires up when your house requires heat. It burns at a very high temperature, and when it does there is very little smoke and very little waste. It's a high-efficiency, low pollution system and he strongly supports this. The Moderator then asked if there were any other comments or questions; hearing none, she called for a voice vote.

Article 4 Passed by Majority Voice Vote

ARTICLE 5 – Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$500, the same amount as the optional veterans' tax credit voted by the town under RSA 72:28.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Jones spoke to the article. She noted that this credit was adopted by the state legislature in 2016 and now each town has the opportunity to adopt it. Honorably discharged veterans and qualifying members of the National Guard can receive the credit. The Moderator then asked if there were any other comments or questions; hearing none, she called for a voice vote.

Article 5 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 6 – Shall the town modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$44,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$66,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$82,500. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$40,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$80,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$100,000 or, if married, combined net assets not in excess of \$200,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Kimball moved the article and Selectman Brown seconded. Kimball spoke to the article and said it's certainly something that affects a few people and that the Selectboard believes they deserve this kind of treatment. There was a difficulty before for married people who didn't seem to benefit and the Selectboard is glad this has finally been cleared up. The Moderator then called for any comments or questions. David Wood of 103 Road Round The Lake stated that he fully supported the intent of this warrant article but raised a concern about the phrasing. He was concerned that the language could give the impression that property taxes would be reduced by \$44,000 rather than the assessment being reduced by that amount. Selectman Brown noted that this has already been adopted in town but what this article does is indexes for inflation and brings that amount up to what is reasonable for 2012. Selectman Jones corrected that to indicate that the numbers were being brought current through 2016. Selectman Brown added that the language being used comes from the state's Department of Revenue Administration (DRA); they put out the language for towns to use. Towns can deviate from that language and get that approved, but the goal was to do it at town meeting. If the language gets changed at the budget hearing then there remains time to go back to DRA to get their approval, but he recommended sticking

with their language. All the article seeks to do is change the dollar amounts of the exemption. Sarah Fogg of 22 Draper Mill Road said that she believed Selectman Brown did not answer the question and clarified what she thought was being asked. Selectman Kimball responded that the exemption is on the assessment. The Moderator asked Town Administrator White to show the slide that indicated that the exemption was to be applied to the assessed value. Selectman Jones added that this is the same language used when the exemption was first adopted in 1996. The Moderator then asked if there were any other questions; hearing none, she called for a voice vote.

Article 6 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 7 – General Government

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million three hundred sixty-four thousand, six hundred seventy-eight dollars (**\$1,364,678**) 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 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Selectmen’s Office	\$209,088	\$232,950	\$23,862
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$115,109	\$116,788	\$1,679
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$7,400	\$6,910	(490)
Financial Administration	\$40,200	\$40,200	\$0
Tax Maps/Assessing	\$43,000	\$43,000	\$0
Legal	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0
Personnel Administration	\$605,855	\$694,990	\$89,135
Planning Board	\$7,850	\$4,050	(\$3,800)
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$2,450	\$2,050	(\$400)
General Government Buildings	\$117,635	\$132,125	\$14,490
Cemeteries	\$19,200	\$19,600	\$400
Insurance	\$34,063	\$37,000	\$2,937
Regional Associations	\$3,974	\$4,015	\$41
Other General Government	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
TOTAL	\$1,236,824	\$1,364,678	\$127,854

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Jones asked Town Administrator White to review this budget and provide additional information. She reviewed the increases and decreases, line by line, with specific mention of how the figures reflect the money being added and re-allocated to fund the new full-time town custodial position. The Moderator then called for questions and comments. Bob MacNeil of Howe Hill Road wanted to clarify that the new position was for buildings and maintenance. He then asked if the \$55,000 for the new position was to include salary and benefits and does it not include the \$9,000 re-allocated from the library or is that amount included in the \$55,000. Selectman Brown replied that the \$9,000 is supporting the creation of this new position. To create this new position we’ve taken as much of the existing money currently going to independent contractors, including part-timers, and merged it into this. Mr. MacNeil then asked to clarify that the amount formerly budgeted to the library has been re-allocated to the overall cost of this position. Selectman Brown said this was correct and that a portion of the time of this new position will be spent at the library and a portion will be spent at town hall. Mr. MacNeil then asked to clarify that the \$55,000 will include benefits and Selectman Brown said it did. Town Administrator White then corrected that number and said that the entire funding for the position, including salary and benefits, is \$84,000. Mr. MacNeil then asked to confirm that the outside vendors will not be used to come in once a week; Town Administrator White confirmed that this was

correct. Mr. MacNeil then stated that his understanding was that the total weekly compensation (wages and benefits) for the position would be \$1,600/week. Town Administrator White then explained that her reason for requesting this position is that having a part-time custodian has been problematic for the needs of the town buildings. Right now the town is scheduling the contractors for when work needs to be done; if needs arise outside of that scheduling window, the Town Administrator then needs to stop what she's doing and address whatever building-related need occurs. The Town Administrator ends up wearing the custodial hat a fair amount of the time. Mr. MacNeil agreed that this is not a good use of the Town Administrator's time. Deborah Cheever of 31 Allen's Drive said she's somewhat confused about the full-time position versus the part-time position. She asked if her understanding that the salary for the full-time position was \$55,000 was correct. Town Administrator White responded that this was the maximum. Ms. Cheever said that how she interpreted the position was that the salary was \$55,000 and that the benefits cost an additional \$29,000, to bring the total cost of the position up to \$84,000. Town Administrator White responded that the budget includes a maximum salary, depending on the candidate, of \$45,000. Estimated benefits would be \$39,000. Ms. Cheever then asked for an explanation of what benefits were costing \$39,000. Town Administrator White responded that the benefits figure includes the estimated cost of a two-person health care plan. Ms. Cheever then asked for the total of what is paid out now for the maintenance of town buildings. Town Administrator White added that for services wages we're paying \$25,000 and that the library has a budget of \$5,000. Ms. Cheever then confirmed that these amounts are what we currently pay the outside contractors and there are no benefits involved with outside contractors. Town Administrator White confirmed that this is correct. Ms. Cheever then asked for a rough estimate of how much of the Town Administrator's time is spent dealing with the outside contractors, and she added that she believes these duties are part of the Town Administrator's job. She also commented that this seems like a huge leap in cost. Selectman Brown commented that one of the benefits the Selectboard saw was making an investment in the maintenance of the town's buildings and facilities the same way we would do in our homes and avoiding the costs of deferred maintenance. Having contractors come in to clean carpets, clean floors, etc. is not the same as having a full-time presence to help identify problems that may be coming up and that might cost much more down the road. This position would coordinate regular maintenance. Previously the town has managed these duties via a 'hodge-podge' of contractors and from the Selectboard's perspective this situation has taken a significant portion of the Town Administrator's time; she shouldn't be spending her time changing light bulbs, etc. The idea is to have a more regular presence here, someone to take ownership of all the town facilities, including the general custodial but also all the maintenance duties. Ms. Cheever then asked to clarify if the duties of the new position would be inside or outside the buildings. Town Administrator White responded that the duties would be inside. Ms. Cheever then asked for the bottom line difference, approximately, between what we pay the independent contractors and what we could possibly be paying the new position. While Town Administrator White calculated this amount, Selectman Jones commented that we must take into consideration that the town hall building is used a great deal; in the winter, it should be vacuumed every night. She does not believe it should be up to the people working in the Selectmen's Office to run the vacuum. This is about what the town needs to take care of town hall and the library, with the new addition, which should be taken care of the same way. She added that getting by with part-time contractors has not been taking proper care of the regular maintenance. Also, when people come in to rent the downstairs space there's a lot of clean-up; they're supposed to clean up after themselves, but they often don't. Regular use results in wear on the floors and walls and the room was starting to look shabby. Having a regular person to help maintain the buildings is the way to go rather than piecemeal. Without this attention regular staff end up attending to these issues themselves which is not a good use of their time. Town Administrator White then answered Ms. Cheever's question by saying it's \$59,000 and the \$9,000 is in the library budget. Peter James of Splitrock Road noted that not too many years ago the town voted to spend a lot of money to construct this building and it's used by a lot of groups, as noted by Selectman Jones. He said that not having someone here full-time would be like only having someone come to clean the school on Saturday. The town hall gets a lot of use as well. He also mentioned that if you drive by in the summertime and see that the grass is mowed, bushes are trimmed and things look nice, none of that just happens. We should be very proud that our Selectmen have decided that we need a full-time groundskeeper. The groundskeeper does these things because he is responsible and he cares. We should be very proud we have someone who wants to do this. We need someone of the same type of personality to be in this building, keeping it clean, and giving us something we're proud of and not

something starting to look shabby. Dan McClory of 38 Brookridge Drive said he was a little confused about the benefits and asked to confirm the total. Town Administrator White said it's \$39,000. Mr. McClory asked for a breakdown of the costs included, as that's about 60% of the salary and he's accustomed to it being 25-30%. He also asked what town employees pay toward their health insurance. Town Administrator White responded that town employees pay 10% of their premiums; the estimated town portion of the new position's two-person plan would be \$29,250. She added that the town would also pay into retirement. Bob MacNeil of Howe Hill Road asked about the reference to costs being for the first year and asked if this was correct. He mentioned an earlier slide that referred to Tier 1 and Tier 2, and asked if the new position would be Tier 1 or Tier 2. Town Administrator White noted that health insurance increased 13.76% and wasn't sure how to answer the question. Mr. MacNeil clarified that Tier 1 and Tier 2 referred to retirement plans, not health insurance, which Town Administrator White confirmed. She also confirmed that the new position would be in Group 1 (not 'Tier 1'). Mr. MacNeil then asked if the retirement plan was going up 13%; Town Administrator White replied that retirement for Group 1 employees was going up .21%. Mr. MacNeil then asked for the total benefit increase from the current year to next year for Group 1 employees. Town Administrator White responded that it will be \$6,100. Mr. MacNeil then asked if we could anticipate a benefit increase of 10-12% next year and is it the same amount each year. Town Administrator White replied that she couldn't be sure of that. He then asked how the benefit costs have been trending over the past five years. Town Administrator White asked if he was asking about retirement or health insurance. Mr. MacNeil then stated he was trying to anticipate the increases for the new position. He then asked if we could anticipate a roughly 10% increase each year. Town Administrator White replied that it was likely. Kevin Cheever of 31 Allens Drive suggested that as an alternative, budget 32 hours for the position with no benefits and see how it works out. For sub-contractors, under 32 hours per week does not require paying benefits. The Moderator then asked if there were any other comments or questions. Given that there was no further discussion, the Moderator called for a vote. A voice vote was taken; the Moderator initially declared that it passed by a majority voice vote, but sufficient concern was raised that she decided to take a count via a show of hands. The ballot clerks were directed to count the 'yes' and 'no' votes.

