



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire



WELCOME TO GOFFSTOWN

In 2015 the Goffstown Economic Development Council and Goffstown Board of Selectmen worked together to install a “Welcome to Goffstown” sign on NH Route 114 at the Goffstown/Bedford town line. The decision to install this sign was part of the Town’s ongoing economic development efforts. The sign helps distinguish Goffstown from the neighboring municipalities and welcome people and businesses to Goffstown.

PUBLIC NOTICE DIVISION OF INVOLUNTARILY MERGED LOTS (NH RSA 674:39-aa)

Lots or parcels involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

- (a) The request is submitted to the Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016.
- (b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. “Voluntarily merged” means a merger under NH RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

DEDICATION



REV. WILLIAM EDWARD EXNER

The Rev. William Edward Exner was born in Clifton Springs, New York on April 8, 1954. He grew up in upstate New York where his family was active at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Fairport, New York. St. Luke's became his sponsoring parish for ordination to the diaconate after earning his Masters of Divinity degree at The Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1981. Exner was priested in 1982 at Trinity Church Watertown New York where he served as Curate and as Vicar of Christ Church Sacketts Harbor. While there he and his wife Jane Bluhm Exner began raising a family of four children, Ellen, Joseph, Stephen, and Anna, before coming to New Hampshire in 1985. Exner began his ministry as Rector of St. Matthew's Church on September 1, 1985 where he served faithfully until June 12, 2016. During that time the parish grew in numbers and spirit. In 1987 the altar window was discovered and restored. In 1989 the accessibility ramp was designed and built by local members and friends. In 2002 the Parish House was built to serve the needs of the church, food pantry and local service organizations. In 2010 St. Matthew's Community Clothing Center was established in the 9 North Mast Building which St. Matthew's purchased with diocesan Advance Fund loans and generous member support in 1999. The ministries of outreach, music, spiritual formation and fellowship were strengthened by Exner's leadership and through the witness of committed members throughout his tenure.

St. Matthew's emphasis on being an intentionally inclusive parish dedicated to worship and outreach sustained its steady growth and reputation. With the encouragement of parish leadership Exner served the community by supporting public schools and local youth programs like Crispin's House on whose Board he served for two decades. He also witnessed to social justice concerns statewide, nationally and internationally by chairing the Diocesan Outreach Commission, achieving Sr. Deputy status with the Diocesan Deputation to General Convention and by serving as Vice Chair of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship and representing it on The Consultation.

He and his wife Jane enjoyed a 31 year long relationship with the people of St. Matthew's, each year creative and rewarding. Jane's generosity in offering her business experience, musical skills, friendship and commitment to children contributed greatly to the vitality and spirit of the parish along the way. He retired thankful to God and upheld by a long, grace filled experience as Rector of St. Matthew's Church.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE



CAPTAIN STEVE TOWER

Captain Steve Tower retired from the Goffstown Fire Department as the Department's Training Captain. Captain Tower's last shift was Friday, May 22nd after 30 years of dedicated service.



LIEUTENANT ERIC BATTEY

Lieutenant Eric Battey retired from the Goffstown Fire Department after his last shift on Friday, June 12th. Lt. Battey provided 27 years of dedicated service.

IN MEMORIAM

GILLIS L. UPTON

October 19, 2015

Call Firefighter, Capt. Station 17

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TOWN INFORMATION

In 1734 Goffstown and West Manchester were designated as Narragansett No. 4 but the settlement of the town did not begin in earnest until the 1740s. The Town of Goffstown, incorporated 1761, is named for Colonel John Goffe, an early settler, soldier, and civic leader. Goffstown was originally a farming community. As the town was settled during the 1760s, the timber that was cleared was used in building ships. Oxen drew the wood to the village of Piscataquog and from there it was floated by raft to Newburyport, Massachusetts. The oxen route became known as Mast Road, now the main road through town.

Goffstown is located at 43° 01' N and 71° 36' W in Hillsborough County nine miles west of Manchester on NH Route 114; north of Bedford on Route 114; east of New Boston on Route 13; south of Weare on Route 114; and 16 miles from Concord, the state capital of New Hampshire. The town has three boroughs or regions: Goffstown Village, Grasmere Village and Pinardville.

The Town has a population of approximately 18,000 and occupies approximately 36.9 square miles. Town Hall elevation is 306' above sea level, and the top of Mt. Uncanoonuc is 1,321' above sea level.

A five member Board of Selectmen governs Goffstown. Legislative policy, including passage of the Town Budget, is determined by the Annual Town Meeting. At the 1996 Annual Meeting residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional town meeting to a ballot determination meeting in February followed by an official ballot the second Tuesday in March.

TOWN HALL: Located at 16 Main Street, the Town Hall houses the following offices: Administration/Selectmen, Assessing, Building, Finance, Information Technology, Planning & Zoning, Sewer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk. Town Hall office hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Town Clerk: Voter registration is with the Supervisors of the Checklist or Town Clerk. To register to vote, one must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen and a resident of Goffstown. New voter registrations for local, state and federal elections may be done at the polls on Election Day. For eligibility to vote at the Ballot Determination Meeting you must register 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for all elections.

Dog licenses expire on April 30 each year. A dog must be licensed at 4 months of age. A rabies certificate is required. Fees are \$6.50 for neutered pets, \$9.00 unaltered. Additional penalties are assessed as of June 1 for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registrations, initiated at the Town Clerk's office, are due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Registration decals are available for an additional fee of \$3.00. Passenger, motorcycle, trailer and tractor plates are also available in this office. The Town is on-line with NH Division of Motor Vehicles to provide a full range of motor vehicle registration services, including boat registrations. You must present your driver's license and your state issued renewal form, or previous registration.

Property Taxes: Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. The tax rate for 2015 was \$28.16 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, an increase \$1.16 per thousand from 2014.

Zoning: The Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Goffstown was originally adopted and made effective on March 14, 1961. The Ordinance regulates land use in town and zoning amendments are adopted at the Annual Town Meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The Fire Department provides services to the community from three (3) facilities that are located throughout the Town. Fire Stations are located on Tirrell Hill Road in East Goffstown, Church Street in the Village and Mast Road in Pinardville. The Department's Administration Office is located at the Village Fire Station and can be contacted by calling 497-3619.

POLICE: The Goffstown Police Department is located on Route 114 across from the State Prison for Women. The department provides emergency response to a variety of situations within the community 24 hours a day.

PUBLIC WORKS: The Public Works Department is located at 404 Elm Street adjacent to the Transfer Station facility. Its office is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm. The Transfer Station for solid wastes and recyclables is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Curbside solid waste and recycling pickups are once a week.

LIBRARY: The Goffstown Public Library is located at the intersection of Main Street (Route 114), High Street and Elm Street adjacent to the historic Popcorn Stand. The library is open Monday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Saturday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm during the school year. Check our web site at www.goffstownlibrary.com for more information, or call us at 497-2102.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.: The Parks and Recreation Center is located at 155 S. Mast Street with meeting rooms and gymnasium for activities. The Department provides two supervised playgrounds with excellent summer programs, two public swimming pools, seven public tennis courts, athletic fields, a running track, an outdoor ice-skating area, and a skateboard park. Extensive recreational activities for youth and adults are offered year-round.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: An elected 9 member School Board governs the Goffstown School District; the Annual School District Meeting determines its budget. At the 1996 Annual Meeting voters passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. School Department Offices are located in the White Building at 11 School St. in Goffstown Village. The Superintendent of Schools serves the school districts of Goffstown and New Boston. The public schools within Goffstown School District consists of three (3) elementary schools – Glen Lake School at 251 Elm St. (pre-school and kindergarten); Maple Avenue Elementary School in the Village and Bartlett Elementary School in Pinardville (grades 1-4); Mountain View Middle School, located at 41 Lauren Lane, (grades 5-8); and Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Rd. (grades 9-12). Mountain View Middle School and Goffstown High School accept tuition students from the New Boston School District.

BOARD & COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Selectmen

Beginning March 2016, Second and Fourth Monday (or as needed) at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall, except Holidays

Budget Committee

Third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall
(usually does not meet in July or August)

Community Access Cable TV Committee

Second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Capital Improvements Program Committee

June through Sept. on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. (as needed)

Conservation Commission

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Economic Development Council

First Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Highway Safety Committee

Quarterly as needed

Historic District Commission

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall or as designated

Library Trustees

Third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Goffstown Library

Parks & Recreation Commission

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Parks & Recreation Building

Planning Board

Second & Fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

School Board

First & Third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Goffstown High School

Sewer Commission

Second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Solid Waste Commission

As needed

Trustees of the Trust Fund

Second Tuesday of even numbered months at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall

Zoning Board of Adjustment

First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Goffstown Town Hall

PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

Governor

Maggie Hassan

United States Senators

Kelly Ayotte

Jeanne Shaheen

Representative in US Congress

1st District

Frank Guinta

Executive Councilor – District 4

Christopher C. Pappas

State Senator – District 20

Lou D'Allesandro

Representatives to General Court

District 6

Rick Christie

Barbara Griffin

David W. Pierce

Claire Rouillard

Nick Zaricki

Representatives to General Court District 39

John A. Burt

Board of Selectmen

Collis G. Adams 2018

Mark T. Lemay, *Vice-Chairman* 2018

John Allen Brown 2016

Scott Gross 2016

Peter Georgantas, *Chairman* 2017

Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark 2016

Town Clerk

Cathy Ball 2017

Administrative Officers

Sue Desruisseaux, MPA, *Town Administrator, Deputy Treasurer*

Robert C. Browne, *Police Chief*

Richard O'Brien, *Fire Chief, Emergency*

Management Director & Forest Fire Warden

Adam Jacobs, *Public Works Director*

Rick Wilhelmi, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Derek Horne, *Assistant Town Administrator,*

Economic Development Coordinator

Don Borrer, *Finance Director / Treasurer*

Evelyn Redmond, *Welfare Officer*

Gail Lavallee, *Tax Collector*

Renee Millson, *Deputy Tax Collector*

Karen LeClerc, *Deputy Town Clerk*

Scott Bartlett, CNHA, *Assessor*

Marc Tessier, *Building Inspector, Building*

Code Enforcement Officer, & Health Officer

Brian K. Rose, AICP, *Planning & Zoning*

Administrator

Neil Funcke, MS, *IT Director*

Kevin Laroche, *Prosecutor*

Paul Fitzgerald and William Drescher, *Town*

Counsel

ADA Compliance Committee

Susan Desruisseaux, *Coordinator*

Bruce Buttrick 2016

Jean Mayberry 2018

Barbara Dexter, *Disabled* 2016

Community Rep.

Vacant, *Business Community Rep.* 2018

Vacant, *Medical Community Rep.* 2017

Virginia McKinnon, *School Board Rep.*

Budget Committee

Elizabeth Dubrulle, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
David French	2017
Craig Campbell	2017
David Pierce	2017
Dennis Lynch	2018
Michael T. Smith	2018
Bryan Fournier	2018
Angela MacKenzie	2018
Ruth E. Gage	2016
Elizabeth Mitchell	2016
Richard "Lee" Sperry Jr.	2016
Joseph S. Spoerl	2016
Peter Georgantas, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Dian McCarthy, <i>School Budget Rep.</i>	
Richard Fletcher, <i>Goffstown Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	
Unassigned, <i>Grasmere Village Precinct</i>	

Building Board of Appeals

Gary Meehan	2017
Thomas R. Hanley	2017
Mark Collins	2018
Bruce Buttrick	2018
Arthur W. Rose, Jr.	2016
Nancy J. Nichols, <i>Alternate</i>	2018
2 <i>Alternate Vacancies</i>	

Cable TV Community Access Committee

Brian Salyards	2017
Charles Minnich, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Bradford Parkhurst	2018
Barbara Doody, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
4 <i>Vacancies</i>	
2 <i>Alternate Vacancies</i>	
Neil Funcke, <i>Government Advisor</i>	
Gary Girolimon, <i>School District Rep</i>	
Adam McCune, <i>PEG Coordinator</i>	

Cemetery Trustees

Jean Walker, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Joan Konieczny	2018
Linda Reynolds Naughton	2017

C.I.P. Committee

Tim Redmond, <i>Planning Board</i>	2016
<i>Rep.Chairman</i>	
Barbara Griffin, , <i>Planning Board</i>	2016
<i>Rep.Alt.</i>	
Earl S. Carrel, <i>Vice Chairman,</i>	2016
<i>Community Rep.</i>	
Gail Labrecque, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2016
Raymond Labore, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2016
Peter Georgantas, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	2016
Elizabeth Dubrulle, <i>Budget Comm. Rep.</i>	2016
Liz Mitchell, <i>Budget Comm. Alt. Rep.</i>	2016
Ben Hampton, <i>School Board Rep.</i>	2016
Heather Trzepacz, <i>School Board Alt. Rep.</i>	2015
Brian K. Rose, AICP, <i>Planning & Zoning Administrator</i>	2016
Don Borrer, <i>Finance Advisor</i>	2016
1 <i>Vacant Community Rep.</i>	2016

Conservation Commission

Jean Walker, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Susan Tucker, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2017
Charles Freiburger	2017
Evelyn Miller	2018
Karen McRae, <i>Treasurer</i>	2018
Amy Pollock	2018
David Nieman	2016
Kimberly Peace, <i>Alternate,</i>	2016
Barbara Schult	2018

Economic Development Council

Stephen Langley, <i>Chairman</i>	2018
Charlie Tentas, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2017
Bryan Fournier	2016
Tim Redmond	2016
Andrew Cadorette	2017
Cheryl Anderson	2018
Catherine Whooten, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Alternate</i>	2018
Mark T. Lemay, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Derek Horne, <i>Town Administrator Rep.</i>	
Chris Nadeau, <i>Planning Board Rep.</i>	

Goffstown Village Water Precinct

Allen D. Gamans, Jr., <i>Chairman</i>	2020
Henry C. Boyle, <i>Treasurer</i>	2018
Richard Coughlin	2017
Richard Fletcher	2019
Raymond Taber	2016
Marlene Gamans, <i>Moderator</i>	2016
Arlene Fletcher, <i>Treasurer</i>	2016
Linda Reynolds Naughton, <i>Clerk</i>	2016

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Christine "Tina" Daniels, <i>Chairman</i>	2018
Raymond St. Pierre	2016
Earl Wajenberg	2017
Diane Rand, <i>Clerk</i>	2016
Bruce Rand, <i>Treasurer</i>	2016

Highway Safety Committee

Robert C. Browne, <i>Police Chief, Chairman</i>	
Ruth E. Gage, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2018
Brian K. Rose, AICP, <i>Town Planner</i>	
Adam Jacobs, <i>Public Works Director</i>	
John A. Brown, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	

Historic District Commission

Ruth Gage, <i>Chairman</i>	2018
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2018
Mark Collins	2016
Lionel Coulon, <i>Corresponding Sec.</i>	2018
Mary Sullivan, <i>Recording Sec.</i>	2017
Rodney Stark, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Elizabeth Dubrulle, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Mark Lemay, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	2016
Derek Horne, <i>Asst. Town Administrator</i>	
Sandy Whipple, <i>Library Rep.</i>	
<i>1 Vacant Member</i>	
<i>3 Vacant Alternate Positions</i>	

Library Trustees

Michael Lawler, <i>Chairman</i>	2017
Suzanne Riel, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2016
Kathy Coughlin	2017
Carl Foley	2018
Kathleen Holt	2018
Gary Meehan	2016
Kurt Huxel, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
Lisa Iodice, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
Peter Georgantas, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Dianne Hathaway, <i>Director</i>	
<i>1 Vacant Alternate Position</i>	

Parks & Recreation Commission

Howard Sobolov, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Jane A. Steckowych, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2016
Kevin Daigle	2017
Liza Dubois	2017
Gary Gendron	2018
Peter J. Hooker	2016
Brad Parkhurst	2018
Scott Gross, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Rick Wilhelmi, <i>Parks & Recreation Director</i>	
<i>1 Alternate Vacancy</i>	

Piscataquog Rivershed Local Advisory Committee

Andrew Cadorette	2018
Alan Garfield	2017
<i>1 Vacancy</i>	

Planning Board

Barbara Griffin, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2017
Christopher Nadeau	2016
Kimberly Peace	2018
Tim Redmond	2018
James Raymond	2017
Michael Conlon, <i>Alternate</i>	2017
Donna Pinard, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
Collis Adams, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Brian K. Rose, AICP, <i>Town Planner</i>	
<i>3 Alt. Vacancies</i>	

Rails to Trails Committee

David Pierce, *Chairman, Friends of Goffstown Rail Trail Rep.*
 Raymond Taber, *Community Rep.*
 Lowell von Ruden, *Friends of Goffstown Rail Trail Rep.*
 Lt. Bill Connor, *Fire Department*
 Rick Wilhelmi, *Parks & Rec. Dept.*
 Robert C. Browne, *Police Dept.*
 Meghan Theriault, *Public Works Dept.*

John A. Brown, *Selectmen Rep.*
 Sue Desruisseaux, *Admin. Rep.*
 1 Vacancy *Community Rep.*

Sewer Commission

Stephen Crean, *Chairman* 2017
 Robert Trzepacz 2016
 Catherine Whooten 2016
 Collis Adams, *Selectmen Rep.*

Solid Waste Commission

Bree Oleson 2017
 Frederick Plett, 2018
 John A. Brown, *Selectman Rep.*
 Unassigned, *Government Advisor*
 8 Vacancies

Southern NH Planning Commission

Henry C. Boyle 2017
 Barbara Griffin 2016
 Jo Ann Duffy, *Alternate* 2018
 2 Alt. Vacancies

Supervisors of the Checklist

Denise Lemay, *Chairman* 2020
 Al Desruisseaux 2016
 Victoria Lemire 2016

Trustee of the Trust Funds

2018 Earl Carrel, *Chairman* 2017
 William Tucker 2016
 2018 Thomas Mulligan 2018
 2017 Laura Paris, *Alternate* 2016
 1 Vacant *Alternate*

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Catherine Whooten 2017
 Alan Yeaton 2017
 JoAnn Duffy, *Chairman* 2018
 Gail Labrecque, *Vice Chairman* 2016
 Jeffrey A. Coventry, *Alternate* 2017
 Cathy Champagne, *Alternate* 2017
 Leonard Stuart, *Alternate* 2017
 Emily Sandblade, *Alternate* 2016
 1 *Alternate Vacancy*

Transportation Oversight Ad Hoc Committee

Barbara Carbonneau, *Petitioner Rep.* 2017
 Jean Mazzarella, *Petitioner Rep.* 2017
 Ryan Renauld-Smith, *MTA Rep.*
 Peter Georgantas, *Selectmen Rep.*
 Sue Desruisseaux, *Town Administrator*

David Pierce	2019	School District Administration S.A.U. #19
School Board		Brian Balke, <i>Superintendent</i>
Dian McCarthy, <i>Chairman</i>	2016	MaryClaire Barry, <i>Assistant Superintendent</i>
Reta Chaffee	2016	Ray Labore, <i>Business Administrator</i>
Benjamin H. Hampton	2016	Kate Magrath, <i>Human Resources Director</i>
Heather Trzepacz	2017	Salina Millora, <i>Director of Special Education</i>
Steven Dutton, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2017	
Jenelle Ann O'Brien	2017	Bartlett Elementary School
Virginia McKinnon	2018	David Bousquet, <i>Principal</i>
Lorry Cloutier	2018	
Keith Allard	2018	Glen Lake School
Jacob Burges, <i>Student Rep.</i>	2016	Leslie T. Doster, <i>Principal</i>
Amy Cruite, <i>Teacher Rep, MVMS</i>	2016	
Kathleen Sargeant, <i>Teacher Rep. GHS</i>	2016	Goffstown High School
		Frank McBride, <i>Principal</i>
		Kim McCann, <i>Assistant Principal</i>
School Clerk	2018	
Jo Ann Duffy		Maple Avenue Elementary School
		Suzanne Pyszka, <i>Principal</i>
School District Moderator	2018	Lisa Johnson, <i>Assistant Principal</i>
James Raymond		
		Mountain View Middle School
School District Treasurer	2018	Wendy Hastings, <i>Principal</i>
Lissa Winrow		Joseph Lane, <i>Assistant Principal</i>

SELECTMEN 2015 ANNUAL REPORT



*Seated L-R: Selectman Scott Gross, Chairman Peter Georgantas, Selectman John Allen Brown
Standing L-R: Vice Chairman Mark Lemay and Selectman Collis Adams*

We look back on 2015 at our challenges and accomplishments. As a town we continue to responsibly manage our budget by carefully balancing costs and providing services our community expects. Municipal debt is low, and unassigned fund balance is healthy at approximately \$5.9 million at the end of 2015.