Article 7 Passed by Hand Count – Yes 52; No 24

ARTICLE 8 – Public Safety

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred ninety-four thousand, eight hundred twenty-one dollars (**\$694,821**) 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 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Police Department	\$416,086	\$457,517	\$41,431
Ambulance (FAST Squad)	\$80,450	\$89,949	\$9,499
Fire Department	\$127,206	\$125,855	(\$1,351)
Building Inspection	\$8,500	\$10,000	\$1,500
Emergency Management	\$12,000	\$11,500	(\$500)
TOTAL	\$644,242	\$694,821	\$50,579

Selectman Brown moved the article and Selectman Jones seconded. Selectman Brown asked Town Administrator White to review the increases and decreases, line by line. The Moderator then asked for any questions or comments; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 8 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 9 – Police Cruiser

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year, \$42,000 lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to purchase a new 2017 AWD Dodge Charger Police Cruiser and to convert the existing 2014 Dodge Charger (Unit #2) to an alternate police duty use vehicle, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,743 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This agreement contains an escape clause.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Kimball moved the article and Selectman Brown seconded. Selectman Kimball noted that this is a replacement for one of the older police vehicles. The lease program gives us more of a regular payment and helps us to anticipate costs. Sargeant John Parsons was then introduced and invited to give more background on this article. Sargeant Parsons of Olde Farms Road explained the ages of the current vehicles and the features of the current vehicles, including those that have all-wheel drive. The new vehicle will be an all-wheel drive vehicle and will replace the one Dodge Charger that is not all-wheel drive. That vehicle, in turn, will be demarked and will then become the new Chief's vehicle. The Crown Victoria (the current Chief's car) will be retired. He addressed the fact that the question has been raised about whether or not the current Chief's vehicle will come up for bid. Sargeant Parsons noted that years ago we traded in a 2006 Crown Victoria and got \$2,000 worth of trade-in value. The potential exists to get more money for the current Chief's vehicle through private bid. The plan is to move all possible equipment from the Dodge Charger to the new vehicle and to swap out and get the best value for all equipment currently in the Chief's vehicle. While the amount requested for the new vehicle is far higher than the costs anticipated, the idea is to budget for a number of unanticipated costs to be sure we have enough money to thoroughly outfit the new cruiser. Mark Lewis, Gray Ledges, asked 1) how many miles are put on every year and 2) is maintenance done when a problem occurs or is there regular maintenance performed on the cruiser. Sargeant Parsons responded and said the 2014 Dodge Charger currently has 35,412 miles on it; the 2011 Crown Victoria has roughly 88,000 miles on it; the 2015 Dodge Charger has roughly 15,000-16,000 miles on it. Currently the police cruisers are part of a regular maintenance program that includes tire rotation and oil changes, performed approximately every 4,000 miles. Maintenance is done locally if possible but done in the area when local maintenance is not possible. Chris Buchanan, 43 Deer Run, asked if any thought had been given to going with another SUV as opposed to a cruiser given the rural nature of the town. Sargeant Parsons responded that he's been with the department since 2006 and they've always run one SUV. Because these vehicles are so big they tend to require maintenance and repair more quickly, while the sedans work better overall, especially given the good job the town does maintaining its roads. Smaller SUVs, while available, tend to be too small for the amount of emergency equipment officers carry in their vehicles. They also tend to have a significantly lower towing capacity. Chief Madore then spoke to the research he did on the SUVs versus sedans and it was his decision to go with one full-size SUV only. The Expedition works well with respect to winter access and weight rating. The Moderator then asked if there was further discussion; hearing none, she announced that she had received a request for a secret ballot, using the colored 'yes/no' ballots handed out at the beginning of the meeting. She announced the white ballot would be used. The Moderator said she would move on to the next article until the vote was tallied on this article; once completed, she would return to Article 9 to announce the results.

Article 9 Passed by Secret Ballot – Yes 73; No 15

ARTICLE 10 – Fire Department Building Improvements

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance, for the purpose of building improvements for the Fire Department. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Jones stated that this money will be used to replace windows and doors at the fire department; update insulation; replace exterior siding and trim;

and paint the interior. She invited Jay Fountain, Fire Chief, to comment; he declined. The Moderator asked for discussion. Given that there was no discussion, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 10 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 11 – Public Works

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fifty-eight thousand, nine hundred sixty-three dollars (**\$758,963**) to defray the cost of **Public Works** 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 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Highway Administration	\$228,430	\$232,758	\$4,328
Highway Maintenance	\$158,200	\$177,200	\$19,000
Street Lights	\$5,000	\$4,000	(\$1,000)
Transfer Station	\$137,600	\$139,005	\$1,405
Waste Disposal	\$207,000	\$200,000	(\$7,000)
Landfill Monitoring	\$8,000	\$6,000	(\$2,000)
TOTAL	\$744,230	\$758,963	\$14,733

Selectman Kimball moved the article and Selectman Jones seconded. Selectman Kimball asked Town Administrator White to speak to the increases and decreases in this article, line by line. The Moderator asked if there were any comments or questions; hearing none, she called for a vote.

Article 11 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 12 – Highway Department 1-Ton Truck

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year, \$60,000 lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to purchase a new 1-Ton Truck, with a plow and sander, for the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000 for the first year’s payment for that purpose. This agreement contains an escape clause.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Brown moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Brown asked to review the slide on this article. He noted that the current truck is ten-years-old and has a lot of rust, and the plow equipment on the truck is also rather old. The Moderator called for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 12 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 13 – Miller Pond Road Guardrail Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for the purpose of surveying, engineering, and permitting costs associated with the first phase of replacing guardrails on Miller Pond Road. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Brown seconded. Selectman Jones spoke to the road situation on Miller Pond Road and that it is a condition that needs to be addressed. She noted that it is not a simple fix and will require extensive engineering, planning, permitting, etc. She added that it is a project that can no longer be put off. Lorie McClory, 38 Brookridge Drive, noted that the article mentions the first phase, and she wanted to know how many phases were anticipated and what will be the total project cost. Selectman Kimball replied that the town is hoping it will be two phases: the first phase is engineering and design, and the second phase will be installation. As yet the town has no handle on the cost of the installation given the difficulty of the site, the ledge on one side of the road, plus the fact that we don't know if we might need to move the road slightly to make it work. There are so many variables involved that instead of pulling a number out of the sky the plan is to complete the engineering and design work first and then have a better handle on the overall cost to complete the project. The Moderator then called for further discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 13 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 14 – Health and Welfare

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-four thousand, nine hundred dollars (**\$44,900**) 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 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Health	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$0
Boarding Animals	\$700	\$700	\$0
Community Services	\$16,900	\$17,500	\$600
Town General Assistance	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
TOTAL	\$44,300	\$44,900	\$600

Community Agencies:	Budget 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Lake Sunapee VNA	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$0
Newport Food Pantry	\$500	\$500	\$0
Sullivan County Nutrition Services	\$200	\$200	\$0
Kearsarge Area COA	\$3,800	\$3,900	\$100
Southwestern Community Services	\$900	\$900	\$0
West Central Services	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Public Health Council of the Upper Valley (formerly Mascoma Valley Health Initiative)	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Community Alliance of Human Services	\$500	\$0	(\$500)
Visiting Nurse & Hospice of VT/NH	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
Total	\$16,900	\$17,500	\$600

Selectman Kimball moved the article and Selectman Jones seconded. Kimball noted that there's a pretty extensive list of agencies. The Selectboard received a fair amount of feedback regarding these requests and they came up with a list developed from that feedback. The Moderator then asked for further discussion; hearing none, she called for a vote.

Article 14 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 15 – Culture and Recreation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred six thousand, eight hundred seventy-four dollars (**\$306,874**) 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 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Recreation	\$47,450	\$47,700	\$250
Dunbar Free Library	\$197,980	\$226,164	\$28,184
Activities	\$34,850	\$31,510	(\$3,340)
Archives	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
TOTAL	\$281,780	\$306,874	\$25,094

Selectman Brown moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Brown reviewed the increases and decreases, line by line. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 15 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 16 – Conservation, Debt Principal, Debt Interest, and Tax Anticipation Note Interest

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred seventeen thousand, six hundred thirty-eight dollars (**\$217,638**) 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 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Conservation Commission	\$4,400	\$4,500	\$100
Town Hall Bond/Interest	\$85,200	\$80,733	(\$4,467)
Library Bond/Interest	\$65,555	\$63,505	(\$2,050)
Highway Plow Truck Lease	\$31,603	\$31,603	\$0
Fire Department SCBA Lease	\$37,197	\$37,197	\$0
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	\$100	\$100	\$0
TOTAL	\$224,055	\$217,638	(\$6,417)

Selectman Kimball moved the article and Selectman Brown seconded. Kimball reviewed the increases and decreases, line by line, noting that most of these fluctuations reflect operational costs. The Moderator then called for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 16 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 17 – 2015 Police Cruiser Lease Final Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,817 for the final payment of the 2015 Police Cruiser lease with said funds to come from the Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Jones explained that this article honors the commitment entered into when the lease was executed. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 17 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 18 – Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred three thousand dollars (**\$303,000**) to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance and to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds, as listed below**. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2016/2017	Proposed 2017/2018	Change Increase or (Decrease)
Highway Equipment CRF	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$50,000
Transfer Station Equipment CRF	\$10,000	\$30,000	\$20,000
Library Building Repair CRF	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$10,000
Town Building Maintenance CRF	\$5,000	\$30,000	\$25,000
Fire Department Apparatus CRF	\$20,000	\$75,000	\$55,000
Police Vehicles CRF	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
Public Safety ETF	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$15,000
Town Office Equipment CRF	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Municipality Revaluation CRF	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
Town Clerk/Tax Collector Equipment CRF	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
Town Emergency Repair ETF	\$0.00	\$10,000	\$10,000
TOTAL	\$118,000	\$303,000	\$185,000

Selectman Brown moved the article and Selectman Jones seconded. Selectman Brown explained that this article is fairly self-explanatory. The Selectboard chose to place a portion of this year’s fund balance to invest in capital reserve funds as we have done in recent years. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 18 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 19 – Discontinue Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality’s general fund.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Kimball moved the article and Selectman Brown seconded. Selectman Kimball explained that this article is also fairly self-explanatory. The library expansion project is complete and this allows the library to move out the little money that's left over for other purposes. Bob McCarthy, 11 Fernwood Lane, thanked the citizens of Grantham for supporting this bond fund. He asked all the townspeople to continue to support the library and visit as often as possible. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 19 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 20 – Exterior Painting

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 to come from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for the purpose of exterior painting of Town Hall and the Highway Garage. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. Selectman Jones noted that town hall is ready to be painted and probably should have been done several years ago. It needs to be done as does the Highway Garage, which has not had a new coat of paint since the addition was put on. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 20 Passed by Majority Voice Vote

ARTICLE 21 - To see if the Town will adopt the provisions of RSA 31:19 to accept and hold in trust gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town for the establishment, maintenance, and care of libraries, reading-rooms, schools, and other educational facilities, parks, cemeteries, and burial lots, the planting and care of shade and ornamental trees upon their highways and other public places, and for any other public purpose that is not foreign or incompatible with the objects of the town. This authority shall remain in effect indefinitely or until rescinded by vote at town meeting.

Recommended by the Selectmen (Majority vote required)

Selectman Jones moved the article and Selectman Brown seconded. Selectman Jones noted that this is a housekeeping article that should have been passed along with others of the same genre back in 1994-95. In order to cover ourselves we need to pass this article, as without it, if we wanted to accept any gifts to the town we would have to call a special town meeting to allow it and that would incur significant additional cost to the town. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, the Moderator called for a vote.

Article 21 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

ARTICLE 22 – 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)

Selectman Brown moved the article and Selectman Kimball seconded. The Moderator then asked those present if anyone had any other business to be brought up at this time. Selectman Kimball noted the duty of the Selectboard to nominate candidates for fence viewers and hog reeves. Selectman Kimball then nominated Susan Garrity and James Eibner as hog reeves and Cynthia Scott and Adam Connelly as fence viewers. Several seconds were offered

from the room. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, she called for a vote. Dave Wood asked if any of the nominated parties were present; none appeared to be.

Peter James of Splitrock Road thanked the Moderator and all those involved in postponing this year's town meeting, in spite of the fact that certain state officials thought we should all be out driving in some of the most hazardous conditions of the year. He noted that these people had the courage to buck the state and do something sensible.

The Moderator then asked for a motion to dissolve the meeting. Jay Fountain moved and John Parsons seconded. The Moderator asked for discussion; hearing none, she called for a vote.

Article 22 Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote

There being no further business or reports, the Moderator declared the 241st Town Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

A true copy attest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Story". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "K" and "S".

Kenneth Story, Town Clerk/Tax Collector



DRA Revised/Reviewed Appropriations

Grantham

For the period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018

In accordance with RSA 21-J:35, the department is notifying you of the following changes in the appropriations used in computing the tax rate.

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted	Change Amount	DRA Revised Appropriations
General Government					
4130-4139	Executive	07	\$232,950	\$0	\$232,950
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	07	\$123,698	\$0	\$123,698
4150-4151	Financial Administration	07	\$40,200	\$0	\$40,200
4152	Revaluation of Property	07	\$43,000	\$0	\$43,000
4153	Legal Expense	07	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	07	\$694,990	\$0	\$694,990
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	07	\$6,100	\$0	\$6,100
4194	General Government Buildings	07	\$132,125	\$0	\$132,125
4195	Cemeteries	07	\$19,600	\$0	\$19,600
4196	Insurance	07	\$37,000	\$0	\$37,000
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	07	\$4,015	\$0	\$4,015
4199	Other General Government	07	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
General Government Subtotal			\$1,364,678	\$0	\$1,364,678
Public Safety					
4210-4214	Police	08	\$457,517	\$0	\$457,517
4215-4219	Ambulance	08	\$89,949	\$0	\$89,949
4220-4229	Fire	08	\$125,855	\$0	\$125,855
4240-4249	Building Inspection	08	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
4290-4298	Emergency Management	08	\$11,500	\$0	\$11,500
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$694,821	\$0	\$694,821
Airport/Aviation Center					
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets					
4311	Administration	11	\$232,758	\$0	\$232,758
4312	Highways and Streets	11	\$177,200	\$0	\$177,200
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	11	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$413,958	\$0	\$413,958



DRA Revised/Reviewed Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted	Change Amount	DRA Revised Appropriations
Sanitation					
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	11	\$139,005	\$0	\$139,005
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	11	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	11	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$345,005	\$0	\$345,005
Water Distribution and Treatment					
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric					
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
Health					
4411	Administration	14	\$1,700	\$0	\$1,700
4414	Pest Control	14	\$700	\$0	\$700
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	14	\$17,500	\$0	\$17,500
Health Subtotal			\$19,900	\$0	\$19,900
Welfare					
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	14	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Culture and Recreation					
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	15	\$47,700	\$0	\$47,700
4550-4559	Library	15	\$226,164	\$0	\$226,164
4583	Patriotic Purposes	15	\$31,510	\$0	\$31,510
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	15	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$306,874	\$0	\$306,874



DRA Revised/Reviewed Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted	Change Amount	DRA Revised Appropriations
Conservation and Development					
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	16	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500
Debt Service					
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	09,12,16,17	\$218,413	\$0	\$218,413
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	09,12,16,17	\$41,185	\$0	\$41,185
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	16	\$100	\$0	\$100
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$259,698	\$0	\$259,698
Capital Outlay					
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings	10,20	\$82,000	\$0	\$82,000
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	13	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$102,000	\$0	\$102,000
Operating Transfers Out					
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	18	\$303,000	\$0	\$303,000
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$303,000	\$0	\$303,000
Total Voted Appropriations			\$3,839,434	\$0	\$3,839,434

Explanation for Adjustments

Warrant	Reason for Adjustment
<i>No DRA adjustments made or no adjustment notes available.</i>	

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT ONE EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR JOSEPH KENNEY
JANUARY 8, 2018**

2018 will begin my fifth year serving as your District 1 Executive Councilor. I have had the opportunity to work with many great local, county and state officials, but most importantly with the citizens of District 1. I am once again grateful and honored for the opportunity to serve you.

I continue to work with the Governor, Executive Council and Legislature on the important issues impacting the State. The heroin, fentanyl and opioid crisis continues to hit the state hard and the Executive Council continues to support funding for prevention, treatment and recovery programs. The expansion of Friendship House in Bethlehem, the only residential drug-treatment facility in the North Country, will be dedicated in 2018. This will increase the number of beds from 18 to 32 for a 28-day stay for treatment.

Economic development will continue to be a top priority for my office in District 1 and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. I am committed to the redevelopment of the Balsams project in Dixville Notch and I am working with the new Lakeshore Redevelopment Planning Commission in the development of the old State property in Laconia. I will continue to work with the Town of Enfield on the transfer of State property at the Mascoma Beach area as well as the Town of Conway on its 2.8 mile Pathway Project and the Town of Laconia on its Colonial Theatre Project.

Presently, there are over a thousand volunteers who served on 163 boards and commissions in state government. In 2017, 7 new commissioners were nominated and confirmed. Of the 348 nominations and confirmations to boards and commissions, 68 of them were from District 1. The Council confirmed 5 Circuit Court Judges (2 from District 1), 1 part-time Circuit Court Judge and 1 Supreme Court Associate Judge. In 2017 there were \$1.34 billion in expenditures, \$5.7 billion in working capital and the Council passed 1776 contracts.

I join with the NH Congressional Delegation – Senator Jeanne Sheehan, Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter in working with them on critical issues and projects to benefit the State of New Hampshire and the Region.

The Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan, working with the Department of Transportation and the Regional Planning Commissions, was completed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in June. The plan focuses on preservation, maintenance and safety of existing pavement and bridge infrastructure throughout the state. Over \$16 million in federal funds was provided to NH for the Congestion, Mitigation, and Air Quality (CMAQ) program of which 16 grant applications were accepted and funded. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for any additional details at 271-3344.

The 2018 sessions of the NH House and Senate will address legislation that deals with the heroin, fentanyl and opioid crisis, sustainment of Medicaid expansion, business and workforce development, voting and drinking water safety. Again, I will be watchful of the legislation that impacts my district. 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 state boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Chris Sununu, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301, attention Eliot Gault Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-8790. A complete list of all state boards and commissions is available at the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm

My office has available the following informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically email my weekly schedule and other items of note. If you would like to be included on this list, contact me at joseph.kenney@nh.gov. I also have an internship program for college students and other interested ages so please contact my office to discuss this opportunity anytime. My office number is 271-3632. Please stay in touch!

Serving 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, Wilmot, and Wolfeboro, and the cities of Claremont and Laconia.

TAX RELIEF OPTIONS

For the following programs, applications are available at the Selectmen's Office in Grantham Town Hall, 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH.

Abatements: Application deadline: March 1 after final tax bill of the year. Per RSA 76:16, property owners who believe there is an error in their property assessment, or their assessment is disproportionate, may apply to the Board of Selectmen for an abatement. Applications are also on line at: <https://www.nh.gov/btla/forms/documents/abatement.pdf>.

Elderly Exemption (RSA 72:39-a): Application deadline: April 15. Residents 65 years of age and up who meet income and asset limits may apply to the Board of Selectmen for an exemption of the assessment of their property.