Each year the Board of Selectmen sets goals to achieve. The 2015 goals covered five major areas: Economic Development; Human Resources; Communications with the Public; Project Management; and Budgets. At this time we would like to report what we accomplished in each area.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: The Board of Selectmen set economic development as a priority goal for 2015. In an effort to achieve this goal, the Board established quarterly meetings with the Economic Development Council (EDC) and continued to have a Selectman representative on EDC. The four Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDs): (1) extend high-pressure gas lines in two phases along Route 14 through the Village; (2) conduct a feasibility study to extend municipal sewer to Daniel Plummer Road and Route 114; and (3) Completion of the Rail Trail; (4) Hillsborough County's study of the reuse of the Women's State Prison were approved by the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA). This approval may open up grant opportunities to achieve these projects.

Selectmen met with EDC and representatives from Northeastern University to review the town's responses to the Economic Development Self Assessment Tool (EDSAT). A report will be issued in 2016 to EDC and Selectmen. This tool will assist the town in developing a comprehensive economic development plan.

HUMAN RESOURCES: During 2015 we negotiated with two unions and successfully reached an agreement with the fire union which will be voted on at the 2016 Town Meeting. This agreement establishes a more sustainable matrix, a flat rate for longevity, an increase in the employee contribution to health insurance incrementally over three years, introduces more choices in plans such as a high deductible plan, eliminates the Blue Choice health insurance plan in 2017, and accelerates vacation schedule while providing a maximum of five weeks vacation. Most importantly it establishes a re-opener on health insurance to avoid the Affordable Care Act “Cadillac Tax” now scheduled for 2020. We also contracted with Municipal Resources Inc. to conduct a wage and classification study of all non-union positions with a report due April 2016.

COMMUNICATION: Communication with the public and with our town committees continues to be an ongoing goal of the Board of Selectmen. Messages are multi-media including press releases and letters to the editors in local newspapers, GTV, website, newsletters and meetings such as the All Boards Meeting. Executive summaries of government meetings continue on the town website as an option to reading the full minutes. Selectmen weekly reading packets continue to be available on the town’s website so that the public can follow along in the meeting. We are quite pleased with GTV’s video on demand service which is available the day after a meeting. At this time social media is being used by most departments. Our IT/Administration Offices have developed a new website design which will be launched in 2016.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT: The Board continues to receive management updates on town projects. MUNIS finance software continues to be implemented. In 2015 the Property Tax Module was implemented. Utility Billing was setup and will be launched in 2016. Future modules to be implemented include Fixed Asset Management, Grant Project Management, Citizen Self Service for Taxes and Utilities, and Employee Self Service. We look forward to the efficiencies offered by these software programs. In July 2015 we initiated a transportation program with Manchester Transit Authority as passed at Town Meeting. The primary goal is to provide transportation services for the elderly and disabled to access medical care. Ridership has been better than expected and quarterly reports can be found on the town’s website.

BUDGET: The Board of Selectmen worked with department heads to allocate the default budget to maximize services within budget. The Board spent significant time preparing a 2016 budget which provides the level of service that taxpayers expect with a minimal impact on the property tax rate.

Congratulations to our Finance staff for an excellent 2014 audit. This is the sixth consecutive year that there has been no Auditor’s Management Letter. Auditors reported that the town is in very good financial shape with a low debt ratio and a very healthy unassigned fund balance. We recognize all our hardworking town employees who help carry out the Board of Selectmen goals and mission given to us by the voters.

We said farewell to long term employees, Captain Steve Tower and Lieutenant Eric Battey, and to Selectman Nicholas Campasano for his years of service. We wish them well. We welcomed Adam Jacobs as the new Public Works Director in May 2015.

Finally, we thank all those citizens who volunteer their valuable time to serve their community.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH

2016 ANNUAL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Goffstown in the County of Hillsborough qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet Wednesday February 3, 2016 at seven o'clock in the evening at Goffstown High School in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. (Snow date for the first session is Thursday, February 4, 2016.)

You are further notified to meet Tuesday, March 8, 2016 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 8, 2016 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the Glossary by changing the definitions of "Dwelling" and "Manufactured Home," and by adding the following new terms: "Dwelling, Accessory," "Dwelling, Single Family," "Modular Housing," and "Pre-site Built Housing" as shown on the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by adding "Conversion of Single Family Dwelling to Duplex" as a new principal use under Section 3.11, Table A – for Residential uses, listing it as a use permitted by Special Exception in the Agricultural, Residential-1, and Residential-2 Districts and as a use permitted by right in the Residential Small Business Office-1, Residential Small Business Office-2, and Village Commercial Districts and as a Use Not Permitted in all other districts?

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by moving the existing principal use "Landscaping Contracting or similar Business" from Section 3.11 Table J - the Agricultural Use Category, to Section 3.11 Table I – the "Manufacturing, Construction and wholesale Trade" category, and changing its status to be a use permitted by Special Exception in the Conservation Open Space and Agricultural district, and remaining the same in all other districts?

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the “maximum number of dwelling units per buildable acre for duplex and multi-family lots” portion of Section 4.3, Table of Dimensional Regulations,” in the Residential-1 and Residential-2 districts where both water and sewer exist so that the allowable density is on a sliding scale for lots smaller than or equal to 3 acres as detailed on the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending existing Section 4.4.1 – Dimensional Standards for Multi-family Dwellings by removing portions of that section and replacing them in new subsections 4.4.1.1 and 4.4.1.2 and by adding another new subsection 4.4.1.3 that states that “the side and rear minimum setbacks for multi-family structures shall be the greater of the underlying setback for that zone or the length of the building side most parallel to that lot line divided by two”? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the following sections regarding signs: Section 6.3 and its subsections, Section 6.4.1, Section 6.5.2, Section 6.6.5, Section 6.8, and Section 6.12 to remove language that suggests that these sign regulations are content-based, and replace them with non-content based requirements as necessary, as detailed more fully in the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 7.5.2 – Construction of Fewer Parking Spaces, by removing and replacing language therein to a new subsection 7.5.2.1 and adding another new subsection 7.5.2.2, which allows for the Planning Board to consider submitted data from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) in determining whether or not a reduction in parking requirements can be allowed, as detailed in the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by adding the following sentence at the end of Section 9.1 – Manufactured Homes, that states: “Modular Housing and other Pre-Site Built Housing as defined in this Ordinance are not subject to the provisions of this Section.”? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 14.7.3 - Use of a Non-conforming lot, by adding a new subsection – 14.7.3.3 that states: “Accessory buildings not creating an additional dwelling unit and not part of the existing principal building on the lot that meet Section 14.7.3.2 shall not require a Special Exception.”? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 14.10 – Abandonment of a Non-conforming Use, by amending its subsection 14.10.3 to allow for the restoration to be within two years in the case of fire or other casualty instead of one year for the use to not be considered abandoned? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “Shall the Town amend the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, which currently reads as follows:

6.6.4 In the Commercial (C) and Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) districts, one portable A-frame sign per business, not to exceed six (6) square feet of sign area per side, may be placed outside the business, within 10 feet of the building’s entry, while the business is open. [Note: Any use of public property requires permission of the Board of Selectmen.] by deleting the words “within 10 feet of the building’s entry” and replacing them with the words “and shall not be placed closer than 10 feet to any property line”?

Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,300,000) (gross budget) for the renovation and expansion of Fire Station #18 (18 Church Street) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,300,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (3/5 ballot vote is required for passage.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-0.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$19,839,912).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Eighty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$7,087,714).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$1,606,262) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations requested in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Four Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Two Dollars (\$422,232) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment:

“Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$19,839,912).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Five Hundred Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$19,516,267), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.” NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-0.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town of Goffstown will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighters of Goffstown, Local 3420, International Association of Firefighters, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2016	\$35,097
2017	\$33,181
2018	\$17,344

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Ninety Seven Dollars (\$35,097) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008. *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$280,000) to purchase the required harnesses and equipment for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and a Jaws of Life. *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$230,000) to purchase a replacement ambulance. *This sum to come from EMS Special Revenue Fund (established in 2006), and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for Goffstown's Road Improvement Program. Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14 which has \$845,000 budgeted for reclamation, resurfacing and crack sealing of roads.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of helping to support Goffstown Waterway Association and Namaske Lake Association efforts to manage milfoil in the upper portion of the Piscataquog River, Glen Lake, and Namaske Lake. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will adopt RSA 41:9-a to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish and amend fees following the procedures outlined in said statute, such authority in effect until rescinded.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will urge that the next President and Congress fight big money politics and restore government of, by, and for the people by championing the We the People agenda:

1. Ban Super PACs and overturn Citizens United
2. Expose secret donors and require full transparency
3. Ban bribes from big-money lobbyists and government contractors
4. Establish small-donor, citizen-funded elections
5. End gerrymandering and modernize voter registration
6. Close loopholes and enforce campaign finance laws

That the New Hampshire State Legislature support concrete legislation to enact the We the People agenda.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to the NH congressional delegation and to Goffstown's state legislators, and to the President of the United States informing them of the instructions from their constituents by the Selectmen within 30 days of the vote.

Submitted by petition.

ARTICLE 25

To hear the reports of Town Officers, Auditors and Committees and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 26

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our Hands and Seal this 18th day of January 2016.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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2015 BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 4, 2015

Moderator Rod Stark called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m.

The following individuals were sworn in as counters: Jane Steckowych, Al Baines and Charlie Tentas.

The following Fire Explorer Color Guard, led the session in the Pledge of Allegiance:

Explorer Lt. Leandra Nault

Mickey Bridgeman

Benjamin Wright

Explorer Chief Patrick O'Brien

Moderator Stark introduced the following:

INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE – Town Clerk Cathy Ball, Scribe Jo Ann Duffy, Assistant Moderator Fred Plett, Chairman Collis Adams, Vice Chairman Nicholas Campasano, Selectman Mark Lemay, Selectmen, Selectman Peter Georgantas, Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux, and Assistant Town Administrator Derek Horne.

RECOGNITION OF DIGNITARIES WHO MAY BE IN THE AUDIENCE: Budget Committee Members: Elected Members – Chairman Elizabeth Dubrulle, Vice Chairman Guy Caron, Dave French, Dave Pierce, Pam Manney, Joe Spoerl, Lee Sperry, Shea Sennett, Liz Mitchell, Bryan Fournier, Brian Lewis and Ruth Gage. State Representatives: Barbara Griffin, David Pierce and Claire Rouillard. State Senator: Lou D'Allesandro. Senator D'Allesandro was unable to attend as he had a previous engagement to honor Executive Councilor Burton.

RECOGNITION OF RICK WILHELMI TO PRESENT THE ROBINSON CULLEROT VOLUNTEER AWARD

Rick Wilhelmi: I am in my 5th season as the Director of Parks and Recreation. I am excited to be with a group of people who encourage wellness in our community. (Introduced members of the Parks and Rec Commission). I am here to present the 26th annual Robinson Cullerot Award. This year's award will be awarded to Jane Steckowych. Jane has served on a number of committees and organizations. She is an intelligent and passionate person with a great sense of humor. I am pleased to work alongside an individual who provides a great deal of motivation and caring. Thank you for the countless hours of dedication you give to this community.

MODERATOR'S OPENING STATEMENT & RULES OF PROCEDURE

As you probably know, at the 1996 Town Meeting, the Town of Goffstown voted to adopt what is known as "Senate Bill 2" {which has since been codified and is also known now as RSA 40:12&13). This act is otherwise referred to as the "STANDARDIZED OFFICIAL BALLOT REFERENDUM SYSTEM." It is under this system which the Town of Goffstown in general, and this meeting in particular, will conduct its business.

I would like to take a few minutes to explain to you some of the features of this system as well as the rules of engagement for tonight's meeting:

1. No smoking on school grounds.
2. All speakers must use microphones and state his or her name. Please spell your last name.
3. To assist in standing votes, you have been given a voting card which you should display during a standing vote. If you have not signed this card, please do so. You will be asked to return these cards to the checklist table if you leave before the meeting ends.
4. The most important thing for you to know is that we will not be voting to pass or defeat any Warrant Article at tonight's meeting. All Warrant Articles will be on the Town's Official Ballot, which will be voted upon at the second session of this town meeting. Voting will take place on March 10, 2015 here in the high school and at the Bartlett Elementary School in Pinardville.
5. At tonight's meeting, Articles 6 through 17 will be open for discussion, debate and amendment. If an amendment is properly offered, it will be discussed, debated and voted upon. If an amendment to any particular Warrant Article is adopted by this meeting, the Article, as amended, will appear on the Official Ballot for voting on March 10, 2015.
6. With respect to amendments, please keep in mind that the purpose of the Warrant is to simply place the "subject matter" before the voters. Senate Bill 2, by allowing amendments, allows the same range of possible amendments which voters have always had under the traditional town meeting system. Amending appropriation articles up or down is permitted. Details as to how a warrant article subject matter is to be treated, or the addition or deletion of terms and conditions to the article, can be accomplished through amendments as long as they relate to the general subject matter of the article. Substantive amendments not relating to the article's subject matter will be ruled out of order and will not be accepted by the moderator.
7. Further, with respect to amendments, as in the past, all amendments must be presented to the moderator in writing. Forms are available in the hall for this purpose. Proposed amendments must be moved to the floor and seconded before any discussion of the proposed amendment will be allowed. Following the discussion on the proposed amendment, a vote will be taken on the amendment. Following the vote on the amendment, discussion will resume on the main article. At the conclusion of the discussion on the main article, there will be no vote on the article. We will simply begin consideration of the next article.
8. The "previous question" is a procedure which will apply to the conduct of this meeting. After an article, or a proposed amendment to an article, has been discussed, a voter may move the previous question. This motion is not debatable. A "yes" vote on the previous question means there will be no further discussion on the main article or proposed amendment, as the case may be. A simple majority vote is required to pass the previous question and thus end the debate.
9. In 2011, the legislature amended RSA 40:13 to prevent the practice of amending an article to eliminate all words but "to see". Please do not offer amendments which attempt to do this because they are not allowed and will not be accepted by the moderator.

10. Five registered voters may request, in writing, prior to a voice or standing vote on a proposed present at the meeting when the vote is taken. Once a voice vote has been taken or a standing vote is underway, a written request for a written secret ballot may not be made. This request must be made in writing by seven registered voters who are present at the meeting. Forms are available for this purpose.
11. If we have a written ballot, you need to show your voting card. The card will be initialed by the ballot clerk as you are handed your ballot.
12. All written ballots which are cast must be whole. If a cast ballot is torn, ripped or crumpled up, it will not be counted. You may fold your ballot if you wish, but please do no more.
13. In the case of a tie vote, it is recognized by voting authorities, most notably Roberts Rules of Order, that the moderator protects his impartial position by exercising his voting right only when the vote would affect the outcome, in which case he can either vote, and thereby change the result, or he can abstain. Since a majority is necessary to pass a motion, the motion fails if the result of the vote is a tie. In my 32 years on moderating town meetings, there has been only dead even tie - that was on the article to raze and sell the building I was born in, the Moore General Hospital.
14. A motion to reconsider can only be made by a person who voted with the prevailing side. It may be seconded by anyone. It is debatable and requires a simple majority for passage.
15. A motion to restrict reconsideration may be made with respect to any vote taken at this meeting, or any warrant article previously considered at the meeting. This motion is not debatable and requires a simple majority for passage.
16. Finally, please note that I will not tolerate derogatory comments to be made about any speaker or person in this hall – so please be civil.

Chairman Adams: Motion to dismiss with the reading of the warrant. Second by Sel. Lemay.
Voice vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 6** (OPERATING BUDGET \$20,782,468) and recognizes CHAIRMAN ADAMS.

Chairman Adams: “I move **ARTICLE 6** to the floor.”

Sel. Lemay: “Second.”