This Exemption reduces the taxable value of the real estate for qualified taxpayers as follows:

For a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, a reduction of \$44,000 from the assessed value;
For a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, a reduction of \$66,000 from the assessed value; and
For a person 80 years of age or older, a reduction of \$82,500 from the assessed value.

To qualify, the applicant must be 65 years of age by April 1 and have been a New Hampshire resident for at least the last 3 years. In addition, your real estate must be your permanent place of residence and if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, you must have been married for at least 5 years.

Income and Asset limits:

Income: For a single person, your net income may not exceed \$40,000. If married, a combined net income may not be more than \$80,000.

Assets: Excluding your home, if you are single, your assets may not exceed \$100,000. If married, your combined assets may not exceed \$200,000. Please note that assets include everything that is tangible and intangible.

Low & Moderate Income Homeowners' Property Tax Relief: You may be eligible for this program if you are: Single with Adjusted Gross Income equal to or less than \$20,000; Married or filing Head of a NH Household with Adjusted Gross Income equal to or less than \$40,000; and own a home subject to the State Education Property Tax; and resided in that home on April 1. The Town has no authority in regards to this program but you can contact the Selectmen's Office for an application which the State has typically made available sometime in April. Applications must be filed to the State of New Hampshire between May 1 and June 30.

TAX RELIEF OPTIONS

Veterans Tax Credit: Application deadline: April 15. If you are a Veteran and served during a qualifying war or armed conflict, described below, you may be eligible for a tax credit if:

- You were honorably discharged, or are you the spouse of a veteran who was honorable discharged;
- You have been a resident of New Hampshire for at least one year preceding April 1st of this year; and
- You live in the home, as your primary residence, for which the tax credit is claimed

Basic eligibility requirements (see RSA 72:28 for complete eligibility requirements):

- Every resident of this state who served not less than 90 days in the armed forces of the United States in any qualifying war or armed conflict AND was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service, or the spouse of such resident.
- Every resident of this state who was terminated from the armed forces because of service-connected disability; or the surviving spouse of such resident.
- The surviving spouse of any resident who suffered a service-connected death.

Veteran's Tax Credit (RSA 72:28): If you are a veteran, or a veteran's spouse or surviving spouse, you may be eligible for a \$500 tax credit. You will need to submit a copy of your DD-214 along with your permanent application form PA-29. If you served in a war or conflict since May 8, 1975, please be sure the DD-214 you provide has your character of service (sometimes labeled Member 4 copy in the lower right-hand corner).

All Veteran's Tax Credit (RSA 72:28-b): If you are a veteran and a resident of this state who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that Title 10 training for active duty by a member of a national guard or reserve, you may be eligible for a \$500 tax credit.

Credit for Surviving Spouse of a Veteran Who Was Killed or Died on Active Duty (RSA 72:29-a): If you are the surviving spouse of any person who was killed or dies while on active duty in the armed forces, you may be eligible for a tax credit. You will need to submit documentation from the Veterans Administration to support your status.

Credit for Service-Connected Total & Permanent Disability (RSA 72:35): If you are a qualified veteran with a total and permanent service-connected disability, or are a double amputee or paraplegic, or you are the surviving spouse of such a veteran, you may be eligible for a tax credit. You will need to submit documentation from the Veterans Administration to support your status.

Total Exemption (RSA 72:36-a): If your homestead has been specially adapted because of your service-related disability, you may be eligible for a total exemption from property taxes. You will need to submit documentation from the Veterans Administration to support your status, as well as documentation of the specially adapted homestead, and financing with the assistance of the Veterans Administration.

TAX RELIEF OPTIONS

Solar Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:61-64): Application deadline: April 15. This is an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value for property that is equipped with solar energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. This exemption would be equal to 100% of the assessed value of a qualifying solar energy system under these statutes.

Tax Deferral Lien: Per RSA 72:38-a, disabled residents or residents over 65 may apply for a tax deferral lien. This program allows a resident to defer payment of their residential property taxes, plus annual interest of 5%, until the transfer of their property or up to 85% of the property equity value.

Wind-Powered Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:65-68): Application deadline: April 15. This is an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value for property that is equipped with wind powered energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. This exemption would be equal to 100% of the assessed value of a qualifying wind-powered energy system under these statutes.

Wood-heating Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:70): Application deadline: April 15. This is an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value for property that is equipped with wood-heating energy system (as defined in RSA 72:69) intended for use at the immediate site. This exemption would be equal to 100% of the assessed value of a qualifying wood-heating energy system under these statutes.

Wages For Employees And Elected Officials

Administration

Kimball, G. Warren	Selectman	\$	425.00	quarterly
Jones, Constance A.	Selectman	\$	425.00	quarterly
Andy Gelston	Selectman	\$	425.00	quarterly
White, Melissa M	Town Administrator	\$	2,577.19	bi-weekly
Jasper, Ann M	Administrative Assistant	\$	21.32	hourly
Norris, Martha M	Office Assistant	\$	15.91	hourly
Maynard Goldman	Treasurer	\$	6,200.00	annual
James Coakley	Trustee of the Trust Funds Clerk & Bookkeeper	\$	1,750.00	annual
Fogg, Robert E	Trustee of the Trust Funds Bookkeeper	\$	1,750.00	annual
Stender, Gregory	Facilities Maintenance Manager	\$	20.00	hourly
Woodworth, Roger D	Building Inspector	\$	29.25	hourly

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office & Election Officials

Story, Kenneth B	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$	1,703.47	bi-weekly
Palmer, Penelope	Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$	16.48	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
McClory, Lorie M	Moderator	\$	250.00	annual
Brown, Leslie	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Clark, Jane Deane	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Clark Jr., Russell	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Dorr, Paula	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Eastman, Ruth Ann	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Fogg, Sara	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Friedman, Rita	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Gilliatt, Michele	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Goldman, Maynard	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Margolis-Cheever, Deborah	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
McCarthy, Judith A	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
McCarthy, Robert B	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Molloy, Brenda	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Niles, Mary	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Noordsy, Donald	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Peterson, Norah	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Peterson, Robert	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Sachs, Jane	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Stamper, James D	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Taylor, Jane R	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Tober, Rae	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Towle, Cynthia	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly
Wren, Susan	Ballot Clerk	\$	7.50	hourly

Police Department

Parsons, John W	Police Chief	\$	2,693.85	bi-weekly
Cunningham, Gordon	Police Sergeant	\$	27.24	hourly
Cameron, Ryan J	Police Officer	\$	21.78	hourly
Gamble, Ryan C	Police Officer	\$	23.48	hourly
DiPadova, Judith A	Police Secretary	\$	20.24	hourly
Kevin Bronson	Police Officer PT	\$	19.21	hourly
Julian, Timothy T	Police Officer PT	\$	20.52	hourly
Schwartz, Robert A	Police Officer PT	\$	20.51	hourly

Wages For Employees And Elected Officials

Emergency Services Fire/Fast Squad

Gillespie, Stuart M	Fast Squad - EMT Intermediate & Coordinator	\$	14.48	hourly (plus \$500 annual officer pay)
Avery, Lori L	Fast Squad - EMT & Secretary	\$	14.48	hourly (plus \$250 annual officer pay)
Avery, Tiffany	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	14.48	hourly
Alteva, Gergana	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	14.48	hourly
Coronis, Kelly	Fast Squad - EMT	\$	14.48	hourly
Chipman, Bruce E	Fast Squad - Advanced EMT & Asst. Coordinator	\$	14.48	hourly
Chipman, Jane	Fast Squad - EMT Intermediate & Treasurer	\$	14.48	hourly (plus \$250 annual officer pay)
Davis, Jill D	Fast Squad - EMT Paramedic	\$	14.48	hourly
Labombard, Jeremy	Fast Squad - Advanced EMT			
Fountain, Jeremiah J	Fire Chief	\$	21.63	hourly
Beckley, David B	Deputy Fire Chief	\$	14.48	hourly (plus \$1500 annual officer pay)
Labombard, Jeremy	Lieutenant	\$	14.48	hourly
Avery, Ryan	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Balfour, Zackary	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Bard, Rosie	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Coronis, Hunter	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Hastings, Justin R	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Howarth, Cory	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Mason, Brandon	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
McMahon, Jason T	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Medeiros, Keith	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Medeiros, Ryan	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Meier, Lewis	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Messineo, Trevor	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Ripley, Stephen Jr.	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly
Tibbits, Jack	Firefighter	\$	14.48	hourly

Emergency Management

Beckley, David B	Emergency Management Director	\$	21.00	hourly
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Health

Susan Figley	Health Officer	\$	19.00	hourly
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Highway Department & Groundskeeping

Hastings, Jeffrey A	Road Agent	\$	32.82	hourly
Hastings, Brian	Assistant Road Agent	\$	24.72	hourly
Donald Cote	Summer helper PT	\$	19.50	hourly
Carey, Glenn R	Groundskeeper	\$	19.88	hourly

Transfer Station

Scott, Christopher C	Transfer Station Supervisor	\$	18.42	hourly
Sweeney, Buddy	Transfer Station Attendant	\$	16.00	hourly
Bendel, Ronald	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	12.00	hourly
Bullock, William	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	12.00	hourly
Martin, Christopher	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	12.00	hourly
Reynolds, Hubert	Transfer Station Attendant PT	\$	12.50	hourly

Recreation

Googins, Marsha G	Athletics Director	\$	22.00	hourly
Anderson, Jonathon	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Hansen, Jake	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Kulacz, Samuel	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Matte, Alexis	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Peterson, Elizabeth	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly
Susco, Pierce	Referee	\$	10.00	hourly

Library

Huston, Dawn E	Library Director	\$	1,880.77	bi-weekly
Gelston, Andy	Library - PT	\$	12.05	hourly
Goldstein, Karen	Library - PT	\$	12.67	hourly
Heepe, Teresa R	Library - PT	\$	14.42	hourly
Holmes, B Joey	Library - PT	\$	18.23	hourly
Travis, Barbara B	Library - PT	\$	16.12	hourly

Town of Grantham



Vital Statistics

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RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2017-12/31/2017