Chairman Adams: The 2015 Operating Budget is an increase of \$1.2 million.

What is driving this increase?

Capital Improvements budget accounts for \$743,952 of the \$1.2 million increase broken out as follows:

LAND +\$116,000

\$50,000 increase for reclamation

\$66,000 West Lawn Cemetery Expansion

MACHINERY/EQUIPMENT/VEHICLES +\$32,952

Replacing an additional Police vehicle BUILDINGS +\$100,000

\$33,000 replacement of Town Hall upper level flooring to comply with the Dept. of Labor Safety Inspection Report

\$35,000 structural repair Barnard Park Pavillion

\$32,000 structural repair of Roy Park Pavillion IMPROVEMENTS O/T BUILDINGS +\$495,000

\$15,000 towards match for DES grants for herbicide treatment of milfoil in our lakes and river

\$75,000 Master Plan Update

\$89,000 Detention Pond Reconstruction

\$195,000 Repair Uncanoonuc Dam which is under administrative order

\$106,000 New Boston Rd Bridge Deck Repair

\$15,000 Parker Rd Bridge Deck Repair

Public Works Budget accounts for \$583,020 of the increase. Most of the increase can be found in the following lines:

\$276,060 resurfacing

\$123,121 crack sealing

\$169,000 storm-water consulting to address the new MS4 Permit expected to be issued this year by EPA.

Police Budget restores funding for the 30th sworn officer position which has not been funded since 2007 (\$28,000 for 6 months).

A default budget does not allow for any of these items.

How does this impact my property tax rate?

If this article passes, we anticipate an increase of 75 cents per thousand on the tax rate. A home assessed at \$250,000 would expect to pay an additional \$187.50 in property taxes in 2015.

Moderator: I haven't read the quoted language, which must be included in the budget article. (Reads). Opens it to the floor for discussion.

Chairman Adams: "I move **ARTICLE 6** to the floor."

Sel. Georgantas: "Second."

There were no comments from the public.

Chairman Adams: "Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 6**."

Sel. Lemay: "Second."

Voice vote in the affirmative carried.

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 7** (CBA PATROLMEN - \$15,073) for the current fiscal year) and recognizes SEL. LEMAY

Sel. Lemay: "I move **ARTICLE 7** to the floor."

Chairman Adams: "Second."

Sel. Lemay: This Collective Bargaining Agreement is with the Patrolmen for a 3 year term. The increases each year are stated in the article. This CBA replaces a 9 step matrix of 4% steps with a 20 step matrix of 2% steps which is more sustainable. To be eligible for a step increase it requires one year of service and passing a performance evaluation. The longevity formula is replaced with a flat rate not calculated into overtime. Also, the K9 stipend was increased by \$250. There are several changes in regards to health insurance. The CBA offers two new lower cost plans – a high deductible plan and a Matthew Thornton SOS plan. It also changes the formula for employee contribution which increases the employee share incrementally over the term of the contract. Finally and very importantly, there is language which avoids the town paying any Cadillac Tax under the Affordable Care Act. The Dental Plan coverage was increased from \$750 per member to \$1,200 per member. Life Insurance is still the base salary but the cap has been increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000 of coverage. Vacation time has been increased to the same as non-union employees, and we have calculated the cost to cover additional vacation time with overtime. While the town will experience a savings each year in health insurance, we are only allowed to calculate the savings in the first year of the contract by law.

Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.
There were no comments from the public.

Sel. Lemay: "Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 7**."

Chairman Adams: "Second."

Voice vote in the affirmative carried.

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 8** (CBA DISPATCHERS/CLERKS - \$10,486 for the current fiscal year) and recognizes SEL. LEMAY.

Sel. Lemay: "I move **ARTICLE 8** to the floor."

Chairman Adams: "Second."

Sel. Lemay: This Collective Bargaining Agreement is with the Dispatchers/Clerks for a 3 year term. The terms of this CBA are the same as the Patrolmen's CBA with some exceptions: there is no K9 stipend; and they bargained for a floating holiday rather than Martin Luther King Day.

Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.

- Sel. Lemay: “Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 8.**”
- Chairman Adams: “Second.”
Voice vote in the affirmative carried.
- Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 9** (INTRODUCTORY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM - \$14,774 for two years) and recognizes SEL. GEORGANTAS.
- Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.
- Sel. Georgantas: “I move **ARTICLE 9** to the floor.”
- VC Campasano: “Second.”
- Sel. Georgantas: This is a two year Introductory Transportation Program operated by Manchester Transit Authority. Key Provisions of this Transportation Program include:
- Wheelchair accessible bus.
 - Caregiver may ride with the disabled person.
 - Service is available to any adult on a space available basis.
 - No rider fee.
 - On Demand Curb to Curb Service (48 hours advance notice required).
 - Service available 3 days a week, 5 hours per day.
- Kathy Holt: I am confused because it says it is for the elderly and disabled. If this comes three days per week, can I as an adult pick up the phone and say I want a ride?
- Sel. Georgantas: If space is available. We had that conversation in our meetings. There are people out there who don’t have vehicles to get to a doctor’s appointment, etc., so we decided to include them in the program.
- Barbara Griffin: How does the MTS, when they are taking the appointment, know they are delivering me to an appointment? Can I go to the grocery store.
- Sel. Georgantas: Elderly and medical will get picked up first. This is a two year program.
- Barbara Griffin: As a taxpayer, am I paying in a budget year for more than 12 months of services?
- Sel. Georgantas: It is definitely a two year program. Fred Robinson: It is a two year program.
- Barbara Griffin: 5310 funds are being used. Is this paying the entire cost of this program?
Sel. Georgantas: This is our portion of a grant.
- Barbara Griffin: How much does this program cost? Sel. Georgantas: \$48,000.
- Barbara Griffin: Is there anyone here from the program who can say how the funds will be tracked. I have issues that this will be on the warrant in two years.
- Sel. Georgantas: The elderly population is growing in Goffstown. That transportation needs

- to be taken care of. This is a pilot program for Goffstown. MTA has a way of tracking everything. The committee recommended an ad-hoc committee be appointed.
- Chairman Adams: Submitted a motion to amend the date from 12/31/16 to 06/30/17.
- Chairman Adams: MOVED THE AMENDMENT TO THE FLOOR.
- VC Campasano: “Second.”
- Kathy Holt: Asked for clarification that the grant is for two years. Sel. Georgantas confirmed. No further comments. Voice vote in the affirmative carried.
- Robin Maloney: My mother lives at the Hillsborough County Nursing Home. Would she be able to use this service? Would the facility as a whole be able to use this a regular basis?
- Sel. Georgantas: I don’t believe we addressed this. MTA has said that they will do anything to make this program work for us. If we need to add more hours, they gave us a reasonable cost to do that in the future. The Ad-Hoc Committee could speak with them to see if this can be covered. I was under the impression that the nursing home had transportation.
- Barbara Griffin: Can I get a ride to the Mall of NH with this service? Can I go anywhere the MTA goes, including the airport?
- Sel. Georgantas: They will provide you a ride to Hannaford, which will bring you into Manchester, where you can transfer to another route.
- Kathy Holt: Can I assume that the number in the Article is correct?
- Sel. Georgantas: Yes.
- Sel. Georgantas: “Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 9**.”
- VC Campasano: “Second.”
- Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 10** (FIRE APPARATUS CRF - \$200,000) and recognizes SEL. CAMPASANO.
- Sel. Campasano: “I move **ARTICLE 10** to the floor.”
- Chairman Adams: “Second.”
- Sel. Campasano: The Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund was established in 2008 for the purpose of helping defray the single-year impact of the replacement cost of fire apparatus, which can run between \$500,000 and \$1 million. This Capital Reserve Fund helps to spread that cost over multiple years. This fund can also provide the Town leverage, in the form of a local match, when seeking grants to replace apparatus. This was the case in 2010, when the Fire Department was able to accept an Assistance to Firefighters grant to replace the town’s obsolete ladder trucks with one Tower/Ladder. In that instance, the required match dollars came from this

fund. The Fund currently has approximately \$143,000 and the Town is seeking to add \$200,000 for future fire apparatus purchases. Funding for this article is proposed to come from the unassigned fund balance, with no amount to be raised by taxation. Both the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend passage of this article.

Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.

No comments were received.

Sel. Campasano: “Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 10.**”

Chairman Adams: “Second.”

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 11** (Goffstown Main Street Program - \$20,000) and recognizes CHAIRMAN ADAMS.

Chairman Adams: “I move **ARTICLE 11** to the floor.”

Sel. Lemay : “Second.”

Chairman Adams: **GOFFSTOWN MAIN STREET PROGRAM**
Goffstown Main Street Program’s mission is to provide support, advice, and promotion to current and potential business owners and residents of the designated Main Street area using the National Main Street Center’s 4- Point Approach. The 4-Point Approach revolves around principles of effective design, promotion, economic restructuring, and organization as the keys to economic revitalization of the historic downtown. Many of you are familiar with the special events sponsored by Main Street including the St. Patrick’s Day Dance with Silent Auction, Old Home Day, Concerts on the Common, Giant Pumpkin Regatta, Friday Night Under the Lights, and Art Showoffs. These events bring business to the Village Area as well as fostering a sense of community.

Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.

Karen Henderson: Thank you for your support of the Main Street Program. We rely on over 2000 volunteer hours to run the program. We work closely with property owners to fill vacant spots. We respectfully seek the town’s support.

Chairman Adams: “Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 11.**”

Sel. “Second.”

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 12** (Crispin’s House - \$20,000) and recognizes SEL. LEMAY

Sel. Lemay: “I move **ARTICLE 12** to the floor.”

VC Campasano: “Second.”

Sel. Lemay: CRISPIN'S HOUSE has provided services to youth and families of Goffstown for over 25 years, providing positive program opportunities to help kids make positive choices. The total budget is about \$60,000. The warrant article covers only \$20,000. The organization works hard to raise the remaining funds through fund raising activities, community involvement and grants. The newest program is in the area of Suicide Prevention, a growing concern in our community, and they work in collaboration with Makin' Happen of Greater Manchester and the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.

Al Baines: I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee for supporting this article. Crispin's House has been part of the fabric of Goffstown. We have a great cross section of people on our Board of Directors. We are able to use this \$20,000 and leverage it for other funding that may be available to us from grants. We do apply for many grants. When they see we have the support of Goffstown, it helps us to secure other monies. In addition to the grant monies, we also raise another \$20,000 from activities, such as the basketball tournament. I want the people of the Town to know that we just don't rely on the \$20,000 we get from the Town of Goffstown. Our total budget is in excess of \$60,000. It is great that we do this to support the kids in our community.

Sel. Lemay: "Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 12**."

VC Campasano: "Second."

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 13 (SOLAR EXEMPTION)** and recognizes VICE CHAIRMAN CAMPASANO

VC Campasano: "I move **ARTICLE 13** to the floor."

Sel. Georgantas: "Second."

VC Campasano: RSA 72:61-72 permits cities and towns to offer exemptions from local property taxes for certain renewable energy installations, including solar energy systems. If this article passes, tax exemptions will be for the amount by which the solar energy system increases a property's total assessed value. The goal of the exemption is to create a tax neutral policy within a municipality in order to encourage adoption of green energy sources. By adopting this article, homeowners will not have a disincentive of higher property taxes for installing a renewable energy system. As of November 2014, there were 97 NH communities with a solar energy exemption, 15 of which are within Hillsborough County. Currently, there are 14 such residential systems in Goffstown, with a total assessed value of approximately \$27,000.

Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.

- Fred Plett: I would like to speak against this. Solar power receives tax credits. This is a further subsidy. This is a power production that happens to be in a home. They should pay property taxes. It has a value.
- Scott Bartlett: I am a resident of Goffstown and the Assessor for the Town. I brought this to the attention of the Board. I would like to talk about the evaluation issue. There is no doubt that a solar energy system does add value to the property. It is not cost efficient right now. It is significantly more expensive to add this to your property. This would be one more incentive. The cost to install these is more than the value added.
- Brian Lombardi: I am considering one of these systems. The cost of the system is prohibitive. The Federal and State rebates help promote this, but even with that it is still questionable whether I will move forward. Without this incentive, I will not. There is no change to our tax base with this exemption.
- Barbara Griffin: I don't understand the warrant article. I'm looking at this from an assessed value and taxing standpoint. When the property is equipped with this system with a capacity of 10 kW or less, I assume an exemption is for a dollar amount, now a kW value. How do I assess 100% of the amount up to the first 10 kW?
- Scott Bartlett: Right now, I do have a value per kW that I am using. That will change over time. If you have a 10kW system or less, any value added will be exempt.
- Barbara Griffin: I have concerns if I have a rolling valuation. It appears my kW amount will change over time. There would be a net effect if I put an addition on my house. I suggest your property value goes up when you add these systems. From history, when you start creating a lot of exemptions, you create inequities. If I put a windmill up on my property, can I come in here? I am not sure it is appropriate that we should be subsidizing them.
- Kathy Holt: I have one of those systems. It cost me a lot of money. I was told it would take 17 years to pay back. I did it so I don't need a generator. It is a nice green energy source. It has a lot of benefits for the environment. People do it for different reasons.
- Phil D'Avanza: This is an article that effects revenue. The Board of Selectmen has always been concerned about losing revenue. Does the Board have any idea what is the tax impact of the current systems that are online?
- VC Campasano: I believe it is \$1,000.
- Scott Bartlett: It is \$27,000 of value.
- Phil D'Avanza: This article reduces revenue that we are already getting. What is the total impact of all of the existing systems?
- Scott Bartlett: The number is small. About less than .15 on a \$200,000 home. This will lower the value of the Town by \$27,000.

- Sel. Georgantas: It is 2/100th of a cent.
- VC Campasano: “Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 13.**”
- Sel. Georgantas: “Second.”
- Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 14** (CRF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES) and recognizes SEL. GEORGANTAS
- Sel. Georgantas: “I move **ARTICLE 14** to the floor.”
- Sel. “Second.”
- Sel. Georgantas: **CRF INVESTMENT ARTICLE**
- The enabling legislation of House Bill 297 relative to the management of trust funds, capital reserve funds and library funds passed in 2014. It allows the Trustees to compensate banks, brokerage firms, trust companies and investment advisors for the management of capital reserve funds from the income of these funds rather than the municipal budget. This article provides an opportunity to exceed the rate of inflation on capital reserve funds interest. Also, the town does not have to place investment management fees into the municipal budget. This article is recommended by Trustees of Trust Funds.
- Moderator: Opens it to the floor for discussion.
- No comments received.
- Sel. Georgantas: “Move to restrict reconsideration of **ARTICLE 14.**”
- Sel. “Second.”
- Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 15** (TOWN MANAGER) – This article will appear on the ballot as submitted on the petition article “Do you favor adoption of the town manager plan as provided in chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes Annotated?” This is statutory language and not subject to amendment.
- Scott Gross: “I move **ARTICLE 15** to the floor.” David French: “Second.”
- Scott Gross: Why did I submit this article? I served 7 years on the school board and 6 years as Selectmen. I brought this issue to the Board of Selectmen at that time. Goffstown has over 18,000 citizens. We have over 10,000 registered voters. We are the 13th or 14th largest community in the State of NH. We are the only ones that have a Town Administrator and Selectmen form of government. I believe our town has grown too large for the type of government we have. I believe the Selectmen’s job could be better spent. They could deal more with the bigger issues. This is an indictment on the system, not this board. We are far too big of a community to continue. I believe that Selectmen have good intentions, but focus on smaller

things. They talk about disposal of a pick up truck, events, etc. I did place some pieces of information on the table. One is the NH RSA 37. There are no secrets here. This is what the law states. The manager works under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen. They are responsible for reorganizing town departments. Keeping detailed reports of revenues and expenditures. They have control, subject to the direction of the Selectmen, water, lighting and power, construction of buildings, roads, sidewalks, purchase of supplies, Police and Fire departments, parks, cemeteries, contracts, welfare, and other duties assigned by the Selectmen. They maintain a great deal of power and authority. They are still involved in the budget process. They are still involved in zoning protest petitions, hazardous buildings, setting fees, responsible for local guidelines, financial accounting, etc. We have a school superintendent for many years. We have had good ones and not so good, but our town has done well. It is a more efficient system, and we already have it is a school superintendent.

Jo Ann Duffy: Spoke against this article. This is a drastic change from our current system. She does not believe it is a good fit for Goffstown. If you are looking into changing the process, then establish a Charter Commission, where all options can be explored with public input.

Dan Cloutier: RSA 37 - Town Manager has lots of authority. If you want representation for yourself and you have a problem and you want to talk to the Selectmen, you go talk to the Town Manager. RSA 37:7, when the town passes a budget, that complete authority goes to a manager. It is different if they want to exercise power. A town manager is not elected. You don't have that opportunity. You are giving up your right to the people who manage the funds. If you want to do this, let Goffstown be a city. We have had some interesting Superintendents in the past that did not please the School Board. There was little that the School Board could do. My repeat is, if we want to maintain control of our funds, we need to be able to hire and fire those who maintain them. In this case it is the Selectmen. We have three names on the ballot coming up for two spots. We don't have a shortage of people to run the town.

Scott Gross: Town Administrator v Town Manager. At will means you can terminate someone. Terminate for cause you need to give a reason. The Fire Chief and the Police Chief need to be terminated for cause. In the Personnel Plan, cause for removal lists about 13 things that employees must do to get terminated. We already have just cause in the Town of Goffstown. This notion they will spend our money. Are we saying that each Principal shall report to the School Board. Is that an efficient form of government? If we don't like the manager, it will be difficult to get rid of them. It takes one year to rescind the RSA. If you are happy with the status quo, that's fine. If you think we can do better, then please vote for the town manager.

- Jim Raymond: My law firm represents about 35 municipalities. We have worked with towns with town managers and without. Most of the larger towns have gone to this. It has been successful. Bedford, Londonderry. They have been able to use a town manager to develop a tax base and moved the towns forward. I am neutral, but I have seen it work very successfully. I have seen towns quickly fire the town managers. It is not an obstacle in the management. Some have done it well, and some have not. It allows professional management of a complex business organization. It is not compelled, but Goffstown has a lot of decisions it has to make in the next few years. I think it should be considered.
- Elizabeth Dubrulle: I am currently the Chair of the Budget Committee. In my experience, I don't think what we are doing right now is working. We have the same problem over and over. Our department heads are outstanding, but they cannot agree on priorities. The Selectmen could do that, but I don't know if people realize how much they have to handle. It is hard to tackle the bigger questions. Our personnel plan and the way we pay our employees needs a massive overhaul. The Selectmen cannot do it because they are too busy handling smaller things. It was only a few years ago that the town started ordering their office supplies as one unit. There are other economies of scale that we could look at. I think this idea needs to be considered.
- Barbara Griffin: I am opposed to this Article. I served on the Board of Selectmen for 12 years. For some of those years I was for this, and I am now not. I think you may want to do a Charter Commission. I understand Scott's position. You have a very different Board of Selectmen that you have today. They have the capacity to do things that have been talked about, but they chose to do other things. I think there has been a lot of activity on the Board of Selectmen and the public thinks there is not a lot of direction. I don't think having a town manager will make those day to day decisions any different. I don't think there would be a positive budget impact. I don't believe a town manager would transport Goffstown into the industrial/commercial hub of NH. Maybe some of the frustration is the vote of the Board of Selectmen is 3-1-1. I think this is a leadership vote. I would like to know why someone abstained.
- VC Campasano: I did abstained. The state RSA's provide for a tally of Selectmen votes pertaining to the Budget. I have abstained on any article that was not a money article. It was purely for consistency. I will not say personally how I feel. My issue with this article is the process. There are many types of government. We are proposing with this article to change our form of government with nothing more than discussion this evening. With the premise if we don't like it, we can change it in one year. I think we should have a process, like a Charter Commission.
- Scott Gross: The Statute does not call for any type of process. It can be put on the ballot by the Selectmen or petition. This notion of creating a Charter, I

would agree if we go to a Town Council or Mayor, I would believe in that. I think this is baby steps toward that. I think we need someone to deal with the day to day operations. This Board spent 30 minutes of time talking about a pick up truck. There are better ways of handling this community. When we keep talking about establishing a committee, it is called punting and kicking the can down the road. We can keep doing the same thing, but I believe someone said the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again, and expecting different results.

Joe McCarthy: Is there a cost associated with this?

Scott Gross: You can look at the salaries of town managers across the State of NH. They are generally about \$20,000 more than what our Town Administrator makes.

Moderator: Reads **ARTICLE 16 (TO HEAR REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS, ETC.)**.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Duffy, Scribe

OFFICIAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS

MARCH 10, 2015

ARTICLE 1 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>
Angela Mackenzie	684
Collis G. Adams	832
Mark T. Lemay	1,100
David Roberge	9
Write-In	21 w/ < 5 votes

BUDGET COMMITTEE

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Four</i>
Angela Mackenzie	1,020
James M. Butcher	1,087
Guy Caron	68
Bryan Fournier	53
Emily Sandblade	22
Janet Coughlin	8
Write-In	67 w/ < 5 votes

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Joan Konieczny	1,360
Write-In	7 w/ < 5 votes

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>
Kathleen “Kathy” Holt	1,288
Carl D. Foley	1,135
Write-In	2 w/ < 5 votes

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

<i>For 2 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Kathleen Coughlin	8
Gary Meehan	5
Write-In	69 w/ < 5 votes

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

<i>For 1 Year</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Gary Meehan	1,280
Write-In	3 w/ < 5 votes

PLANNING BOARD

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>
Timothy Redmond	1,272
Kimberly Peace	141
John Hikel	5
Write-In	52 w/ < 5 votes

SEWER COMMISSION

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
James Bouchard	1,291
Write-In	10 w/ < 5 votes

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Kathleen Coughlin	4
Write-In	55 w/ < 5 votes

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Jo Ann Duffy	1,269
Cathy Champagne	5
Write-In	9 w/ < 5 votes

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

<i>For 1 Year</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>
Leonard “Len” Stuart	575
Cathy Champagne	714
Write-In	3 w/ < 5 votes

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance as follows: To add a (3-asterisk) note to the bottom of Section 3.12, (Table of Accessory Uses) Table A6 to allow accessory attached dwelling units as a permitted use with no need to obtain a Special Exception (notwithstanding the fact that it is listed as a use permitted by Special Exception) in the Conservation Open Space (CO), Agricultural (A), Residential-1 (R-1), Residential-2(R-2), and Residential Small Business Office-1(RSBO-1) districts in any instance where the lot is of sufficient size that it already meets or exceeds the minimum buildable acreage requirement in Section 4.3 (Table of Dimensional Regulations) to allow a duplex to be built on the lot? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1-0

YES - 628 NO - 1,062 FAILED

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 3 as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of 92 Wallace Road (Map 5, Lot 93) from Agricultural (A) to Residential-1 (R-1)?"

Submitted by Petition

Recommended by the Planning Board 4-1-0

YES - 1,059 NO - 607 PASSED

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 4 as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: "Shall the Town amend the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by changing the zoning of the following properties identified as: Tax Map 5 Lot 61, Tax Map 5 Lot 61-8, Tax Map 5 Lot 60, Tax Map 5 Lot 62, and Tax Map 5 Lot 59A, from Agricultural (A) to Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ)? "

This property is known as the Villa Augustina property and surrounding parcels. The purpose of this rezone is to bring the property more in line with the Conceptual Future Land Use Map of the 2006 Goffstown Master Plan which shows a mixed use node at the intersection of Mast Road and Normand Road.

(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).

Submitted by Petition

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0-0

YES - 1,180 NO - 495 PASSED

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 5 as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “To see if the Town will vote to amend Zoning Ordinance Section 4.4.1 by adding a new subsection, Section 4.4.1.1, that states: “The minimum lot size required for the development of multi-family dwellings in the Residential–1 (R-1) and Residential–2 (R-2) districts shall be three (3) acres.””

(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by Petition

Not Recommended by the Planning Board 4-1-0

YES - 806 NO - 852 FAILED

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Million Seven Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Eight Dollars (\$20,782,468)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Four Hundred Nine Thousand Fifty Two Dollars (\$19,409,052), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.”

NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2-0 and Budget Committee 8-3-1.

YES - 804 NO - 867 FAILED

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town of Goffstown approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the New England Police Benevolent Association representing Local #24 consisting of the Patrolmen which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2015	\$15,073
2016	\$45,554
2017	\$49,672

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,073 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 6.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,083 NO - 589 PASSED

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town of Goffstown approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the New England Police Benevolent Association representing Local #124 consisting of Dispatchers and Clerks at the Police Department, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2015	\$10,486
2016	\$23,614
2017	\$26,081

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,486 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 6.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,065 NO - 611 PASSED

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate \$14,774 for a Transportation Introductory Program? The primary purpose of this program is to provide transportation to the elderly and disabled on an on-call basis for necessary appointments. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation under RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until 6/30/2017. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 6.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

YES - 1,193 NO - 506 PASSED

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 6.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0 and Budget Committee 9-3-0.

YES - 1,217 NO - 494 PASSED

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 6.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-0-1.

YES - 1,191 NO - 518 PASSED

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency? Crispin's House provides prevention programs designed to help kids make positive choices in their lives. Our programs include high school and middle school monthly Youth Forums and VolunTEENS programs, Juvenile Court Diversion, Youth Attendant Program and financial aid to families that cannot afford after school care for their children. We are a member of the Greater Manchester Regional Suicide Prevention Initiative. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 6.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-0-1.

YES - 1,191 NO - 518 PASSED

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town adopt, under RSAs 72:27-a and 72:62, a residential exemption from a property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, when the property is equipped with a solar energy system, as defined by RSA 72:61, with a rated capacity of 10 kW or less? Such exemption shall be for 100% of the amount, up to the first 10 kW, if any, by which installation of solar energy systems on the property increases the total assessed value of the property.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

YES - 1,100 NO - 586 PASSED

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 35:9-a-II, authorize the Trustees of the Trust Funds to pay for capital reserve fund investment management services, and any other expenses incurred, from capital reserve funds income? No vote by the town to rescind such authority shall occur within five years of the original adoption of this article.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

YES - 961 NO - 657 PASSED

ARTICLE 15

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

Submitted by Petition.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1-1.

YES - 498 NO - 1,134 FAILED

2015 ELECTIONS STATISTICAL REPORT

Election	Date	"Voters Attending 1st Session"	Ballots Cast	% Voters	# New Registered Voters	Total # Registered Voters
Ballot Determination Sessions:						
Town	2/4/2015	62	0	<1%	n/a	11,338
School	1/31/2015	56	0	<1%	n/a	11,338
Official Ballot Session:						
Town/School	3/10/2015		1,753	15.43	16	11,361

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire

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Nashua, NH
Andover, MA
Greenfield, MA
Ellsworth, ME

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Town's 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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof 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 management's discussion and analysis and Schedule of Funding Progress 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 it 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 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 evidence sufficient 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's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information appearing on page 45 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived

from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Melanson Heath

July 20, 2015

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Goffstown for the year ended December 31, 2014.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, and culture and recreation. The business-type activities include sewer enterprise activities.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Specifically, enterprise funds are used to account for municipal sewer operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Notes to financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$47,431,497 (i.e., net position), a change of \$(244,238) in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$8,804,361, a change of \$428,091 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$4,131,563, a change of \$(357,206) in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current year was \$2,248,327, a change of \$(465,170) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior years (in thousands).

	<u>NET POSITION</u>					
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 23,391	\$ 22,353	\$ 3,932	\$ 3,405	\$ 27,323	\$ 25,758
Capital assets	<u>32,274</u>	<u>32,714</u>	<u>5,569</u>	<u>6,288</u>	<u>37,843</u>	<u>39,002</u>
Total assets	55,665	55,067	9,501	9,693	65,166	64,760
Current liabilities	12,625	11,837	339	318	12,964	12,155
Noncurrent liabilities	3,200	3,255	883	1,065	4,083	4,320
Deferred inflows	<u>651</u>	<u>572</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>688</u>	<u>609</u>
Total liabilities	16,476	15,664	1,259	1,420	17,735	17,084
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	31,089	31,244	4,506	5,044	35,595	36,288
Restricted	2,080	1,804	-	-	2,080	1,804
Unrestricted	<u>6,020</u>	<u>6,355</u>	<u>3,736</u>	<u>3,229</u>	<u>9,756</u>	<u>9,584</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 39,189</u>	<u>\$ 39,403</u>	<u>\$ 8,242</u>	<u>\$ 8,273</u>	<u>\$ 47,431</u>	<u>\$ 47,676</u>

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 979	\$ 694	\$ 1,437	\$ 1,432	\$ 2,416	\$ 2,126
Operating grants and contributions	40	266	255	100	295	366
Capital grants and contributions	374	790	1	-	375	790
General revenues:						
Property taxes	12,004	11,977	-	-	12,004	11,977
Motor vehicle permits	2,687	2,537	-	-	2,687	2,537
Penalties and interest on taxes	241	306	-	-	241	306
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	853	787	-	-	853	787
Investment income	109	122	2	-	111	122
Miscellaneous	726	806	2	2	728	808
Total revenues	<u>18,013</u>	<u>18,285</u>	<u>1,697</u>	<u>1,534</u>	<u>19,710</u>	<u>19,819</u>
Expenses:						
General government	2,476	2,456	-	-	2,476	2,456
Public safety	8,111	7,711	-	-	8,111	7,711
Public works	6,377	5,918	-	-	6,377	5,918
Health and welfare	72	72	-	-	72	72
Culture and recreation	1,215	1,210	-	-	1,215	1,210
Interest	37	56	-	-	37	56
Sewer services	-	-	1,675	1,511	1,675	1,511
Total expenses	<u>18,288</u>	<u>17,423</u>	<u>1,675</u>	<u>1,511</u>	<u>19,963</u>	<u>18,934</u>
Change in net position before transfers and permanent fund	(275)	862	22	23	(253)	885
Transfers in (out)	53	200	(53)	(200)	-	-
Permanent fund contributions	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>
Change in net position	(214)	1,066	(31)	(177)	(245)	889
Net position - beginning of year	<u>39,403</u>	<u>38,337</u>	<u>8,273</u>	<u>8,450</u>	<u>47,676</u>	<u>46,787</u>
Net position - end of year	<u>\$ 39,189</u>	<u>\$ 39,403</u>	<u>\$ 8,242</u>	<u>\$ 8,273</u>	<u>\$ 47,431</u>	<u>\$ 47,676</u>

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent year, total net position was \$47,431,497, a change of \$(244,238) from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position \$35,595,270 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position of \$2,080,250 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position \$9,755,977 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$(213,077). Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further in Section D	\$ 140,565
Nonmajor funds	287,526
Depreciation expense in excess of principal debt service	(1,267,821)
Capital assets acquired, net of disposals	1,112,799
OPEB liability	(263,561)
Other	<u>(222,585)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (213,077)</u>

Business-type activities. Business-type activities (Sewer Fund) for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$(31,161).

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

As of the end of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$8,804,361, a change of \$428,091 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations	\$ 140,565
Nonmajor funds	<u>287,526</u>
Total	<u>\$ 428,091</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$4,131,563, while total fund balance was \$6,521,767. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

General Fund	12/31/14	12/31/13	Change	% of Total General Fund Expenditures
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 4,131,563	\$ 4,488,769	\$ (357,206)	23.8%
Total fund balance	\$ 6,521,767	\$ 6,381,202	\$ 140,565	37.5%

The fund balance of the general fund changed by \$140,565 during the current year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenues less than budget	\$ (100,843)
Expenditures less than budget	483,504
Tax collections as compared to budget	234,334
Use of fund balance as a funding source	(488,290)
Current year encumbrance to be expended in subsequent year over prior year encumbrance	18,062
Other GAAP differences	(74,301)
Change in capital reserves	<u>68,099</u>
Total	<u>\$ 140,565</u>

Included in the total general fund balance are the Town's capital reserve accounts with the following balances:

	12/31/14	12/31/13	Change
Capital reserves	\$ <u>412,623</u>	\$ <u>344,524</u>	\$ <u>68,099</u>
Total	\$ <u>412,623</u>	\$ <u>344,524</u>	\$ <u>68,099</u>

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$3,735,606, a change of \$506,650 in comparison with the prior year.

Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There were no differences between the original budget and the final amended budget.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year end amounted to \$37,843,597 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(1,158,003) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current year included the following:

Purchase of:		
East Dunbarton Road	\$	522,730
2015 Ford 350 w/plow	\$	162,941
Volvo backhoe loader	\$	108,311
Forestry vehicle	\$	95,542
2014 Ford Explorer	\$	26,409
2014 Ford Explorer	\$	26,409

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$2,248,327, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Goffstown's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of Finance Director
Town of Goffstown
16 Main Street
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 18,074,891	\$ 3,799,608	\$ 21,874,499
Investments	1,463,890	-	1,463,890
Restricted cash	412,623	-	412,623
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	1,220,252	-	1,220,252
User fees	112,902	129,150	242,052
Special assessment	21,957	-	21,957
Internal balances	52,605	(52,605)	-
Intergovernmental	673,167	9,113	682,280
Other assets	89,016	37,241	126,257
Noncurrent:			
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	553,761	-	553,761
Special assessment	716,261	-	716,261
Intergovernmental	-	9,113	9,113
Capital assets:			
Land and construction in progress	5,635,861	-	5,635,861
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	26,638,480	5,569,256	32,207,736
TOTAL ASSETS	55,665,666	9,500,876	65,166,542
LIABILITIES			
Current:			
Accounts payable	978,008	142,445	1,120,453
Accrued liabilities	91,342	6,586	97,928
Tax refunds payable	185,514	-	185,514
Due to school district	10,926,207	-	10,926,207
Due to other governments	4,238	-	4,238
Other current liabilities	98,524	7,109	105,633
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	286,104	182,515	468,619
Other liabilities	54,772	263	55,035
Noncurrent:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	899,152	880,556	1,779,708
Other liabilities, net of current portion	2,300,930	2,370	2,303,300
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	651,169	37,241	688,410
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	16,475,960	1,259,085	17,735,045
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	31,089,085	4,506,185	35,595,270
Restricted for:			
Special purposes	1,056,118	-	1,056,118
Permanent funds:			
Nonexpendable	661,358	-	661,358
Expendable	362,774	-	362,774
Unrestricted	6,020,371	3,735,606	9,755,977
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 39,189,706	\$ 8,241,791	\$ 47,431,497

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
General government	\$ 2,478,405	\$ 257,024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,219,381)	\$ -	\$ (2,219,381)
Public safety	8,111,048	491,854	772	10,085	(7,608,337)	-	(7,608,337)
Public works	6,376,900	165,319	39,035	364,116	(5,808,430)	-	(5,808,430)
Health and welfare	71,753	-	-	-	(71,753)	-	(71,753)
Culture and recreation	1,215,126	64,801	-	-	(1,150,325)	-	(1,150,325)
Interest	37,243	-	-	-	(37,243)	-	(37,243)
Total Governmental Activities	18,288,475	978,998	39,807	374,201	(16,895,469)	-	(16,895,469)
Business-Type Activities:							
Sewer services	1,675,438	1,436,455	255,050	1,292	-	17,359	17,359
Total Business-Type Activities	1,675,438	1,436,455	255,050	1,292	-	17,359	17,359
Total	\$ 19,963,913	\$ 2,415,453	\$ 294,857	\$ 375,493	(16,895,469)	17,359	(16,878,110)
General Revenues, Interfund, and Contributions:							
Taxes					12,004,186	-	12,004,186
Motor vehicle permits					2,686,792	-	2,686,792
Penalties, interest, and other taxes					240,830	-	240,830
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					853,042	-	853,042
Investment income					109,265	2,440	111,705
Miscellaneous					727,872	1,619	729,491
Interfund					52,579	(52,579)	-
Permanent fund contributions					7,826	-	7,826
Total general revenues, interfund, and contributions					16,682,392	(48,520)	16,633,872
Change in Net Position					(213,077)	(31,161)	(244,238)
Net Position:							
Beginning of year					39,402,783	8,272,952	47,675,735
End of year					\$ 39,189,706	\$ 8,241,791	\$ 47,431,497