--GRANTHAM--

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
PARISH, SHEA MICAH	01/05/2017	LEBANON,NH	NELSON, JOSEPH	PARISH-REEVES, SARA
COLLETTE, LAURA LEE	02/28/2017	LEBANON,NH	COLLETTE, RYAN	COLLETTE, ALISON
MASON, CALEB ALLEN	03/05/2017	LEBANON,NH	MASON, BRANDON	MASON, NICOLE
BRADY, MAX WILLIAM	04/02/2017	LEBANON,NH	BRADY, KEITH	BRADY, JILLIAN
NEWHALL, JOCELYN ANN	04/14/2017	LEBANON,NH	NEWHALL, WILLIAM	BAGLEY, ERYN
FISHER, HENRY KEVIN	04/24/2017	LEBANON,NH	FISHER, KYLE	FISHER, BECKY
JOIA, WINSLOW BLAINE	04/25/2017	LEBANON,NH	JOIA, BLAINE	SULLIVAN, RACHEL
OSTERLOH, QUINN MARTIN	04/26/2017	LEBANON,NH	OSTERLOH, MARTIN	OSTERLOH, THERESA
MOULTON, PATIENCE ISABELLE	06/05/2017	LEBANON,NH	MOULTON, BRADLEY	MOULTON, TIFFANY
LEARY, FIONA KATHARINE	06/09/2017	LEBANON,NH	LEARY, BRIAN	LEARY, WHITNEY
PAL, KRISHAN ROBERT	06/15/2017	LEBANON,NH	PAL, GOPALENDU	SANTA CRUZ, RIKKI
RIENDEAU, TENLEY ANN	06/24/2017	LEBANON,NH	RIENDEAU, BRANDON	RIENDEAU, ASHLEY
MITCHELL, AVA LENORA	08/22/2017	LEBANON,NH	MITCHELL, NICHOLAS	NUGENT, SARAH
LEATHERS, ELODIE REY	08/22/2017	LEBANON,NH	LEATHERS, ADAM	LEATHERS, LINDSAY
MOULTON, MADILYNN MAE	08/23/2017	LEBANON,NH	MOULTON, JONATHAN	GUYETTE, AMY
DREW, CHLOE SOPHIA	08/26/2017	LEBANON,NH	DREW, MICHAEL	ROBINSON DREW, BROOKE
BALTIC, IAN ROBERT	11/07/2017	LEBANON,NH	BALTIC, STEVEN	BALTIC, GRACE
MACLEAN, ALEXANDER MATTHEW	11/21/2017	LEBANON,NH	MACLEAN, MATTHEW	MACLEAN, CATHERINE
BILL, CARSON ALDEN	11/27/2017	LEBANON,NH	BILL, STANLEY	LANG, ALICIA
LEMELIN, ASHER LEVI	12/01/2017	LEBANON,NH	LEMELIN, ERNEST	LEMELIN, SARAH
FOWLER-THORSEN, SUTTON REEVE	12/04/2017	LEBANON,NH	FOWLER, AMY	RINDE-THORSEN, EMILY
SWITZER, LENNON KATE	12/26/2017	LEBANON,NH	SWITZER, CRAIG	SWITZER, ASHLEY

Total number of records 22

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RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2016 - 12/31/2016

-- GRANTHAM --

Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
GARRITY, SUSAN E GRANTHAM, NH	EIBNER, JAMES J GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	NEW LONDON	04/19/2016
MONTGOMERY, NATHAN D LEMPSTER, NH	SHUMWAY, JEANNE M GRANTHAM, NH	LEMPSTER	GRANTHAM	06/22/2016
BICKFORD, JOHN P GRANTHAM, NH	MCGARRY, CAITLIN L GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	08/01/2016
WILLIAMSON, JULIA H GRANTHAM, NH	WHITE, DAVID R GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	NEW LONDON	08/14/2016
HALEY, CHRISTOPHER S GRANTHAM, NH	WORMWOOD, WENDY GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	ENFIELD	08/20/2016
CONNELLY, ADAM W GRANTHAM, NH	SCOTT, CYNTHIA M GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	HOOKSETT	08/27/2016

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2016 - 12/31/2016

--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
PHELPS, ROBERT	02/07/2016	WARNER	PHELPS, ARTHUR	PULVER, CLARA	Y
FRANKS, RUTH	02/08/2016	GRANTHAM	DOBBS-FRANKS, RICHARD	PETTEWAY, JENARY	N
MINSKY, EUGENE	02/08/2016	NEW LONDON	MINSKY, HYMAN	KREVITSKY, ROSE	N
PARSONS, MICHELLE	04/10/2016	GRANTHAM	RICE, ROBERT	ANTONELLI, NORMA	N
HOEN, ROBERT	09/13/2016	GRANTHAM	HOEN, THOMAS	STOCKING, NANCY	Y
BARTON, HENRY	10/01/2016	GRANTHAM	BARTON, ORREN	HASTINGS, ESTHER	Y
POWELL, MADOLYN	10/08/2016	NEW LONDON	RUSS, FRANCIS	MAYRICH, MARY	N
FAIRWEATHER, ROBERT	10/21/2016	ENFIELD	FAIRWEATHER, WALLACE	MOSLER, MADELINE	N
SMITH, EVELYN	10/30/2016	GRANTHAM	DOODY, HENRY	DOODY, DORA	N
SUTHERLAND, JEAN	11/09/2016	NEW LONDON	HUNGERFORD, ROBERT	CASSIDY, ETHEL	N
SANTORA, CHARLES	11/25/2016	GRANTHAM	SANTORA, NICHOLAS	CLYATT, ELIZABETH	N
PARKER, MARTHA	12/04/2016	GRANTHAM	PADDICK, MORRIS	HICKEY, MARIAN	N
SIMON, THOMAS	12/30/2016	LEBANON	SIMON, LOUIS	HELLWITZ, JEAN	N

Total number of records 13

Grantham School District 2018 Annual Report

Young Artists Work at Grantham Village School



“SUNSET ON THE HORIZON” by Stacia



“MY MIND” by Sarah



“UNTITLED” By Omar



“COLLAGE” By Hannah



By Christopher



“RADIAL DESIGNS”

By Rosie



By Abigail

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Grantham Village School Pledge:

*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!

Contact Information for Grantham School District

Grantham Village School
75 Learning Drive
Grantham, NH 03753
P: 603-863-1681
F: 603-863-8377

Grantham School District SAU #75
Office of the Superintendent
300 Route 10 South
Grantham, NH 03753
P: 603-863-9689
F: 603-863-9684

Grantham School District Personnel

Website: www.gvshawks.org

Sydney Leggett	Superintendent	sleggett@sau75.org
Dan Ferreira	Special Education Director	dferreira@sau75.org
Allen Damren	Business Administrator	adamren@sau75.org
Linda Kosiorek	Staff Accountant	lkosiorek@sau75.org
Brenda Molloy	Assistant to the SAU Administration	bmolloy@sau75.org
Heather Cantagallo	GVS Principal	hcantagallo@gvshawks.org
Scott Taylor	GVS Facilities Director	staylor@gvshawks.org
Randy Britton	GVS Technology Teacher Leader	rbritton@gvshawks.org
Nora Tilton	GVS Administrative Assistant	ntilton@gvshawks.org
Fran Scheller	GVS Secretary	fscheller@gvshawks.org

Carl Hanson	District Moderator	To leave a message for the Moderator or
Michael O’Connell	District Treasurer	Treasurer, please call the SAU 603-863-9689

Contact Information for Lebanon School District

Website: www.sau88.net

Lebanon Middle School
John D’Entremont, Principal
3 Moulton Avenue
Lebanon, NH 03766
P: 603-448-3056
F: 603- 448-1356

Lebanon High School
Ian Smith, Principal
195 Hanover Street
Lebanon, NH 03766
P: 603-448-2055
F: 603-448-3899

Lebanon School District SAU #88
Joanne Roberts, Superintendent
20 Seminary Hill
West Lebanon, NH 03784
P: 603-790-8500
F: 603-790-8310

New Resident Student Registration and Transportation to Lebanon Middle and High Schools:

New Hampshire law requires that your child be a legal resident of Grantham in order to attend its schools. The “legal residency of a minor child” is defined in RSA 193:12. Providing misleading or false information about a student’s residency is a criminal offense under RSA 641:3 and RSA 641:7. Please contact the Grantham SAU #75 for the Proof of Residency form required to begin the registration process for Lebanon Middle and High Schools. This form is also available at <http://www.gvshawks.org/sau-75>

Transportation to the Lebanon Middle and High Schools is provided by Grantham School District. Please refer to the GVS website at <http://www.gvshawks.org/family-resources/transportation> for bus schedules or call the SAU #75 office for more information.

2018 School District Meeting
Report of the Chair of the Grantham School Board

January 2018

To the Town of Grantham Residents,

It is a privilege and honor to be able to present you, on behalf of the Grantham School Board, this annual report. This past year has been very busy for the school board which included forming and executing a search process resulting in the hiring of our new Superintendent, Ms. Sydney Leggett, the successful completion of two phases of the Gale Schmidt Outdoor Classroom including the classroom building, adding a new trail system through the forest wetlands and laying the foundation for the soon to be installed greenhouse, and the long range strategic planning committee. Please accept a special thank you to the many volunteers from the community that also supported each of those efforts. The level of support the members of the Grantham community provide to the school is unlike anything I have ever experienced in any of the communities I've resided in. Schools are often a reflection of the people that support them including teachers, staff, administrators, parents and the entire community.

The strong community involvement including being active in classroom, volunteering outside the classroom, being a part of the student development process, and budget supports the school in all aspects. We are fortunate to be part of a community so supportive of its school.

This past year also included the retirement of Superintendent Jacqui Guillette, who successfully lead the school from 2012-2017. Jacqui was a very good leader, and frankly an outstanding individual, who directed GVS toward being named one of the top elementary schools in the state. We thank Jacqui for her 5 years of service to Grantham and wish her well in retirement.

We were blessed to be able to hire Sydney Leggett this past year as our new Superintendent. Since her arrival in Grantham she has already made a strong, positive impact leading the school board and community through a strategic planning process, becoming very active within the school and community, helping with curriculum advancement, and streamlining our school policies. We welcome Sydney to Grantham and look forward to many years with her at the helm of the SAU.