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 2014

	<u>General</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 17,194,396	\$ 880,495	\$ 18,074,891
Investments	-	1,463,890	1,463,890
Restricted cash	412,623	-	412,623
Receivables:			
Property taxes	1,855,032	-	1,855,032
User fees	13,740	391,796	405,536
Intergovernmental	673,167	-	673,167
Other	12,050	-	12,050
Due from other funds	112,471	14,006	126,477
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 20,273,479	\$ 2,750,187	\$ 23,023,666
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 971,206	\$ 6,802	\$ 978,008
Accrued payroll	74,301	-	74,301
Tax refunds payable	185,514	-	185,514
Due to school district	10,926,207	-	10,926,207
Due to other governments	4,238	-	4,238
Due to other funds	-	73,872	73,872
Other liabilities	98,397	127	98,524
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,259,863	80,801	12,340,664
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,491,849	386,792	1,878,641
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	661,358	661,358
Restricted	-	1,621,236	1,621,236
Committed	412,623	-	412,623
Assigned	1,977,581	-	1,977,581
Unassigned	4,131,563	-	4,131,563
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	6,521,767	2,282,594	8,804,361
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 20,273,479	\$ 2,750,187	\$ 23,023,666

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND
 BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL
 ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2014

Total governmental fund balances	\$	8,804,361
▪ Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		32,274,341
▪ Deposits for assets not yet acquired.		83,800
▪ Long term receivables not yet billed.		733,011
▪ Revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are not deferred until collection.		852,192
▪ In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.		(17,041)
▪ Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		<u>(3,540,958)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	\$	<u>39,189,706</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 12,203,593	\$ -	\$ 12,203,593
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	285,580	-	285,580
Charges for services	306,084	661,663	967,747
Intergovernmental	1,267,050	-	1,267,050
Licenses and permits	2,795,287	-	2,795,287
Investment income	13,150	96,115	109,265
Contributions	-	7,826	7,826
Miscellaneous	579,856	148,016	727,872
Total Revenues	<u>17,450,600</u>	<u>913,620</u>	<u>18,364,220</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	2,242,620	159,275	2,401,895
Public safety	7,058,619	432,484	7,491,103
Public works	4,885,005	-	4,885,005
Health and welfare	70,838	-	70,838
Culture and recreation	1,129,505	23,981	1,153,486
Capital outlay	1,660,552	-	1,660,552
Debt service	325,829	-	325,829
Total Expenditures	<u>17,372,968</u>	<u>615,740</u>	<u>17,988,708</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	77,632	297,880	375,512
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in	62,933	-	62,933
Transfers out	-	(10,354)	(10,354)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>62,933</u>	<u>(10,354)</u>	<u>52,579</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	140,565	287,526	428,091
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year	<u>6,381,202</u>	<u>1,995,068</u>	<u>8,376,270</u>
Fund Equity, at End of Year	<u>\$ 6,521,767</u>	<u>\$ 2,282,594</u>	<u>\$ 8,804,361</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
 EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	428,091																					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense: <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Capital outlay purchases, net of disposals</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">1,112,799</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deposits for assets not yet acquired</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">83,800</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Depreciation</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(1,552,273)</td> </tr> </table> ▪ Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are fully deferred in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (i.e., property tax) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in deferred revenue. <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">(341,401)</td> </tr> </table> ▪ The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position: <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Repayments of debt</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">284,452</td> </tr> </table> ▪ In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due. <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">4,134</td> </tr> </table> ▪ Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. <table style="margin-left: 40px; width: 80%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">(232,679)</td> </tr> </table> 			Capital outlay purchases, net of disposals		1,112,799	Deposits for assets not yet acquired		83,800	Depreciation		(1,552,273)			(341,401)	Repayments of debt		284,452			4,134			(232,679)
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		(232,679)																					
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u>(213,077)</u>																					

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES, AND EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget		
Revenues and Other Sources:				
Taxes	\$ 11,969,259	\$ 11,969,259	\$ 11,969,259	\$ -
Licenses, permits, and fees	2,739,000	2,739,000	2,795,287	56,287
Intergovernmental	1,341,722	1,341,722	1,267,050	(74,672)
Charges for services	415,908	415,908	306,084	(109,824)
Investment income	6,000	6,000	13,088	7,088
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	315,497	315,497	285,580	(29,917)
Miscellaneous	590,840	590,840	579,856	(10,984)
Transfers in	1,754	1,754	62,933	61,179
Use of fund balance	488,290	488,290	488,290	-
Total Revenues and Other Sources	17,868,270	17,868,270	17,767,427	(100,843)
Expenditures and Other Uses:				
General government	2,360,195	2,360,195	2,262,394	97,801
Public safety	7,378,995	7,378,995	6,961,778	417,217
Public works	5,012,355	5,012,355	5,058,989	(46,634)
Health and welfare	81,847	81,847	70,838	11,009
Culture and recreation	1,149,043	1,149,043	1,124,931	24,112
Capital outlay	1,460,005	1,460,005	1,480,006	(20,001)
Transfer out	100,000	100,000	100,000	-
Debt service	325,830	325,830	325,830	-
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	17,868,270	17,868,270	17,384,766	483,504
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 382,661	\$ 382,661

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds Sewer Fund
ASSETS	
Current:	
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 3,799,608
User fees, net of allowance for uncollectibles	129,150
Intergovernmental receivables	9,113
Other assets	<u>37,241</u>
Total current assets	3,975,112
Noncurrent:	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:	
Intergovernmental receivable, net of current portion	9,113
Capital assets:	
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>5,569,256</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>5,578,369</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	9,553,481
LIABILITIES	
Current:	
Accounts payable	142,445
Accrued liabilities	6,586
Due to other funds	52,605
Other liabilities	7,109
Current portion of long-term liabilities:	
Bonds payable	182,515
Other liabilities	<u>263</u>
Total current liabilities	391,523
Noncurrent:	
Bonds payable, net of current portion	880,556
Other liabilities, net of current portion	<u>2,370</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	882,926
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>37,241</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,311,690
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	4,506,185
Unrestricted	<u>3,735,606</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ <u>8,241,791</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds Sewer Fund
Operating Revenues:	
Charges for services	\$ 1,436,455
Miscellaneous	<u>1,619</u>
Total Operating Revenues	1,438,074
Operating Expenses:	
Sewer treatment	933,908
Depreciation	<u>718,529</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>1,652,437</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	(214,363)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):	
Investment income	2,440
Intergovernmental revenue	256,342
Interest expense	<u>(23,001)</u>
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses), Net	<u>235,781</u>
Income Before Transfers	21,418
Transfers:	
Transfers out	<u>(52,579)</u>
Change in Net Position	(31,161)
Net Position at Beginning of Year	<u>8,272,952</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u>\$ 8,241,791</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds Sewer Fund
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</u>	
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 1,463,347
Payments to vendors and employees	<u>(861,000)</u>
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	602,347
<u>Cash Flows from Noncapital and Related Financing Activities:</u>	
Transfers to other funds	<u>(52,579)</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Noncapital and Related Financing Activities	(52,579)
<u>Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:</u>	
Subsidy from State grants	265,455
Principal payments on bonds and notes	(180,718)
Interest expense	<u>(23,001)</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities	61,736
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</u>	
Investment income	<u>2,440</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Investing Activities	<u>2,440</u>
Net Change in Cash and Short-Term Investments	613,944
Cash and Short-Term Investments, Beginning of Year	<u>3,185,664</u>
Cash and Short-Term Investments, End of Year	<u>\$ 3,799,608</u>
<u>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by (Used For) Operating Activities:</u>	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (214,363)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:	
Depreciation	718,529
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
User fees	25,273
Other assets	52,580
Accounts payable	20,991
Accrued liabilities	(1,760)
Other liabilities	<u>1,097</u>
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	<u>\$ 602,347</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and short term investments	\$ -	\$ 1,784,636
Investments	<u>501,630</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	501,630	1,784,636
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</u>		
Escrow deposits	<u>-</u>	<u>1,784,636</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>1,784,636</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>		
Total net position held in trust	<u>\$ 501,630</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>
Additions:	
Contributions	\$ 12,745
Investment income	<u>24,934</u>
Total additions	37,679
Deductions:	
Other	<u>21,842</u>
Total deductions	<u>21,842</u>
Net increase	15,837
Net position:	
Beginning of year	<u>485,793</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 501,630</u>

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TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE**Notes to Financial Statements****1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire (the Town) conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the government and applicable component units for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. In 2014, it was determined that no entities met the required GASB 14 (as amended) criteria of component units.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers property tax revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- The *general fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and

services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The government reports the sewer enterprise fund as a major proprietary fund.

The *private-purpose trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the permanent fund, under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

D. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Cash balances from all funds, except those required to be segregated by law, are combined to form a consolidation of cash. Cash balances are invested to the extent available, and interest earnings are recognized in the general fund. Certain special revenue, proprietary, and fiduciary funds segregate cash, and investment earnings become a part of those funds.

Deposits with financial institutions consist primarily of demand deposits, certificates of deposits, and savings accounts.

For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the proprietary funds consider investments with original maturities of three months or less to be short-term investments.

E. Investments

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available. Deposits in any financial institution may not exceed certain levels within the financial institution. Non-fiduciary fund investments can be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government or agencies that have a maturity of one year or less from the date of purchase and repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase.

Investments for the trust funds consist of marketable securities, bonds, and short-term money market investments. Investments are carried at market value.

F. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Transactions between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the year are referred to as either "due from/to other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans).

G. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (for enterprise funds only) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	40
Building improvements	40
Infrastructure	30 - 75
Vehicles	5
Office equipment	5
Computer equipment	5

H. Compensated Absences

It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vested sick and vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

I. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt, and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type Statement of Net Position.

J. Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as "fund balance". Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net position".

Fund Balance - Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities/deferred inflows. The Town reserves those portions of fund balance that are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available, spendable resources and therefore, are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unassigned fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance that is available for appropriation in future periods.

The Town's fund balance classification policies and procedures are as follows:

- 1) Nonspendable funds are either unspendable in the current form (i.e., inventory or prepaid items) or can never be spent (i.e., perpetual care).
- 2) Restricted funds are used solely for the purpose in which the fund was established. In the case of special revenue funds, these funds are created by statute or otherwise have external constraints on how the funds can be expended.
- 3) Committed funds are reported and expended as a result of motions passed by the highest decision making authority in the government (i.e., Town Meeting).
- 4) Assigned funds are used for specific purposes as established by management. These funds, which include encumbrances, have been assigned for specific goods and services ordered but not yet paid for. This account also includes fund balance voted to be used in the subsequent year.
- 5) Unassigned funds are available to be spent in future periods.

When an expenditure is incurred that would qualify for payment from multiple fund balance types, the Town uses the following order to liquidate liabilities: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Net Position - Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities/deferred inflows. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Town or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The remaining net position is reported as unrestricted.

K. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements, and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenditures/expenses during the year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

2. **Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability**

A. Budgetary Information

The Town's budget is originally prepared by the Selectmen's office with the cooperation of the various department heads. It is then submitted to the Budget Committee, in accordance with the Municipal Budget Law. After reviewing the budget, the Committee holds a public hearing for discussion.

The final version of the budget is then submitted for approval at the annual Town Meeting. The approved budget is subsequently reported to the State of New Hampshire on the statement of appropriation form in order to establish the current property tax rate.

The Selectmen cannot increase the total of the approved budget; however, they have the power to reclassify its components when necessary.

B. Budgetary Basis

The general fund final appropriation appearing on the "Budget and Actual" page of the fund financial statements represents the final amended budget after all reserve fund transfers and supplemental appropriations.

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation

The budgetary data for the general fund is based upon accounting principles that differ from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Therefore, in addition to the GAAP basis financial statements, the results of operations of the general fund are presented in accordance with budgetary accounting principles to provide a meaningful comparison to budgetary data.

The following is a summary of adjustments made to the actual revenues and other sources, and expenditures and other uses, to conform to the budgetary basis of accounting.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>
Revenues/Expenditures (GAAP basis)	\$ 17,450,600	\$ 17,372,968
Other financing sources/uses (GAAP basis)	<u>62,933</u>	<u>-</u>
Subtotal (GAAP Basis)	17,513,533	17,372,968
Adjust tax revenue to accrual basis	(234,334)	-
Reverse beginning of year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	(1,785,223)
Add end-of-year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	1,803,285
Recognize use of fund balance as funding source	488,290	-
GAAP timing differences	-	(74,301)
To eliminate capital reserve activity	<u>(62)</u>	<u>68,037</u>
Budgetary basis	<u>\$ 17,767,427</u>	<u>\$ 17,384,766</u>

3. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the deposits may not be returned. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party.

Pursuant to NH Statute, "the treasurer shall insure that prior to acceptance of any moneys for deposit or investment, including repurchase agreements, the federally insured bank shall make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the Town." Although the Town has an investment policy, it does not discuss custodial credit risk.

As of December 31, 2014, \$146,867 of the Town's bank balance of \$26,190,738 was exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured or uncollateralized.

4. Investments

A. Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. State law employs the prudent person rule whereby investments are made as a prudent person would be expected to act, with discretion and intelligence, to seek reasonable income, preserve capital, and, in general, avoid speculative investments.

Presented below is the actual rating as of year-end for each investment of the Town:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Minimum Legal Rating</u>	<u>Exempt From Disclosure</u>	<u>Rating as of Year End</u>		
				<u>Aaa</u>	<u>Aa</u>	<u>A</u>
Corporate bonds	\$ 357,703		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,977	\$ 256,726
Corporate equities	1,305,831	N/A	1,305,831	-	-	-
Mutual funds	100,396	N/A	100,396	-	-	-
Federal agency securities	201,590		-	201,590	-	-
Total investments	\$ 1,965,520		\$ 1,406,227	\$ 201,590	\$ 100,977	\$ 256,726

B. Concentration of Credit Risk

Since the Town's investments all relate to trust funds, the Trustees of Trust Funds determines investment allocations for the Town's current investments. The Trustees' policy limits the amount the Town may invest in any one issuer to 8%.

C. Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. Although the Trustees of Trust Funds have an investment policy, the policy does not limit investment maturities as a means of managing the Town's exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Town's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is as follows:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Investment Maturities (in Years)</u>			
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less Than 1</u>	<u>1-5</u>	<u>6-10</u>
Corporate bonds	\$ 357,703	\$ -	\$ 256,645	\$ 101,058
Federal agency securities	201,590	72,078	80,754	48,758
Total	\$ 559,293	\$ 72,078	\$ 337,399	\$ 149,816

5. Restricted Cash

Restricted cash represents capital reserve funds held by the trustees of trust funds as of December 31, 2014.

6. Taxes Receivable

The Town bills property taxes semi-annually, in June and November. Property tax revenues are recognized in the year for which taxes have been levied to the extent that they become available, i.e., due or receivable, within the current year and collected within the current period or within 60 days of year-end.

Property taxes billed or collected in advance of the year for which they are levied, are recorded as a prepaid tax liability as they are intended to finance the subsequent year's budget.

The Town annually raises through tax levy an amount (overlay for abatements) for property tax abatements and interest refunds. All abatements and interest refunds are charged to overlay.

Property taxes are due on July 1 and December 1. Delinquent accounts are charged 12% interest. In March of the next year, a lien is recorded on delinquent property at the Registry of Deeds. The Town purchases all the delinquent accounts by paying the delinquent balance, recording costs, and accrued interest. The accounts that are liened by the Town will be reclassified from property taxes receivable to unredeemed tax liens receivable. After this date, delinquent accounts will be charged interest at a rate of 18%. The Town annually budgets amounts (overlay for abatements) for property tax abatements and refunds.

Taxes receivable at December 31, 2014 consist of the following:

Real estate:		
2014 levy	\$	1,292,914
Current use tax:		
2014 levy		8,000
Timber yield tax:		
2014 levy		357
Unredeemed taxes		
2013 levy		312,639
2012 levy		160,718
2011 levy		11,004
2010 and prior levy		8,777
Elderly liens		60,623
Total	\$	<u>1,855,032</u>

7. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The receivables reported in the accompanying entity-wide financial statements reflect the following estimated allowances for doubtful accounts:

	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-Type</u>
Property taxes	\$ 81,019	\$ -
Special assessments	\$ 1,627	\$ -
Emergency medical services	\$ 292,634	\$ -
Utilities	\$ -	\$ 15,504

8. Intergovernmental Receivables

This balance represents reimbursements requested from Federal and State agencies for expenditures incurred in 2014, while the balance in the Sewer fund represents reimbursements from the State of New Hampshire to help finance future debt service costs on certain bonds payable.

9. Interfund Fund Receivables/Payables

Although self-balancing funds are maintained, most transactions flow through the general fund. In order to obtain accountability for each fund, interfund receivable and payable accounts must be utilized. The following is an analysis of the December 31, 2014 balances in interfund receivable and payable accounts:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Due From Other Funds</u>	<u>Due To Other Funds</u>
General Fund	\$ 112,471	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds:		
Emergency medical services	14,006	73,872
Enterprise Funds	-	52,605
Total	<u>\$ 126,477</u>	<u>\$ 126,477</u>

10. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows (in thousands):

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 3,874	\$ 49	\$ -	\$ 3,923
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	10,587	702	(494)	10,795
Infrastructure	30,438	523	-	30,961
Total capital assets, being depreciated	44,899	1,274	(494)	45,679
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(2,132)	(104)	-	(2,236)
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(6,235)	(694)	439	(6,490)
Infrastructure	(9,561)	(754)	-	(10,315)
Total accumulated depreciation	(17,928)	(1,552)	439	(19,041)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	26,971	(278)	(55)	26,638
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	5,519	-	-	5,519
Construction in progress	222	157	(262)	117
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	5,741	157	(262)	5,636
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 32,712</u>	<u>\$ (121)</u>	<u>\$ (317)</u>	<u>\$ 32,274</u>
	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Business-Type Activities:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	\$ 31	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31
Infrastructure	15,664	-	-	15,664
Total capital assets, being depreciated	15,695	-	-	15,695
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(31)	-	-	(31)
Infrastructure	(9,376)	(719)	-	(10,095)
Total accumulated depreciation	(9,407)	(719)	-	(10,126)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	6,288	(719)	-	5,569
Business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 6,288</u>	<u>\$ (719)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,569</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the Town as follows:

Governmental Activities:		
General government		\$ 40,819
Public safety		421,053
Public works		1,061,903
Culture and recreation		<u>28,498</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities		<u>\$ 1,552,273</u>
Business-Type Activities:		
Sewer		<u>\$ 718,529</u>
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities		<u>\$ 718,529</u>

11. Accounts Payable

Accounts payable represents 2014 expenditures paid after December 31, 2014.

12. Long-Term Debt

A. General Obligation Bonds

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds have been issued for both governmental and business-type activities. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

	Serial	Interest	Amount
	Maturities	Rate(s) %	Outstanding
	Through		as of
			12/31/14
<u>Governmental Activities:</u>			
State revolving loan program	06/01/16	2.73%	\$ 328,000
State revolving loan program	10/01/17	2.47%	12,930
Lynchvill/Danis Park	07/01/30	2.86%	675,805
South Mast Road Project	12/01/16	0.85%	<u>168,521</u>
Total Governmental Activities:			<u>\$ 1,185,256</u>
	Serial	Interest	Amount
	Maturities	Rate(s) %	Outstanding
	Through		as of
			12/31/14
<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>			
08/01 Sewer Bond	08/15/16	4.50%	\$ 150,000
Mast Road Upgrade Project	10/01/22	1.70%	<u>913,071</u>
Total Business-Type Activities:			<u>\$ 1,063,071</u>

B. Future Debt Service

The annual payments to retire all general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2014 are as follows:

<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 286,104	\$ 33,462	\$ 319,566
2016	287,787	25,515	313,302
2017	40,165	17,536	57,701
2018	36,884	16,359	53,243
2019	37,941	15,302	53,243
2020 - 2024	206,639	59,580	266,219
2025 - 2029	237,975	28,245	266,220
Thereafter	51,761	1,482	53,243
Total	<u>\$ 1,185,256</u>	<u>\$ 197,481</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,737</u>

The general fund has been designated as the sole source to repay the governmental-type general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2014.

<u>Business-Type</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 182,515	\$ 22,684	\$ 205,199
2016	184,342	17,294	201,636
2017	111,201	11,836	123,037
2018	113,092	9,945	123,037
2019	115,014	8,023	123,037
2020 - 2024	356,907	12,203	369,110
Total	<u>\$ 1,063,071</u>	<u>\$ 81,985</u>	<u>\$ 1,145,056</u>

C. Changes in General Long-Term Liabilities

During the year ended December 31, 2014, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities (in thousands):

	Total Balance 1/1/14	Additions	Reductions	Total Balance 12/31/14	Less Current Portion	Equals Long-Term Portion 12/31/14
Governmental Activities						
Bonds payable	\$ 1,469	\$ -	\$ (284)	\$ 1,185	\$ (286)	\$ 899
Other:						
Landfill closure	646	-	(34)	612	(34)	578
OPEB liability	1,272	264	-	1,536	-	1,536
Accrued employee benefits	205	3	-	208	(21)	187
Totals	<u>\$ 3,592</u>	<u>\$ 267</u>	<u>\$ (318)</u>	<u>\$ 3,541</u>	<u>\$ (341)</u>	<u>\$ 3,200</u>

<u>Business-Type Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 1,244	\$ -	\$ (181)	\$ 1,063	\$ (183)	\$ 880
Other:						
Accrued employee benefits	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 1,246</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ (181)</u>	<u>\$ 1,066</u>	<u>\$ (183)</u>	<u>\$ 883</u>

13. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

State and Federal laws and regulations require the Town to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. Although closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the Town reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as a liability in the financial statements in each period based on landfill the Town used as of each balance sheet date.

The final capping of the landfill site was completed in September, 2002. The Town has reflected \$612,000 as the estimate of the remaining postclosure care liability at December 31, 2014 in the Governmental Activities Statement of Net Position. Actual cost may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

14. Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources are the acquisition of net assets by the Town that are applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred inflows of resources have a negative effect on net position, similar to liabilities.

The following is a summary of deferred inflow of resources balances as of December 31, 2014:

	Entity-wide Basis		Fund Basis		Fund Basis
	Governmental	Business-type	Governmental Funds		Proprietary Funds
	Activities	Activities	General Fund	Nonmajor Fund	Sewer Fund
Taxes paid in advance	\$ 1,079	\$ -	\$ 1,079	\$ -	\$ -
Unearned revenue- property tax	-	-	1,227,472	-	-
Unearned revenue- grants	263,298	37,241	263,298	-	37,241
Unearned revenue- ambulance fees	<u>386,792</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>386,792</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 651,169</u>	<u>\$ 37,241</u>	<u>\$ 1,491,849</u>	<u>\$ 386,792</u>	<u>\$ 37,241</u>

15. Restricted Net Position

The accompanying entity-wide financial statements report restricted net position when external constraints from grantors or contributors are placed on net position.

Permanent fund restricted net position is segregated between nonexpendable and expendable. The nonexpendable portion represents the original restricted principal contribution, and the expendable represents accumulated earnings which are available to be spent based on donor restrictions.

16. Governmental Funds - Balances

Fund balances are segregated to account for resources that are either not available for expenditure in the future or are legally set aside for a specific future use.

The Town has implemented GASB Statement No. 54 (GASB 54), *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying existing governmental fund type definitions.

The following types of fund balances are reported at December 31, 2014:

Nonspendable - Represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. This fund balance classification includes general fund reserves for prepaid expenditures and nonmajor governmental fund reserves for the principal portion of permanent trust funds.

Restricted - Represents amounts that are restricted to specific purposes by constraints imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances funded by bond issuances, various special revenue funds, and the income portion of permanent trust funds.

Committed - Represents amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Town's highest level of decision-making authority. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances for non-lapsing, special article appropriations approved at Town Meeting, capital reserve funds set aside by Town Meeting vote for future capital acquisitions and improvements (now reported as part of the general fund per GASB 54), and various special revenue funds.

Assigned - Represents amounts that are constrained by the Town's intent to use these resources for a specific purpose. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances that have been established by various Town departments for the expenditure of current year budgetary financial resources upon vendor performance in the subsequent budgetary period.

Unassigned - Represents amounts that are available to be spent in future periods.

Following is a breakdown of the Town's fund balances at December 31, 2014:

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Nonspendable			
Nonexpendable permanent funds	\$ -	\$ 661,358	\$ 661,358
Total Nonexpendable	-	661,358	661,358
Restricted			
Special revenue funds	-	1,056,118	1,056,118
Expendable permanent funds	-	565,118	565,118
Total Restricted	-	1,621,236	1,621,236
Committed			
Capital reserve funds	412,623	-	412,623
Total Committed	412,623	-	412,623
Assigned			
Encumbrances	1,803,285	-	1,803,285
Reserved for expenditures	174,296	-	174,296
Total Assigned	1,977,581	-	1,977,581
Unassigned			
Unassigned	4,131,563	-	4,131,563
Total Unassigned	4,131,563	-	4,131,563
Total Fund Balance	\$ 6,521,767	\$ 2,282,594	\$ 8,804,361

17. General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance

The unassigned general fund balance reported on the balance sheet is stated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which differs in respect to how unassigned fund balance is reported in accordance with the budgetary basis for reporting for the State of New Hampshire for tax rate setting purposes. The major difference is the State of New Hampshire considers revenues in connection with property tax receivables to be available to liquidate liabilities when billed rather than received.

The following summarizes the specific differences between GAAP basis and budgetary basis of reporting the general fund unassigned fund balance:

GAAP basis balance	\$ 4,131,563
Deferred inflows	1,227,472
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(127,354)
Other GAAP differences	<u>134,468</u>
Tax Rate Setting Balance	<u>\$ 5,366,149</u>

18. Commitments and Contingencies

Outstanding Legal Issues - There are several pending legal issues in which the Town is involved. The Town's management is of the opinion that the potential future settlement of such claims would not materially affect its financial statements taken as a whole.

Grants - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

19. Post-Employment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits

Other Post-Employment Benefits

GASB Statement 45 *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, requires governments to account for other post-employment benefits (OPEB), primarily healthcare, on an accrual basis rather than on a pay-as-you-go basis. The effect is the recognition of an actuarially required contribution as an expense on the Statement of Activities when a future retiree earns their post-employment benefits, rather than when they use their post-employment benefit. To the extent that an entity does not fund their actuarially required contribution, a post-employment benefit liability is recognized on the Statement of Net Position over time.

A. Plan Description

In addition to providing the pension benefits described, the Town provides post-employment healthcare and life insurance benefits for retired employees through the Town's plan. The benefits, benefit levels, employee contributions and employer contributions are governed by RSA 100-A:50. As of January 1, 2012, the actuarial valuation date, approximately 33 retirees and 121 active employees meet the eligibility requirements. The plan does not issue a separate financial report.

B. Benefits Provided

The Town provides medical, prescription drug, mental health/substance abuse, and life insurance to retirees and their covered dependents. All active employees who retire from the Town and meet the eligibility criteria will receive these benefits.

C. Funding Policy

Retirees contribute 100% of the cost of the health plan, as determined by the Town.

D. Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation

The Town's 2014 annual OPEB expense is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost per year and amortize the unfunded actuarial liability over a period of thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year ending December 31, 2014, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and the change in the Town's net OPEB obligation based on an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2012.

Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$	347,637
Interest on net OPEB obligation		50,897
Adjustment to ARC		<u>(61,669)</u>
Annual OPEB cost		336,865
Contributions made		<u>(73,304)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation		263,561
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year		<u>1,272,418</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	\$	<u><u>1,535,979</u></u>

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Percentage of OPEB Cost Contributed</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation</u>
2014	\$ 336,865	21.8%	\$ 1,535,979
2013	\$ 320,693	18.7%	\$ 1,272,418
2012	\$ 304,696	15.6%	\$ 1,011,821

E. Funded Status and Funding Progress

The funded status of the plan as of January 1, 2012, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation was as follows:

Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$ 2,534,515
Actuarial value of plan assets	<u>-</u>
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	<u>\$ 2,534,515</u>
Funded ratio (actuarial value of plan assets/AAL)	<u>0.0%</u>
Covered payroll (active plan members)	<u>\$ 7,103,062</u>
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>35.7%</u>

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amount and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples included assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the Notes to the Financial Statements, presents multiyear trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

F. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the plan as understood by the Town and the plan members and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the Town and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the January 1, 2012 actuarial valuation the projected unit credit cost method was used. The actuarial value of assets was not determined as the Town has not advance funded its obligation. The actuarial assumptions included a 4% investment rate of return and an initial annual healthcare cost trend rate of 9% which decreases to a 5% long-term rate for all healthcare benefits after ten years. The amortization costs for the initial UAAL is a level percentage of payroll for a period of 30 years, on a closed basis. This has been calculated assuming the amortization payment increases at a rate of 2.5%.

20. Retirement System

The Town follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 27, *Accounting for Pensions for State and Local Government Employees*, with respect to the employees' retirement funds.

A. Plan Description

Full-time employees participate in the State of New Hampshire Retirement System (the System), a multiple-employer contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and is qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service, disability, death and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Substantially all full-time state employees, public school teachers and administrators, permanent firefighters and permanent police officers within the State of New Hampshire are eligible and required to participate in the system. Full-time employees of political subdivisions, including counties, municipalities and school districts, are also eligible to participate as a group if the governing body of the political subdivision has elected participation.

The New Hampshire Retirement System, a Public Employees Retirement system (PERS), is divided into two membership groups. State or local employees and teachers belong to *Group I*. Police officers and firefighters belong to *Group II*. All assets are held in a single trust and are available to each group, funding policies, vesting requirements, contribution requirements and plan assets available to pay benefits are disclosed in the System's annual report available from the New Hampshire Retirement System located at 54 Regional Drive, Concord, New Hampshire 03301-8507.

B. Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute a percentage of their gross earnings to the pension plan, which the contribution rates are 7% for employees, 11.55% for police and 11.80% for fire. The Town makes annual contributions to the pension plan equal to the amount required by Revised Statutes Annotated 100-A:16; for January – December 2014, 10.77% for employees, 25.30% for police, and 27.74% for fire. The Town's contributions to the System for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were \$1,314,737, \$1,132,146, and \$995,843, respectively, which were equal to its annual required contributions for each of these years.

The payroll for employees covered by the System for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$7,606,081.

21. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and have been no material settlements in excess of coverage in any of the past three years.

22. Implementation of New GASB Standards

The GASB has issued Statement 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, which is required to be implemented in year 2015. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will have a significant impact on the Town's basic financial statements by recognizing as a liability and expense, the Town's applicable portion of the State of New Hampshire's actuarially accrued liability.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 ANNUALLY BUDGETED SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>		
Revenues:				
Charges for services	\$ <u>417,962</u>	\$ <u>417,962</u>	\$ <u>429,279</u>	\$ <u>11,317</u>
Total Revenues	417,962	417,962	429,279	11,317
Expenditures:				
Public safety	<u>417,962</u>	<u>417,962</u>	<u>371,334</u>	<u>46,628</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>417,962</u>	<u>417,962</u>	<u>371,334</u>	<u>46,628</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>57,945</u>	\$ <u>57,945</u>

See Independent Auditors' Report.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
December 31, 2014
(Unaudited)

Other Post-Employment Benefits

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) - Entry Age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percent- age of Covered Payroll [(b-a)/c]
01/01/12	\$ -	\$ 2,534,515	\$ 2,534,515	0.0%	\$ 7,103,062	35.7%
01/01/08	\$ -	\$ 2,065,337	\$ 2,065,337	0.0%	\$ 5,745,877	35.9%

See Independent Auditors' Report.

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (MS-434)



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2015
MS-434-R

Revised Estimated Revenues Adjusted Goffstown (RSA 21-J:34)

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

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenue	Change Amount	Revenue Estimates Adjusted
Taxes				
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax	\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	\$6,858	\$0	\$6,858
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	\$720	\$0	\$720
3189	Other Taxes	\$53,244	\$0	\$53,244
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	\$200,107	\$0	\$200,107
9991	Inventory Penalties	\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	\$5,189	\$0	\$5,189
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$2,822,636	\$0	\$2,822,636
3230	Building Permits	\$48,245	\$0	\$48,245
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	\$32,605	\$0	\$32,605
3311-3319	From Federal Government	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources				
3351	Shared Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	\$853,042	\$633	\$853,675
3353	Highway Block Grant	\$393,988	(\$3,368)	\$390,620
3354	Water Pollution Grant	\$0	\$9,983	\$9,983
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	\$33,750	\$33,750
3379	From Other Governments	\$42,962	\$0	\$42,962
Charges for Services				
3401-3406	Income from Departments	\$157,462	\$0	\$157,462
3409	Other Charges	\$153,846	\$0	\$153,846
Miscellaneous Revenues				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	\$0	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenue	Change Amount	Revenue Estimates Adjusted
3503-3509	Other	\$394,907	\$0	\$394,907
Interfund Operating Transfers In				
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	\$430,491	\$0	\$430,491
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
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	\$1,560,338	(\$9,983)	\$1,550,355
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
3917	From Conservation Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources				
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal of Revenues		\$7,178,140	\$31,015	\$7,209,155

Revised Estimated Revenues Summary	Goffstown	Change Amount	State Adjusted
Subtotal of Revenues	\$7,178,140	\$31,015	\$7,209,155
Unassigned Fund Balance (unreserved)	\$5,366,149	\$0	\$5,366,149
Less Emergency Appropriations (RSA 32:11)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less Voted from Fund Balance	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
Less Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Balance Retained	\$5,166,149	\$0	\$5,166,149
Total Revenues and Credits	\$7,378,140	\$31,015	\$7,409,155
Requested Overlay	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000

Assessment Overview	
Total Appropriations	\$19,689,385
Total Revenues and Credits	\$7,409,155
Net Assessment	\$12,280,230

Explanation of Adjustments

Account	Reason for Adjustment	Warrant Number
3352	STATE REVENUE	06
3353	STATE REVENUE	06
3354	STATE REVENUE	
3359	FEMA REIMB	
3914S	- WTR POLLUTION	06

2015 TAX RATE CALCULATION



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue
Administration

2015
\$28.16

Tax Rate Breakdown Goffstown

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$12,725,743	\$1,349,173,300	\$9.43
County	\$1,783,022	\$1,349,173,300	\$1.32
Local Education	\$20,217,673	\$1,349,173,300	\$14.99
State Education	\$3,167,853	\$1,308,499,900	\$2.42
Total	\$37,894,291		\$28.16

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Goffstown Village	\$0	\$244,627,900	\$0.00
Grasmere Village Water	\$0	\$53,637,000	\$0.00
Total	\$0		\$0.00

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$37,894,291
War Service Credits	(\$428,500)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$37,465,791



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

10/9/2015

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$19,689,385	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$7,209,155)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$200,000)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$428,500	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$17,013	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$12,725,743	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$1,783,022	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$1,783,022	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$30,485,310	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$7,099,784)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$3,167,853)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$20,217,673	
State Education Tax	\$3,167,853	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$3,167,853	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$1,349,173,300	\$1,338,027,400
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$1,308,499,900	\$1,297,578,100

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Goffstown Village	\$244,627,900
Grasmere Village Water	\$53,637,000

Goffstown

Tax Commitment Verification

2015 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$37,465,791
1/2% Amount	\$187,329
Acceptable High	\$37,653,120
Acceptable Low	\$37,278,462

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 2015 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:	Date:
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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.

Goffstown	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2015 Tax Rate	\$28.16	\$14.08
Associated Villages		
Goffstown Village	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grasmere Village Water	\$0.00	\$0.00

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds	\$1,550,355
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$43,307,578
Final Overlay	\$17,013

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*.