The board, along with the support of many community members, is continuing to work on updating the long range strategic plan. The last long range strategic plan, available on the GVS website, was last updated in 2010. The strategic planning process looks at all parts of the district, including our:

1. resources (human resources as well as school facilities and grounds)
2. partnerships (working with our community, business and other local resources)
3. student achievement (academic, social, emotional, and physical wellness)
4. stewardship (how the Board operates on behalf of taxpayers and works with state and national governance);
and
5. climate and culture (creating the best possible environment for learning, health and safety for our community)

We greatly appreciate those community members participating in the strategic planning process and helping the board look towards the future to establish goals that promote the continued excellence of Grantham education.

Lastly, I want to thank the school board members serving with me for their hard work and dedication over the past year. This was a busy year for the school board, and this group of board members worked very hard, collaboratively, to make sure we were making the best decision possible to support the school and provide the best value for the taxpayers. Together we've been successful. We've supported the school and its progress toward being a top performing school while minimizing the financial impact on taxpayers. Thank you, Nan Parsons, Christine Conroy, Jodie Poljacik and Brittany Pye for your hard work on the Board the past couple of years. It has been an honor to serve with you.

Sincerely,

John Eylander
Chair, Grantham School Board.



Team Building at Camp Coniston during Unity Day.

2017-2018 School Board for the District of Grantham

Chair

Term 2016-2019

John Eylander

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Vice Chair

2015-2018

Nan Parsons

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Secretary

Term 2015-2018

Jodie Jones-Poljacik

437 Walker Road
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Member

2016-2019

Christine Conroy

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Grantham, NH 03753
cconroy@gvshawks.org
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Member

Term 2017-2020

Brittany Pye

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School Board Office Contact Information:

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F: 603-863-9684

The School Board web page can be found at <http://www.gvshawks.org/sau-75/grantham-school-board-2> which contains agendas, minutes, policies, annual audit reports and meeting calendars. Please contact bmolloy@sau75.org if you need more information.



Students from Mrs. McFarland and Mrs. Buckman share information together on their study of muscles and bones.

2017-2018 School District Personnel

Administration	Position	FTE	Education	Salary	
Britton, Randy	Technology Teacher Leader	Full-time 1.0	BA	86,240	
Cantagallo, Heather	Principal	Full-time 1.0	CAGS	98,699	
Damren, Allen	Business Administrator, SAU	Part-time 0.1	MBA	17,890	
Ferreira, Daniel	Special Education Director	Part-time .25	CAGS	24,675	
Kosiorek, Linda	Staff Accountant/Benefits Administrator, SAU	Full-time 1.0	MBA	63,386	
Leggett, Sydney	Superintendent, SAU	Part-time .5	CAGS	66,000	
Taylor, Scott	Director of Facilities	Full-time 1.0	C.I.P.E.	67,494	
Teachers, Specialists, Speech, COTA, Nurse, Counselor	Position	FTE	Education	Step/Track	Salary
Bechta-Piedmont, Diana	5 th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	Off	76,560
Berger, Astrid	6 th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	8	55,308
Boyea, Mary	Cert. Occup. Therapy Assistant	Full-time .85	AA	N/A	25,338
Buckman, Denise	4 th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	Off	74,331
Canning, Patricia	Special Educator Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	17	74,331
Coronis, Karen	Speech Language Pathologist	Full-time 1.0	MA	Off	42,590
Crutchfield, Robert	3 rd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	Off	61,064
Dumais, Leighanna	3 rd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	3	40,567
Edgar-Howard, Nancy	Reading Specialist	Full-time 1.0	MA	Off	74,331
Eylander, Karen	Nurse	Full-time 1.0	BA	18	61,064
Gioldassis, Kathryn	Special Educator Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	10	60,437
Hoefs, Christopher	Music Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	5	45,438
Hutchins, Samantha	1 st Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA+15	6	48,205
Johnson, Kimberly	4 th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	10	58,677
Johnston, Kara	2nd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	11	60,437
Klein, Heather	Library	Part-time .5	MA	15	35,482
Larrabee, Betty	Art Teacher	Part-time .60	BA	Off	36,638
Martin, Katherine	Kindergarten Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	Off	61,064
McFarland, Kimberly	4 th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	3	42,830
Page, Catherine	2 nd Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	18/	74,331
Pollard, Ian	Physical Education Teacher	Full-time 1.0	BA	14	59,286
Reed, Kristen	1st Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	16	74,331
Sylvain, Casey	6 th Grade Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	13	64,118
Wallace, Lynn	Reading Specialist	Full-time 1.0	BA+30	Off	68,728
Wallstrom, Jennifer	Kindergarten Teacher	Full-time 1.0	MA	15	68,023
Widman, Kris	School Counselor	Full-time 1.0	MA+15	17	74,331
Paraeducators	Position	FTE	Education	Step/Track	Salary
Brewer, Lynn	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	BA	18	25,338
Brown, Arlene	Paraeducator I	Full-time .85	AA	2	19,555
Brown, Jennifer	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	BS	5	14,512
Brown, Leslie	Paraeducator II	Full-time 1.0	MA	13	27,759
Gauvin, Sheri	Paraeducator II	Part-time .55	BA	4	13,405

Gilliatt, Michelle	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	BA	9	23,509
Googins, Marsha	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	AA	13	24,958
Grant, Deborah	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	AA	Off	25,338
Richard, Mary	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	AA	Off	25,338
Volckaert, Katherine	Paraeducator II	Full-time .85	BS	4	21,721

Administrative Assistants, Secretary, Child Care, Custodian, Food Service	Position	FTE	Salary
Molloy, Brenda	Assistant to the SAU Administration	Full-time 1.0	44,246
Scheller, Francine	Secretary- GVS	Part-time .5	11,728
Tilton, Nora	Administrative Assistant-GVS	Full-time 1.0	48,624
Bailey, Debra	Child Care - Before School	Part-time .15	3,443
Brewer, Lynn	Child Care - After School	Part-time .10	1,684
Cahn, Rachael	Child Care - After School	Part-time .30	7,965
Carey, Breyna	Child Care - After School	Part-time .30	9,558
Ford, Ekaterina	Child Care - After School	Part-time .30	7,965
Googins, Marsha	Child Care - Before School	Part-time .15	3,584
Grant, Deborah	Child Care - After School	Part-time 1.0	1,620
Klein, Heather	Child Care - Director, After School	Part-time .5	16,862
Benoit, James	Custodian	Part-Time .75	20,520
Palermo, Mike	Custodian	Full-time 1.0	42,536
Renehan, Oliver	Custodian	Full-time 1.0	51,147
Bailey, Debra	Food Service	Full-time .80	25,147
Mason, Denise	Food Service	Part-time .45	9,556
Peirce, Deborah	Food Service	Part-time .4	8,415

Notes:

Listed salaries and staff as reported for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. The term N/A refers to non-applicable or not available. Step/Track refers to the placement on the salary list of the GEA Contract and/or year of degree placement.

Full-time and Part-time FTE refers to various hours for different position categories. See below:

Full-time 40 hrs/wk = FTE 1.0	Full-time 33.75 hrs/wk = FTE .85	Full-time 37.5 hrs/wk = FTE 1.0
Part-time 30 hrs/wk = FTE .75	Part-time 22.5 hrs/wk = FTE .6	Part-time 18.75 hrs/wk = FTE .55

Other Contracted Service Providers:

Susan Gleason, TV 1 Teacher of Visually Impaired
Priscilla Rennie, Occupational Therapist

Jeanne Hines, Physical Therapist
Laurie Sepulveda, ESOL Teacher



Grantham Village School Facilities crew doing their best to keep up with the ever mounting snow.

From the Office of the Superintendent

Grantham School District

Dear Grantham Community Members:

It is with great pleasure and honor that I have the opportunity to write this letter to you as I continue through my first year serving the District. Grantham has earned the reputation of being a very special place, and now I can say firsthand how true this statement really is. I am continually impressed by the caliber of the administration, faculty, and staff; most of all, I am thrilled with the caring and involvement of our parents and community members. Not only is Grantham a district of academic excellence, but we also clearly stress the importance of being an informed and responsible citizen in the school and surrounding community. It's plain to see that this is a town and community that always seeks to do the best for children.

First, I'd like to thank Jacqui Guillette for the wonderful work she did for the District; she has been invaluable in making sure the transition was smooth, keeping the whole Grantham community--especially the kids, of course--in mind every step of the way.

As I look at things that have transpired since I've come on board, it is clear that 2018 has proven to get me off to a busy start; as I think about the future, it is equally as clear that we are heading in a great direction. Here are a few updates about the major work of SAU 75 this year so far:

- **Strategic Planning:** The strategic planning process has been positive and proactive, with a great deal of community involvement and support. We have 28 members of the Grantham School community on the Strategic Planning Committee, and we've compiled 100s of pages of survey data, reports, and research on best practices to help guide the Board in developing our goals for the next five years. The expectation is that the final plan will be voted on and approved this coming June, 2018.
- **Curriculum and Instruction:** GVS, with the positive and proactive direction of Principal Heather Cantagallo, has moved forward with competency-based education best practices, including a variety of strategies, such as problem-solving instructional design, performance assessments for deeper learning, outdoor and place-based inquiry education with the outdoor classroom and beyond, and the incorporation and alignment of Next Generation Science Standards. All of these are being implemented in light of the most important underlying skills we know our students need the most: empathy, self-control, integrity, embracing diversity, and grit, through the Formative Five program.
- **Budget Process:** The budget process for the 2018-19 has been a great opportunity to learn about the Grantham School District history, needs, resources, and opportunities in order to look at how we can best allocate our funds for our pre-K-12 students. We have taken advantage of grants -- both at the state and federal level -- in order to ensure that we're tapping into as many resources for revenue as we can. These grants have and/or will be utilized for everything from technology to Title I services for our students, to additional training for our wonderful employees. The adequacy funding changes from the state -- including the upcoming addition of increased Kindergarten funding -- cause funding to appear to fluctuate more than it really does, which it's so important to look carefully at the voted budget and actual tax rates.
- **Policy Work:** Thanks to comprehensive work initiated by the Board last year in consultation with Dr. Brent Kay, the District is now in the process of reviewing and streamlining all policies. Each month, the Board reviews policies for a 1st and then a 2nd reading, followed by revision and then adoption, to make sure that all policies are current in addition to being user friendly. The goal of policies is to clearly guide everyone in the Grantham community towards the District philosophy and practice, so the easier they are to access, read, and understand, the

better knowledge we'll have about how to handle the varied situations that arise.