2015 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Goffstown	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (11.93%)	\$5,166,149
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$7,362,288
10% Retained	\$4,330,758
8% Retained	\$3,464,606
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$2,165,379

2015 RSA 198:4-b II School Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Goffstown

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	\$23,385,526	\$584,638

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

DEBIT		Levies of:	
	2015	2014	
Uncollected Taxes			
at Beginning of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes		1,292,914	
Land Use Change		8,000	
Yield Taxes			
Taxes Committed this Year:			
Property Taxes	37,499,503		
Land Use Change	14,975		
Yield Taxes	13,509		
Excavation Taxes	720		
Overpayment:			
Property Taxes	41,400	2,807	
Interest and Cost Collected on			
Delinquent Tax:	13,579	25,359	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 37,583,686	\$ 1,329,080	
CREDIT			
Remittance to Treasurer:	2015	20134	
Property Taxes	36,215,832	714,928	
Prepayments	100,703		
Land Use Change	14,975		
Yield Taxes	12,859		
Excavation Taxes	720		
Interest & Costs	13,579	25,359	
Conversion to Lien		584,432	
Abatements Made:			
Property Taxes	659	375	
Deferrals		3,985	
Uncollected Taxes			
End of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	1,223,709		
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes	650		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 37,583,686	\$ 1,329,080	

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

	DEBIT		
	2014	Levies of: 2013	2012-2009
Unredeemed Lien Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		312,639	180,500
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year:	629,215		
Interest & Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	16,924	36,242	46,365
Refunds of Liened Property:	31,817	393	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 677,956	\$ 349,275	\$ 226,865

	CREDIT		
	2014	2013	2012-2009
Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions:	269,940	128,698	151,380
Interest/Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	16,924	36,242	46,365
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes:	31,817	393	
Liens Deeded to Municipality:	577	583	3,436
Unredeemed Lien Balance at End of Year:	358,698	183,358	25,684
TOTAL CREDITS	\$677,956	\$349,275	\$226,865

2015 PROPERTY TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016

Again, I would thank the taxpayers of Goffstown as I was happy to serve you for the last several years. As I have given my notice and will begin my retirement beginning February 1st, 2016, I am sure I will see many of you here in Goffstown for many upcoming events. Stephanie Beaudoin will be taking my place and I am sure you will be pleased with the service she will provide.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail L. Lavallee
Tax Collector

BALANCE SHEETS

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/15

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,163,815.36
Cash-Payroll Transfer	\$ 33.41
Petty Cash	\$ 1,900.00
Returned checks outstanding	\$ 1,064.85
Restricted Cash (CRF's)	\$ 875,417.35
Road Bonds Escrow	\$ 22,454.03
Investments	\$ 15,708,178.37
Taxes receivable	\$ 1,223,967.36
Betterment receivable	\$ 13,416.11
Betterment not yet due receivable	\$ 733,011.38
Tax liens receivable	\$ 525,704.82
Accounts receivable	\$ 1,041.50
Due from other governments	\$ 603,186.78
Due from others	\$ 4,319.61
Prepaid expenses	\$ 21,502.44
Tax dedeed property	\$ 60,167.48
Total Assets	<u>\$ 23,959,180.85</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 1,742,945.14
Road Bonds Payable	\$ 22,454.03
Other payables	\$ 33,420.35
Due to school district	\$ 11,500,000.00
Due to others	\$ 22,172.74
Overpayments and prepayments of taxes	\$ 37,978.89
Deferred revenues	\$ 1,925,813.18
Tax refunds payable	\$ 182,130.66
Other liabilities	\$ 7,779.50
Note payable Manchester WW	\$ 733,011.38
LVDP receipts payable	\$ 174,295.61
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 16,382,001.48</u>

FUND BALANCE

Non-spendable	\$ -
Restricted	\$ -
Committed (CRF's)	\$ 875,417.35
Assigned (encumbrances)	\$ 437,559.66
Unassigned	\$ 6,264,202.36
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 7,577,179.37</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 23,959,180.85</u>
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**FUND 20, FIRE/EMS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 400,945.21
Accounts Receivable	\$ 388,235.00
Due from Other Funds	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>\$ 789,180.21</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 4,475.50
Payroll Taxes	\$ -
Withholding-NHRS	\$ -
Due to Other Funds	\$ 14,005.63
Overpayments	\$ 3,658.36
Deferred Revenue-Comstar	\$ 386,792.00
Encumbrances	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 408,931.49</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 2,700.00
Unreserved-undesignated	\$ 377,548.72
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 380,248.72</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 789,180.21</u>

**FUND 25, CONSERVATION FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 190,411
Peoples United Bank short term CD	\$ 275,000
Due from General Fund	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>\$ 465,411</u>
LIABILITIES	
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved=Undesignated	\$ 465,411
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 465,411</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 465,411</u>

**FUND 40, PARKS & REC
REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 220,909.68
Total Assets	<u>\$ 220,909.68</u>
LIABILITIES	
Other Liabilities	\$ 25.00
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
FUND BALANCE	
Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Unreserved=Undesignated	\$ 220,884.68
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 220,884.68</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 220,909.68</u>

**FUND 50, CABLE/GTV REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 124,278.71
Total Assets	<u>\$ 124,278.71</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 2,234.82
P/R Taxes Payable	\$ 0.01
	\$ -
Accrued Payroll	\$ 25,459.00
	\$ 0.01
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 27,693.84</u>

FUND BALANCE

Unreserved	\$ 96,584.87
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 96,584.87</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance **\$ 124,278.71**

**FUND 70, POLICE DETAIL REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 40,203.04
Accounts Receivable	\$ 26,535.00
Total Assets	<u>\$ 66,738.04</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ -
Withholding-NHRS	\$ 4,713.81
Withholding-Health Ins. Trust	\$ (3.98)
Withholding-Dep. Care	\$ 779.68
Payroll Tax Payable	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 5,489.51</u>

FUND BALANCE

Unreserved	\$ 61,248.53
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 61,248.53</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance **\$ 66,738.04**

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following represents a summary of financial transactions administered through the Town's general fund, as compiled by the Finance Department and Town Treasurer.

FUND 10, General Fund

Unaudited for Year Ending December 31, 2015

General Fund Cash Balance on January 1, 2015 \$ 18,074,891.00
(adjusted to audited figure)

Receipts:

Tax Collector- Property Taxes, Interest, Costs, Other Taxes	\$ 36,527,091.31
Tax Collector- Yield Taxes	\$ 11,980.39
Town Clerk- Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$ 2,838,255.63
Town Clerk- Other Fees	\$ 37,994.04
Community Development	\$ 40,722.75
Public Works Department Revenues and Grants	\$ 299,839.89
Transfer Station/Recycling Revenues and Grants	\$ 183,990.90
Police Department Revenues and Grants	\$ 69,844.46
Fire Department Revenues and Grants	\$ 89,930.10
Cable Franchise Fees	\$ 201,286.00
State of NH- Meals & Rooms Distribution	\$ 853,675.21
State of NH- Highway Block Grant	\$ 393,988.33
Administration and Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 244,016.65
Transfers In from Other Funds	\$ 22,625.00
Decrease in accounts and liens receivable	\$ 92,881.80
Total Receipts	\$ 41,908,122.46

Disbursements:

Town Hall/Administration Dept 11	\$ 2,269,545.78
Police Dept 22	\$ 4,430,798.86
Fire Dept 33	\$ 2,410,920.83
Public Works Dept 44	\$ 4,787,429.28
Parks & Rec Dept 55	\$ 429,675.99
Library Dept 66	\$ 719,003.40
Debt Service Dept 77	\$ 319,566.12
CIP Dept 88	\$ 1,106,393.02
Special Warrant Articles (dept 99)	\$ 241,846.75
Other General Government	\$ 14,260.98
Payments to School District	\$ 21,926,207.00
Payments to County	\$ 1,783,022.00
Net increase in payables and other liabilities	\$ (327,650.28)
Total Cash Disbursements	\$ 40,111,019.73
General Fund Cash Balance on December 31, 2015	\$ 19,871,993.73

Investment Balances as of 12/31/15

Citizens Bank Investment account	\$ 15,031,646.05
TDBank money market account	\$ 108,766.71
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	\$ 567,765.61
Total Investments	\$ 15,708,178.37

Respectfully submitted,
Don Borrer, Treasurer

FUND 20, Fire/EMS Special Revenue Fund

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

Fund 20 Cash balance on January 1, 2015	\$	266,198.83
Receipts:		
Revenues	\$	473,638.53
Special Detail Revenues	\$	8,396.50
Increase in Accts Receivable	\$	(1,443.00)
Subtotal	\$	480,592.03
Expenditures:		
Regular Wages PT	\$	176,935.58
Special Detail Wages	\$	8,122.88
FICA	\$	11,213.33
Medicare	\$	2,682.50
Retirement-Fire	\$	374.75
Unemployment Comp.	\$	536.00
Worker's Comp.	\$	7,304.80
Clothing and Uniforms	\$	1,663.67
Physical Exams	\$	1,792.00
Training Expenses	\$	12,043.95
Office Supplies	\$	2,776.50
Operating Supplies	\$	17,594.71
Postage	\$	137.20
Turnouts	\$	7,161.67
Computer Software	\$	1,347.50
Telecommunications	\$	2,530.88
Service Fees	\$	21,757.99
Radios	\$	2,700.00
Diesel Fuel	\$	9,241.03
Fleet Maintenance	\$	14,800.35
Equipment	\$	32,308.93
Property Insurance	\$	8,304.73
Net increase in Accts. Payable	\$	(922.44)
Net decrease in Other Liabilities	\$	806.45
Net decrease in Overpayments	\$	2,630.69
Subtotal	\$	345,845.65
Fund 20 Cash balance on December 31, 2015	\$	400,945.21

FUND 40, Parks & Rec Revolving Fund

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

Fund 40 Cash balance on January 1, 2015 \$ 154,911.87**Receipts:**

Revenues	\$	69,869.50
Facility Rental	\$	13,540.00
Subtotal	\$	83,409.50

Expenditures:

Contracted Services	\$	17,411.69
Subtotal	\$	17,411.69

Fund 40 Cash balance on December 31, 2015 \$ 220,909.68**FUND 50, Cable/GTV Revolving Fund**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

Fund 50 Cash balance on January 1, 2015 \$ 83,887.94**Receipts:**

Revenue	\$	134,690.65
Subtotal	\$	218,578.59

Expenditures:

Regular Wages FT	\$	46,092.04
Regular Wages PT	\$	17,997.22
FICA	\$	3,850.33
Medicare	\$	900.39
Retirement	\$	5,064.71
Unemployment Comp	\$	85.00
Workers Comp	\$	197.46
Benefits	\$	23,289.56
Employee Development	\$	868.55
Consulting Services	\$	-
Postage	\$	-
Computer Software	\$	1,886.60
General Supplies	\$	56.72
Internet	\$	1,779.14
Equipment	\$	16,932.51
Equipment Maintenance	\$	190.87
Net Increase in payables	\$	(24,891.22)
Subtotal	\$	94,299.88

Fund 50 Cash balance on December 31, 2015 \$ 124,278.71**FUND 70, Special Detail Revolving Fund**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/15

Fund 70 Cash balance on January 1, 2015 \$ 47,712.28**Receipts:**

Special Detail revenues	\$	106,991.26
Net Increase in Receivables	\$	(21,530.62)
Subtotal	\$	85,460.64

Expenditures:

Special Detail Wages	\$	73,760.00
FICA	\$	223.67
Medicare	\$	1,058.37
Retirement	\$	14,702.95
Workers Comp	\$	1,113.91
Service Fee	\$	6,828.75
Net Increase in Payables	\$	(4,717.77)
Subtotal	\$	92,969.88

Fund 70 Cash balance on December 31, 2015 \$ 40,203.04

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS



L-R: Laura Paris, alternate; Earl Carrel, Chair; Bill Tucker; Thomas Mulligan.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH DECEMBER 31, 2015

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GOFFSTOWN, NH ON DECEMBER 31, 2015
MS-9

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			BALANCE END YEAR	FEES	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
					BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR					
1	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	4.43%	76,221.80		3,985.43	(411.21)	79,796.02	14,907.77	1,924.27	(411.20)	16,420.83	96,216.86	
2	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	1.96%	33,832.06		1,768.99	(182.52)	35,418.52	12,545.82	1,854.11	(182.52)	13,217.41	48,635.94	
3	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	171.95		10.33	(3.85)	178.43	64.00	18.02	(3.85)	60.18	240.61	
4	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	713.95		37.33	(8.85)	742.43	46.00	16.38	(8.85)	40.18	801.61	
5	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	649.01		33.93	(3.50)	679.44	34.46	18.30	(3.50)	47.25	726.79	
6	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	334.50		16.97	(7.00)	344.47	20.91	8.19	(7.00)	32.10	367.06	
7	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.08%	1,298.00		67.87	(7.00)	1,358.87	50.61	32.77	(7.00)	76.38	1,435.32	
8	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	298.55		15.61	(6.25)	317.91	21.03	7.54	(6.25)	26.96	339.51	
9	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.06%	973.54		50.90	(5.25)	1,019.19	44.54	24.58	(5.25)	63.87	1,083.06	
10	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
11	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
12	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
13	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
14	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
15	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
16	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
17	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
18	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
19	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
20	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
21	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
22	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
23	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
24	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
25	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.01%	115.34		6.03	(0.62)	120.75	4.56	2.91	(0.62)	6.85	127.66	
26	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.01%	115.34		6.03	(0.62)	120.75	4.56	2.91	(0.62)	6.85	127.66	
27	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
28	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.09%	1,634.20		85.45	(8.82)	1,710.83	72.90	41.26	(8.82)	105.34	1,816.17	
29	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	528.69		27.64	(2.85)	555.49	22.96	13.35	(2.85)	33.45	586.94	
30	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
31	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
32	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.05%	817.12		42.72	(4.41)	855.43	37.72	20.63	(4.41)	53.94	909.37	
33	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
34	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
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36	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
37	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	384.49		20.10	(2.07)	402.52	30.16	9.71	(2.07)	46.42	458.95	
38	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	384.49		20.10	(2.07)	402.52	30.16	9.71	(2.07)	46.42	458.95	
39	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.05%	828.71		52.90	(5.25)	906.36	32.17	20.63	(5.25)	48.39	954.75	
40	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
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47	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.04%	672.89		35.18	(3.63)	704.45	27.12	16.99	(3.63)	40.48	744.93	
48	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.01%	192.25		10.05	(1.04)	201.26	7.82	4.85	(1.04)	11.64	212.90	
49	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
50	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
51	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
52	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
53	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
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57	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
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59	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
60	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.07%	1,153.59		60.32	(6.22)	1,207.69	20.36	29.72	(6.22)	33.26	1,250.94	
61	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.01%	192.26		10.05	(1.04)	201.27	7.82	4.85	(1.04)	9.75	212.02	
62	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
63	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
64	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	384.51		20.10	(2.07)	402.54	30.16	9.71	(2.07)	46.42	458.95	
65	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
66	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
67	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
68	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	336.47		17.59	(1.82)	352.25	17.09	8.49	(1.82)	376.02	376.02	
69	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
70	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.03%	576.76		30.16	(3.11)	603.81	22.70	14.56	(3.11)	34.15	637.96	
71	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.08%	1,345.81		70.37	(7.26)	1,408.92	39.58	33.98	(7.26)	66.30	1,475.22	
72	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.07%	1,249.47		65.34	(6.79)	1,314.02	41.37	33.55	(6.79)	64.58	1,378.45	
73	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.07%	1,249.47		65.34	(6.79)	1,314.02	41.37	33.55	(6.79)	64.58	1,378.45	
74	Comstock Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd.	0.02%	384.51		20.10	(2.0							