- **Legislative work this year with DOE:** The New Hampshire Department of Education has seen unprecedented legislation both this year and last, with over 100 education-related bills coming forward in the 2018 session. As Superintendent, it is crucial that I'm able to stay apprised of the legislative happenings in order to better inform the Board and Grantham community. We were fortunate to have one of our local representatives, Linda Tanner, spoke at our public forum on one of the current bills, and the Board is grateful for the information she provided.

I have had the opportunity to meet many of you throughout meetings and public events, but I hope to be able to continue to build my relationships within the Grantham community. Please feel free to contact me at the SAU so we can set up a time to get to know each other and talk about what in my opinion is Grantham's greatest resource -- our children.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sydney D. Leggett, Superintendent
Grantham School District, SAU 75



**Spelling Bee Winners
Finley MacMartin and runner up Colby Fratzel**

Principal's Report January 2018

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 with pleasure and pride that I share some highlights of the past year at Grantham Village School. This year at GVS we welcomed a number of new families. We have enrolled 24 new students in addition to our 24 kindergarten students. We are delighted to have some fantastic new staff members this year: Karen Coronis (Speech Language Pathologist), Jennifer Brown (paraeducator), James Benoit (Custodian), Breyana Carey (HAWKS After School Program Assistant Director), Katia Ford (HAWKS After School Program Staff), Rachel Cahn (HAWKS After School Program Staff).

This year at GVS we have continued to work on key areas essential to student growth:

- Curriculum development and alignment
- Competency based learning
- Increasing student achievement in reading, writing, math and science
- Increasing opportunities for authentic science instruction
- Increasing opportunities for environmental science instruction utilizing the Gale Schmidt Outdoor Classroom
- Differentiating instruction to support all learners
- Implementing trauma informed instructional practices
- Maintaining a positive and productive school culture
- Integrating technology
- Supporting and promoting unified arts
- Connecting with and giving back to our community

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment:

Over the past year, we have focused much of our curriculum work on competency based learning. Competency based learning is a system of instruction, assessment and reporting that is based on student demonstration of knowledge and skills. We don't find the average of a set of grades, but instead work with a student until they are able to demonstrate mastery. The faculty has developed competency based report cards which go home on a trimester schedule and conduct parent teacher conferences twice per year. This year, our entire staff is reading, discussing and implementing strategies from a book called *The Formative Five: Fostering Grit, Empathy, and Other Success Skills Every Student Needs* by Thomas R. Hoerr. This book focuses on skills our students will need to be successful throughout their school and work lives. These skills work in harmony with the competencies we developed for our report card around work habits in support of our school pledge:

HAWKS = Habits + Accountability + Work Ethic + Kindness + Self-Control

GVS Pledge

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!

Making the transition from GVS to the Lebanon Middle School (LMS) is a big change! This year's seventh graders were the first group to take part in a new transition plan. Working with Dr. Steve Atkins, psychologist, students spent a few days learning about some of the social issues such as bullying that could impact them at middle school. Dr. Atkins also held a parent presentation and just recently conducted training on bullying with GVS staff. Collaborating with LMS Principal, Dr. John D'Entremont, we hosted a special transition event inviting all of the LMS sixth graders to spend a day at GVS engaging in team building activities with our sixth graders. Our students were invited to a dance/activity night at LMS as well. We are hoping to make this an annual tradition!

As a faculty, we continue to regularly examine assessment data and reflect on best practices to ensure that each of these programs and curriculum changes maximize the growth of our students.

Assessment Results: Last spring our students in grades 3 - 6 took part in the new statewide Smarter Balanced Assessment for the third time. Our students performed well overall. Please note that our sample sizes are small which makes it difficult to compare. As a faculty, however, we are able to examine the data in a meaningful way to inform instruction.

Smarter Balanced Assessment - Number of Students Tested and Percent of Students at Level 3 - Proficient or Advanced for Students in Grantham Village School With State Result Comparison, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017.

Grade	Content Area	2014-2015			2015-2016			2016-2017		
		#	GVS %	NH %	#	GVS%	NH%	#	GVS%	NH%
3	Reading	36	78	55	34	85	56	24	96	54
	Mathematics	36	58	53	34	85	57	24	85	56
4	Reading	37	81	56	36	83	57	32	83	56
	Mathematics	38	79	49	36	83	51	32	91	52
5	Reading	41	85	63	40	88	63	33	79	61
	Mathematics	41	80	45	40	90	48	33	94	46
6	Reading	24	88	57	39	90	59	37	81	57
	Mathematics	24	96	46	39	90	47	37	84	46

If you are interested in looking at more specific breakdowns of the scores, you are welcome to visit the NH Department of Education website: <https://my.doe.nh.gov/profiles/profile.aspx?oid=&s=&d=211&year=2017&tab=testresults>

Last May, our fourth grade students completed the Science NECAP exam. This was the last time the state administered this exam. The following chart summarizes the results. As you can see 97% of our students scored at the proficient or proficient with distinction level. This is significantly above the state average and much higher than last year.

*Percentages may not total exactly 100% due to applied rounding.

Achievement Level	Count	GVS Percentage %*	State of NH Percentage %
Proficient with Distinction	3	9	2
Proficient	29	88	35
Partially Proficient	3	3	46
Substantially Below Proficient	0	0	18

Test scores are only one way to look at the quality of a school. The best way to learn about GVS is to visit us and see for yourself - contact me any time for a personal tour. If you are interested how GVS compares to other schools, check out www.schooligger.com, <https://www.niche.com/k12/grantham-village-school-grantham-nh/> or this recent article in the NY Times: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2017/12/05/upshot/a-better-way-to-compare-public-schools.html?action=click&module=Editors>

Technology: Technology at GVS has matured into an integral aspect of every classroom curriculum - we are a 1:1 school from grades 1-6 with iPads and Chromebooks. Technology instruction provided by Randy Britton, our Technology Education Teacher Leader (TETL) focuses on digital citizenship and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) literacy. There is so much more to share about this wonderful school! Please be sure to check out the GVS website www.gvshawks.org to stay up to date on all of the wonderful learning that takes place each day. Thank you for all that you do to help us to provide the best education possible for the children of Grantham!

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Cantagallo
Principal



**Grantham School District Enrollments
Grantham Village School, Lebanon Middle and High Schools as of February 1, 2018**

Grantham Village School

Kindergarten - 24
1st Grade - 28 2nd Grade - 33
3rd Grade - 25 4th Grade - 26
5th Grade - 33 6th Grade - 37
Total Students - 206

Lebanon Middle School

7th Grade - 38
8th Grade - 36
Total Students - 74

Lebanon High School

9th Grade - 27 10th Grade - 42
11th Grade - 26 12th Grade - 32
Total Students - 127

Note: Individual names of student have intentionally been excluded in this Annual Report due to the awareness that providing student names may be a safety concern for some. This has become best practice in education and Grantham School District has adopted this approach.



Enjoying Mother Nature's gift at recess.

Moderator Approved Rules for 2018

Grantham School District Meeting

No article may be brought up for reconsideration unless it is brought up immediately after the vote has been determined and announced.

Passing over an article is not in the spirit of the meeting and will be ruled out of order.

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.

Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify herself or himself.

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)

All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to the vote of the amendment.



**Geography Bee Winners
Finley MacMartin and runner up Anna Mae Hayward**

**Grantham School District
New Hampshire**

**Warrant
2018**

To the inhabitants of the town of Grantham School District in the County of Sullivan in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in school district affairs are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Tuesday, March 6, 2018
 Time: 6:30 p.m.
 Location: Grantham Village School Gymnasium, 75 Learning Drive, Grantham, NH

Article 1: To Hear Reports

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

Article 2: Main Operating Budget

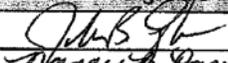
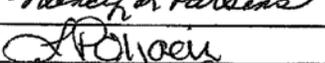
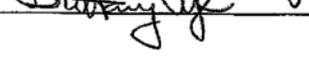
To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$9,429,025 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

Article 3: Appropriate Unspent Budget Funds

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum up to \$50,000 to be added to the Tuition Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, if available. No amount to be raised from taxation. (School Board Recommendation needed) (Majority vote required)

Article 4: Any Other Business

To transact any further business to come before this annual meeting.

Given under our hands, February 6, 2018		
We certify and attest that on or before February 6, 2018, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the town hall, GVS website, post office and delivered the original to the Superintendent of Schools.		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
John Eylander	School Board Chair	
Nancy Parsons	School Board Vice-Chair	
Jodie Poljacik	School Board Secretary	
Christine Conroy	School Board Member	
Brittany Pye	School Board Member	

**Town of Grantham, New Hampshire
Grantham School District Warrant 2018**

March 13, 2018

Sullivan County, S.S.

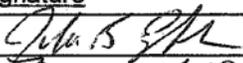
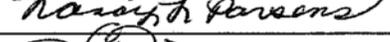
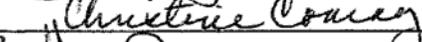
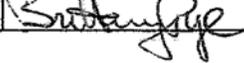
To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, (School District) in the County of Sullivan and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, Grantham Municipal Building located at 300 Route 10S, Grantham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, 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 Member 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 6, 2018** at the Grantham Village School Gymnasium, 75 Learning Drive, Grantham, New Hampshire.

Given under our hands and seals at Grantham this 6th day of February, 2018.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Signature</u>
John Eylander	School Board Chair	
Nancy Parsons	School Board Vice-Chair	
Jodie Poljacik	School Board Secretary	
Christine Conroy	School Board Member	
Brittany Pye	School Board Member	



New Hampshire
 Department of
 Revenue Administration

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School Budget Form
Grantham School District

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from:
 July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: February 6, 2018

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.

Name	Position
John Eylander	School Board Chair
Nancy Parsons	School Board Vice-Chair
Christine Conroy	School Board Member
Brittany Pye	School Board Member
Jodie Poljacik	School Board Secretary

Signature

John Eylander
Nancy Parsons
Christine Conroy
Brittany Pye
Jodie Poljacik



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Account	Purpose	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	\$4,905,404	\$5,082,157	\$5,302,814	\$0
1200-1299	Special Programs	2	\$989,302	\$1,166,775	\$1,218,380	\$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
Instruction Subtotal			\$5,894,706	\$6,248,932	\$6,521,194	\$0
Support Services						
2000-2199	Student Support Services	2	\$354,420	\$399,792	\$430,554	\$0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	2	\$218,755	\$269,963	\$269,983	\$0
Support Services Subtotal			\$573,175	\$669,755	\$700,537	\$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	\$39,757	\$39,943	\$40,912	\$0
General Administration Subtotal			\$39,757	\$39,943	\$40,912	\$0
Executive Administration						
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services	2	\$276,395	\$289,155	\$329,402	\$0
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	2	\$288,643	\$307,337	\$292,120	\$0
2500-2599	Business		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	2	\$415,108	\$463,545	\$498,271	\$0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	2	\$214,592	\$228,493	\$234,723	\$0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Executive Administration Subtotal			\$1,194,738	\$1,288,530	\$1,354,516	\$0
Non-Instructional Services						
3100	Food Service Operations	2	\$93,288	\$104,215	\$109,284	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Non-Instructional Services Subtotal			\$93,288	\$104,215	\$109,284	\$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
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Other Outlays						
5110	Debt Service - Principal	2	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest	2	\$243,769	\$194,018	\$176,082	\$0
Other Outlays Subtotal			\$598,769	\$549,018	\$531,082	\$0

Fund Transfers						
5220-5221	To Food Service	2	\$13,500	\$10,000	\$23,500	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	2	\$127,305	\$104,800	\$148,000	\$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
Fund Transfers Subtotal			\$140,805	\$114,800	\$171,500	\$0

Total Operating Budget Appropriations			\$8,535,238	\$9,015,193	\$9,429,025	\$0

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
5252	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	3	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Appropriate Unspent Budget Funds</i>						
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
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
Total Proposed Individual Articles						

Account	Source	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	\$3,989	\$1,500	\$9,000
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	2	\$51,266	\$74,500	\$74,500
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	2	\$590	\$33,800	\$77,000
Local Sources Subtotal			\$55,845	\$109,800	\$160,500
State Sources					
3210	School Building Aid	2	\$107,513	\$107,513	\$107,513
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid	2	\$0	\$0	\$26,400
3230	Catastrophic Aid	2	\$39,141	\$36,536	\$30,928
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	2	\$768	\$7,715	\$7,715
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$147,422	\$151,764	\$172,556
Federal Sources					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants	2	\$11,691	\$6,000	\$6,000
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	2	\$14,595	\$22,000	\$27,069
4570	Disabilities Programs	2	\$40,192	\$45,000	\$45,000
4580	Medicaid Distribution		\$0	\$0	\$0
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)	2	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
4810	Federal Forest Reserve		\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Sources Subtotal			\$66,478	\$93,000	\$98,069
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		\$0	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	3	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	2	\$0	\$789,768	\$125,000
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$789,768	\$175,000

Total Estimated Revenues and Credits	\$269,745	\$1,144,332	\$606,125
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Budget Summary

Item	Current Year	Ensuing FY (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$9,115,193	\$9,429,025
Special Warrant Articles	\$0	\$50,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$0	\$0
Total Appropriations	\$9,115,193	\$9,479,025
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,144,332	\$606,125
Less Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	\$1,595,645	\$1,573,029
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$6,375,216	\$7,299,871

**GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING
March 7, 2017**

Moderator: Carl Hanson

District Officers:

Carolyn Simon, School Board Chair
John Eylander, School Board Vice-Chair
Nan Parsons, School Board Secretary
Christine Conroy, School Board
Jodie Jones-Poljacik, School Board

Resident Officials:

Jacqueline Guillette, Superintendent of Schools, SAU 75
Maren Ardell, Director Special Education

Non –Resident Officials:

Heather Cantagallo, Principal, Grantham Village School
Allen Damren, District Business Administrator
Erin Feltes, District Legal Counsel

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM at the Grantham Village School, and introduced himself, the meeting having been duly warranted. He then introduced the members of the school board, other School District Officers, and members of the school administration. A moment of silence was given in memory of Dwight Wilder, former School District Clerk. The moderator appointed Brenda Molloy as District Clerk Tempore.

The Moderator read Article 1: **To hear the reports of the agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.** Mrs. Simon moved the adoption of Article 1 with Ms. Parsons seconding. Superintendent Guillette announced the Grantham School District Audit report will be available on the district website on Wednesday. **There were no objections to Article 1 and was thereby passed by consensus and so declared.**

The Moderator read Article 2: **To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ NINE MILLION, FIFTEEN THOUSAND and ONE HUNDRED NINETY-THREE DOLLARS (\$9,015,193) 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).** Mr. Eylander moved the adoption of Article 2. Mrs. Jones-Poljacik seconded. Mrs. Simon opened the discussion of the article by

thanking the faculty, staff, parents, volunteers and community for their support of Grantham Village School over the years. Mrs. Simon acknowledged Superintendent Guillette who is retiring after 5 years and thanked her for her work with the school board as well as her achievements with the strengthening of the school curriculum, supporting the staff professional development and attaining a ranking of our elementary school as being fourth in the state of New Hampshire. Mrs. Simon informed the audience that the search for a new superintendent is well underway. She also called attention to the return of the unassigned fund balance to the tax payers for the past 4 years to help lower the tax rate which was accomplished through careful budget planning and prudent spending practices. The Gale Schmidt Outdoor Classroom building was established at Grantham Village School this past year through the generous donations and grants from community and businesses without using tax payer funds. The Gale Schmidt Outdoor Classroom will serve as a natural setting in which students, staff, and the community will be able to observe and increase their knowledge and level of science in the outdoor world. An efficacy assessment was conducted of the school board during the past year with a main objective of aligning the board goals with those of the school. This efficacy assessment provides segue to completing the new district long-range strategic plan. The board has addressed many areas of the school this year including repairing the tennis courts, playground, and adding outside lights as well as cameras in the parking lot and the hallways to further ensure the safety the staff and children. She also noted that the school building is used 7 days a week during the evening with various sports teams, activities and clubs. Ms. Parsons reviewed the board's process for developing a budget while always being fiscally responsible to the community and still providing the best education for our students. She noted the budget remains stable and no new programs or staff has been added. Mrs. Conroy explained the continuous improvement process for Grantham Village School students in the areas of Smarter Balance Assessment Tests. Mrs. Conroy stated that through community support of the budget we are able to provide well-qualified and well-trained teachers and staff for our students to achieve these wonderful results. Mr. Eylander noted that in addition to the regular tuition for 2017-2018 to Lebanon School District of \$3,155,050 the board included \$25,000 in tuition for five students who attend the Ledyard Charter Public School. This results in a total net increase of 1% to the tuition budget. Mr. Eylander reviewed budget increases to health insurance rates (10.6%), salaries (contracted 3.92%), retirement rates (11%) and Special Education (9%) as major drivers of the budget. Mr. Eylander further explained the impact of the 2017-2018 proposed budget on the tax rate for fall 2017 to be \$17.18 which equates to \$250 increase on a \$250,000 home. The moderator called for any questions or comments on Article 2. There being none, he called for a vote. **Article 2 was adopted by unanimous voice vote and so declared.**

Article 3: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum up to \$ ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from the June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, if available. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required) (School Board Recommendation needed). John Eylander moved the adoption of Article 3. Christine Conroy seconded. Mr. Eylander clarified that the article asks the community to put an up to amount of \$100,000 from unexpended, unassigned fund balance at the end of this June

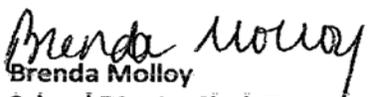
2017 in the Special Education Trust Fund. Mr. Eylander further explained that Special Education is a very volatile area of the budget and adding to the trust fund helps cover any deficit for any unforeseen special education needs in the future. The moderator called for any questions or comments on Article 3. There being none, he called for a vote. **Article 3 was adopted by unanimous voice vote and so declared.**

Article 4: To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting.

Nancy Parsons moved the article. John Eylander seconded. The moderator called for any questions or comments. Mr. Merle Schotanus recognized Jacqui Guillette who is retiring as Superintendent and asked the audience for a round of applause to thank her for her outstanding dedication to the Grantham School District. Mr. Eylander congratulated Mrs. Guillette on her retirement and thanked her for the past 5 years of tremendous leadership as Superintendent of Grantham School District. Mr. Eylander also recognized outgoing Board Chair Carolyn Simon for her 6 years of dedication to the board. Sue Buchanen asked the board how the changes in our behavior specialist are benefitting the special education programs now. Mrs. Maren Ardell noted the model services used in special education are changed depending on the needs of the students. The behavior services model now used is covered by outside contracted services as a less expensive way to get a higher level of service. Mrs. Claudia Hoffman, Olde Farms Road, commented that her son utilizes the behavior services at GVS and she is very happy with the program from last year as well as the new services this year. Mrs. Hoffman stated that she is grateful for the special education team at GVS as her son has flourished since entering GVS. The moderator called for any questions or comments on Article 4. There being none, he called for a vote. **Article 4 was passed and adopted by unanimous voice vote and so declared.**

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm by unanimous consent.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brenda Molloy
School District Clerk Tempore

Grantham Town Meeting

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 5pm

Grantham Town Building, Lower Level

300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH

Election of Town Officials by ballot; polls open 10am—7pm

Grantham School District Meeting

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 6:30pm

Grantham Village School Gymnasium

75 Learning Drive, Grantham, NH

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