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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	PRINCIPAL CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
91	Vigano Booklet	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.02%	334.46		17.49		(1.80)	350.15	16.58	8.44	(1.80)		23.22	373.37
92	Mr. Richard Kohle	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.04%	716.77		37.48		(8.87)	750.38	29.73	18.10	(8.87)		40.96	791.34
94	Alfred F. Lively	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.06%	1,099.05		57.47		(5.93)	1,150.58	34.27	27.75	(5.93)		56.08	1,206.67
95	Gloria P. MacCormie	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.03%	573.43		29.98		(3.09)	600.32	20.81	14.48	(3.09)		32.19	620.52
97	Wilfred S. Whitler	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.06%	1,079.94		56.47		(5.83)	1,130.58	36.72	27.26	(5.83)		58.16	1,188.74
98	Julian Vanousterhoever	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.04%	716.77		37.48		(3.87)	750.38	44.73	18.10	(3.87)		58.96	809.34
100	Ms. John Lovren	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.02%	343.34		17.49		(1.80)	350.15	16.58	8.44	(1.80)		23.22	373.37
101	J & P Govey Fund	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.04%	716.77		37.48		(3.87)	750.38	44.73	18.10	(3.87)		58.96	809.34
102	1989 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.21%	8,366.91		374.88		(19.78)	8,888.86	1,238.15	92.57	(19.78)		1,308.94	5,141.80
103	1925 Holywell/Restland Cemetery	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.17%	20,202.29		1,011.11		(100.00)	21,151.29	2,748.91	210.07	(100.00)		2,848.91	10,292.41
105	1955 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.17%	423.65		1,856.43		(43.71)	8,482.29	3,256.17	204.55	(43.71)		4,089.96	11,899.30
106	Unknown Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	0.06%	1,033.28		54.03		(5.57)	1,081.74	119.97	26.09	(5.57)		115.48	1,197.22
108	1955 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common TR Fd	1.59%	2,345.93		1,429.25		(147.53)	28,628.25	600.26	600.26	(147.53)		10,834.01	30,462.26
	Total Cemetery Funds				411,183.25	2,614.68	21,499.67	0.00	(2,218.29)	433,079.31	83,421.45	10,380.57	(2,789.68)	(2,218.26)	88,794.08	521,873.40
115	1984 Elbow Funds	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.07%	1,153.58		60.32		(6.22)	1,207.67	321.14	29.12	(6.22)		344.04	1,551.71
116	Unknown Cemetery Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.57%	9,886.74		516.95		(53.34)	10,350.35	2,746.95	249.60	(53.34)		2,943.21	13,313.56
118	6/17/1905 Mason S. Foss Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.09%	1,634.88		85.48		(8.82)	1,711.54	231.95	41.27	(8.82)		239.40	1,950.94
119	1983 Roy Dummer Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.11%	1,816.84		95.00		(9.80)	1,902.04	1,686.62	45.87	(9.80)		1,691.69	3,593.72
120	1985 unknown Cemetery Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.03%	576.76		30.16		(3.11)	603.81	127.14	14.56	(3.11)		98.59	702.40
122	1983 Ethel Gilley Stone Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.02%	384.51		20.10		(2.07)	402.54	9.71	7.71	(2.07)		379.11	401.82
123	1986 MM Clayton Sargent Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.05%	817.44		42.74		(4.41)	855.77	46.71	20.64	(4.41)		52.93	908.71
124	1989 Ethel Greer Gravesone Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.01%	922.26		39.25		(1.94)	951.57	34.00	18.52	(1.94)		31.58	983.09
126	1989 Ethel Greer Gravesone Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.01%	922.26		39.25		(1.94)	951.57	34.00	18.52	(1.94)		31.58	983.09
127	1989 Albert Wakefield Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.05%	852.67		44.58		(4.60)	892.66	115.07	21.53	(4.60)		92.00	984.66
128	1988 William Gravesone Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.05%	852.67		44.58		(4.60)	892.66	115.07	21.53	(4.60)		92.00	984.66
129	1987 William Gravesone Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.05%	852.67		44.58		(4.60)	892.66	115.07	21.53	(4.60)		92.00	984.66
130	1999 Robert Merrill Flower Fund	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.04%	781.38		39.03		(4.30)	846.11	104.10	20.40	(4.30)		112.11	958.22
130	1999 Phibrex/Elliott Family	Flowers	Common TR Fd	0.39%	4,626.45		350.13		(36.33)	5,012.68	169.26	169.26	(36.33)		1,060.61	6,073.29
	Total Flower Funds				28,967.75	0.00	1,514.65	0.00	(156.28)	30,326.12	6,682.14	731.31	(430.00)	(156.28)	6,827.17	37,153.29
109	1997 Library Funds	Improvements	Common TR Fd	0.52%	885.03		43.09		(4.30)	923.77	38.05	30.32	(4.30)		54.03	977.80
110	1970 Pleasant Fund	Books	Common TR Fd	0.42%	7,200.00		376.49		(38.85)	7,538.04	170.78	181.78	(38.85)		142.93	7,680.97
111	1922 Goodwin, Hazelle, Knox Tabbert & Greer	Books	Common TR Fd	0.40%	6,885.34		100.53		(10.37)	7,200.21	163.31	173.62	(10.37)		136.68	7,336.89
112	1933 T. Butterfield Fund	Books	Common TR Fd	0.11%	1,922.58		100.53		(10.37)	2,013.73	45.60	48.54	(10.37)		38.16	2,052.89
113	1988 William Gravesone Flower Fund	Books	Common TR Fd	0.02%	292.09		15.27		(1.58)	305.79	6.93	7.37	(1.58)		5.00	311.58
114	unknown Childrens Library	Books	Common TR Fd	0.02%	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
115	2007 Erabeth Merrill	Books	Common TR Fd	0.00%	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
	Total Library Funds				18,138.90	0.00	948.41	0.00	(97.86)	18,989.06	449.17	457.92	(111.12)	(97.85)	398.11	19,387.18
131	1992 Paul Lenary	Scholarship Funds	Common TR Fd	0.43%	7,462.01		597.03		(59.93)	7,912.11	245.22	156.57	(59.93)		188.36	8,100.46
132	1992 Kenilsh Fund	Scholarship Funds	Common TR Fd	0.07%	1,297.18		67.30		(6.94)	1,341.54	546.58	32.50	(6.94)		572.13	1,913.67
137	1996 William Marston Scholarship Fund	Scholarship Funds	Common TR Fd	0.50%	3,542.71		446.68		(46.09)	8,943.30	285.20	215.67	(46.09)		254.78	9,198.08
140	1995 Sarah A. Scholarship Fund (1)	Scholarship Funds	Common TR Fd	2.05%	413,137.83		21,654.34		(2,242.23)	440,951.45	9,445.26	10,855.15	(2,242.23)		1,612.98	442,563.43
151	2014 Greg Gouvan Scholarship	Scholarship Funds	Common TR Fd	0.18%	3,100.00		162.02		(16.22)	3,245.32	0.00	78.26	(16.22)		61.54	3,306.86
	Total Scholarship Funds				465,211.44	0.00	24,324.66	0.00	(2,509.77)	494,384.45	11,988.32	11,744.54	(1,858.11)	(2,509.73)	9,365.02	503,749.46
133	1947 W. Richards Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	0.06%	961.28		50.26		(5.19)	1,006.36	611.01	24.27	(5.19)		630.09	1,636.45
135	1977 W. Richards Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	1.90%	32,703.15		1,709.36		(176.43)	34,236.68	1,546.67	825.61	(176.43)		1,469.18	35,705.86
136	1976 TriCentennial Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	0.04%	32.64		0.00		0.00	65.51	15.76	15.76	0.00		31.52	97.18
139	2001 Reserved for Future Trust	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	0.00%	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
141	unknown Goffstown Main Street	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	0.44%	7,596.16		397.18		(40.98)	7,952.36	359.02	191.77	(40.98)		150.79	8,103.15
143	1999 Program Trust Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	0.00%	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
158	2009 Cemetery Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	33.68%	524,924.35		30,326.35		(3,129.01)	602,191.69	6,430.92	14,621.31	(3,129.01)		18,154.26	620,345.95
159	2013 Cemetery Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	0.00%	646,477.86		33,801.03		(3,487.52)	676,761.37	12,127.26	16,319.97	(3,487.52)		21,964.64	698,726.02
144	1968 Milled Stark Funds	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	6.16%	106,051.16		5,451.13		(572.13)	111,021.15	24,849.99	2,677.33	(572.13)		26,955.19	137,976.34
145	1968 Town Hall Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	1.34%	2,071.15		126.33		(12.40)	2,154.08	1,090.42	582.45	(12.40)		1,518.40	3,672.48
146	1968 H.S. Library Fund	Various Funds	Common TR Fd	1.34%	2,071.15		126.33		(12.40)	2,154.08	1,090.42	582.45	(12.40)		1,518.40	3,672.48
147	1988 H.S. Scholarship Fund	Scholarship	Common TR Fd	1.34%	2,071.15		126.33		(12.40)	2,154.08	1,090.42	582.45	(12.40)		1,518.40	3,672.48
	Total Milled Stark Funds				152,241.23	0.00	7,960.29	0.00	(821.33)	159,380.19	27,305.16	3,843.42	(800.00)	(821.31)	29,527.26	188,907.45
	Total Common Trust Fund			100.00%	1,722,190.04	9,972.79	90,948.70	0.00	(9,297.03)	1,812,920.50	141,973.49	43,477.73	(19,284.00)	(9,290.91)	156,876.29	1,969,796.79

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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			BALANCE END YEAR	FEES	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
					BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR					
138	1997	Groffstown Town Hall Groffstown Town Hall Restoration Fund (2)	Restoration	100.00%	7,438.84	225.00	0.00	0.00	(46.93)	7,616.89	4,643.87	10.95	(2,566.13)	2,041.72	9,658.61
		TOTAL GROFFSTOWN TOWN HALL		100.00%	7,438.84	225.00	0.00	0.00	(46.93)	7,616.89	4,643.87	10.95	(2,566.13)	2,041.72	9,658.61
152	2003	Capital Reserve Fund			180,617.37					180,617.37	294.41	132.73		427.14	181,044.51
153	2005	Capital Reserve Fund	MBIA		88,457.20					48,884.20	143.40	54.85		198.25	69,084.45
154	2006	Blairfield Elementary School	MBIA		263,245.09			(19,571.00)		0.00	556.90	65.94	(62.84)	(0.00)	6,000.00
156	2008	Fire Equipment	MBIA		143,097.69	200,000.00		(263,245.09)		343,097.69	11.17	244.01		255.18	343,352.87
		TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			675,417.35	200,000.00	0.00	(282,816.09)	0.00	592,601.26	1,005.88	497.53	(62.84)	880.57	593,481.83
		TOTAL ALL FUNDS			2,405,046.23	210,197.79	90,048.70	(282,816.09)	(9,337.98)	2,413,388.65	147,623.24	43,986.21	(21,850.17)	(9,337.86)	2,572,937.23

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**REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, N.H. FOR YEAR ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2015
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NUMBER OF SHARES	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT NAME OF BANKS, STOCKS, BONDS	INCOME										GRAND TOTAL PRINCIPAL & INCOME END OF YEAR	UNREALIZED D GAIN/LOSS	END OF YEAR FAIR MARKET VALUE		
		BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	GAINS/LOSSES FROM SALES	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR				MARKET VALUE	
	Common Trust Fund															
	Cash & Cash Equivalents	49,658.36	(7,978.78)			41,679.58	52,761.16	52.63	(19,574.66)	33,239.13	74,918.71	102,419.52	0.00	74,918.71		
25,000	Berkshire Hathaway 2.90% 10/15/20	25,338.23				25,338.23	0.00	725.00	(725.00)	0.00	25,338.23	25,634.50	274.75	25,909.25		
50,000	Cargill Inc. 1.900% 3/1/17	50,760.50				50,760.50	0.00	950.00	(950.00)	0.00	50,760.50	50,522.00	(299.50)	50,222.50		
25,000	Chevron 2.193% 11/15/19	0.00	25,145.50			25,145.50	0.00	(35.03)	35.03	0.00	25,145.50	0.00	(156.50)	24,989.00		
25,000	Disney Walt Co 2.750% 8/16/21	25,170.10				25,170.10	0.00	687.50	(687.50)	0.00	25,170.10	25,403.00	107.75	25,413.75		
0	E M C Corp Mass 1.875% 6/1/18	25,057.00		24,101.50	(955.50)	0.00	0.00	472.67	(472.67)	0.00	0.00	24,915.00	(813.50)	0.00		
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 4.875% 1/17/2017	25,792.95		50,000.00	(367.00)	25,792.95	0.00	1,218.76	(1,218.76)	0.00	25,792.95	27,052.50	(1,040.50)	26,012.00		
0	Fred Farm Credit Bks 4.5% 12/15/2015	50,367.00				0.00	0.00	2,250.00	(2,250.00)	0.00	0.00	51,971.00	(1,971.00)	0.00		
50,000	Fred Farm Credit Bks 5.125% 8/25/2016	51,274.50				51,274.50	0.00	2,562.50	(2,562.50)	0.00	51,274.50	53,701.00	(2,274.50)	51,426.50		
50,000	Fred Home Ln Mfg Corp 1.375% 5/01/2020	48,830.50				48,830.50	0.00	687.50	(687.50)	0.00	48,830.50	48,768.50	470.00	49,228.50		
50,000	FNMA 1.875% 12/28/20	0.00	49,998.00			49,998.00	0.00	26.05	(26.05)	0.00	49,998.00	0.00	(25.00)	49,973.00		
50,000	General Electric 2.700% 10/09/2022	49,963.70				49,963.70	0.00	1,350.00	(1,350.00)	0.00	49,963.70	50,020.50	(330.00)	49,790.50		
25,000	McDonalds Corp 1.875% 5/29/19	24,968.00				24,968.00	0.00	466.76	(466.76)	0.00	24,968.00	24,826.00	(131.50)	24,694.50		
50,000	Oacle Corp 2.375% 1/15/19	50,472.00		460.13	(6.78)	50,472.00	0.00	1,187.50	(1,187.50)	0.00	50,472.00	50,865.00	(93.00)	50,772.00		
0.000	Pimco Fds Total Return Inst #35	466.91				0.00	0.00	34.19	(34.19)	0.00	0.00	452.07	8.06	0.00		
50,000	US Treas Note 2.000% 10/31/21	0.00	49,888.67			49,888.67	0.00	372.28	(372.28)	0.00	49,888.67	0.00	249.83	50,138.50		
50,000	US Treas Note 1.500% 5/31/21	0.00	49,531.25			49,531.25	0.00	342.21	(342.21)	0.00	49,531.25	0.00	37.25	49,568.50		
6,522.567	Vanguard Interim-Term Bd Indx #6314	75,400.86		249.68		75,650.54	0.00	1,940.48	(1,940.48)	0.00	75,650.54	74,495.68	(1,051.58)	73,444.10		
50,000	Wachovia Corp 5.75% 6/15/2017	56,425.00				56,425.00	0.00	2,875.00	(2,875.00)	0.00	56,425.00	55,201.50	(2,271.00)	52,930.50		
25,000	Wal-Mart Stores 1.950% 12/15/18	25,239.00				25,239.00	0.00	487.50	(487.50)	0.00	25,239.00	25,322.25	48.50	25,370.75		
25,000	Wells Fargo Co. Mtn 2.125% 4/22/19	24,995.75				24,995.75	0.00	531.26	(531.26)	0.00	24,995.75	24,993.50	36.75	25,030.25		
0.000	Air Products & Chemicals Inc.	9,293.40		26,293.91	17,000.51	0.00	0.00	284.40	(284.40)	0.00	0.00	25,961.40	332.51	0.00		
0.000	Exxon Mobil	4,194.00		9,009.80	4,815.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,245.00	(935.20)	0.00		
0.000	General Electric Co.	8,717.50		5,964.89	(2,752.61)	0.00	0.00	57.50	(67.50)	0.00	0.00	6,317.50	(352.61)	0.00		
0.000	Illinois Tool Works	1,503.75		14,194.23	12,690.48	0.00	0.00	145.50	(145.50)	0.00	0.00	14,205.00	(107.77)	0.00		
1,850,000	iShares MSCI EAFE ETF	105,737.72		9,756.21	(2,719.29)	93,262.22	0.00	2,600.84	(2,600.84)	0.00	93,262.22	106,089.00	(5,316.79)	91,016.00		
315,000	iShares Russell Midcap Value Index Fund	14,938.88				14,938.88	0.00	620.60	(620.60)	0.00	14,938.88	23,234.40	(1,606.50)	21,627.90		
1,400,000	iShares Select Dividend ETF	102,739.43				102,739.43	0.00	3,625.53	(3,625.53)	0.00	102,739.43	111,160.00	(5,950.00)	105,210.00		
150,000	Johnson & Johnson	8,164.50				8,164.50	0.00	442.50	(442.50)	0.00	8,164.50	15,685.50	(277.50)	15,408.00		
17,235.233	JPMorgan Disciplined Equity Instl	308,513.45	40,000.00			364,520.21	0.00	4,857.99	(4,857.99)	0.00	364,520.21	350,118.92	(13,012.44)	377,106.48		
0.000	PepsiCo	5,557.34		18,785.65	16,006.76	0.00	0.00	402.50	(402.50)	0.00	0.00	18,912.00	(126.35)	0.00		
1,700,000	SPDR S&P 500 ETF	322,912.86		42,283.22	13,025.84	293,655.48	0.00	7,432.84	(7,432.84)	0.00	293,655.48	390,526.00	(3,326.55)	346,579.00		
335,000	SPDR S&P Midcap 400 ETF	51,461.87		4,495.74	287.65	0.00	0.00	1,176.69	(1,176.69)	0.00	51,461.87	88,429.95	(3,326.55)	85,103.40		
0.000	T Rowe Price Small Cap Stock Fd #65	4,208.09		8,513.83	3,089.83	5,424.00	0.00	249.00	(249.00)	0.00	5,424.00	17,980.00	(932.17)	8,534.00		
200,000	US Bancorp Del	10,848.00				10,848.00	0.00	931.80	(931.80)	0.00	10,848.00	101,426.13	(6,818.22)	118,244.35		
1,531.861	Vanguard Morgan Growth Admiral #526	110,150.83	10,000.00			128,804.06	0.00	295.00	(295.00)	0.00	128,804.06	21,928.00	(650.22)	10,872.00		
200,000	Wells Fargo	4,622.50		10,405.78	8,094.53	2,311.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,311.25	0.00	(650.22)	10,872.00		
	Total Common Trust Fund	1,733,744.48	216,584.64	224,264.89	90,341.44	1,816,405.67	52,761.16	42,309.45	(61,831.48)	33,239.13	1,849,644.80	2,022,384.61	(35,646.39)	1,959,533.94		

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		BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	PURCHASES	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	GAINS/LOSSES FROM SALES	BALANCE END YEAR	ADDITIONS	PROCEEDS FROM SALES	GAINS/LOSSES FROM SALES	BALANCE END YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR				
	Trust Funds - Prior Years																
	Cash and Cash Equivalents	30,103.40	(6,114.82)			23,988.58				2,261.75	898.48	(2,394.37)	765.86	24,754.44	(0.00)	24,754.44	
25,000	Fed Farm Cr Bk 0.780% 4/18/16	0.00	25,133.50			25,133.50				0.00	139.75	(139.75)	0.00	25,133.50	(113.00)	25,020.50	
10,000	Fed Farm Cr Bk 0.750% 5/30/17	0.00	9,972.50			9,972.50				0.00	(3.12)	3.12	0.00	9,972.50	(13.40)	9,959.10	
25,000	Fed Home Loan Bank 1.000% 6/9/17	0.00	25,119.70			25,119.70				0.00	115.97	(115.97)	0.00	25,119.70	(124.95)	24,994.75	
0	Fed Home Loan Bank 1.375% 12/11/15	10,171.60		10,000.00		0.00	(171.60)			0.00	137.50	(137.50)	0.00	0.00	(91.90)	0.00	
0	Fed Home Loan Bank .500% 11/20/15	10,032.14		10,000.00		(0.00)	(32.14)			0.00	50.00	(50.00)	0.00	(0.00)	(14.70)	0.00	
25,000	Fed Home Loan Mitg 0.875% 10/14/16	0.00	25,165.85			25,165.85				0.00	156.78	(156.78)	0.00	25,165.85	(147.35)	25,018.50	
10,000	Fed Natl Mitg Assn. .500% 3/30/16	0.00	10,006.00			10,006.00				0.00	(7.92)	7.92	0.00	10,006.00	(5.20)	10,000.80	
0	Tenn Val Auth 4.375% 6/15/2012	25,089.00		25,000.00		0.00	(89.00)			0.00	546.88	(546.88)	0.00	0.00	(448.00)	0.00	
	Total Trust Funds - Prior Years	75,396.14	89,282.73	45,000.00	(292.74)	119,386.13			2,261.75	2,034.32	(3,530.21)	765.86	120,151.99	77,919.75	(958.50)	119,748.09	
	Grassmere Town Hall																
	Cash and Cash Equivalents	12,082.71	(2,424.30)			9,658.41			(0.00)	2,613.30	(2,613.10)	0.20	9,658.61	12,082.71	0.00	9,658.61	
	Total Grassmere Town Hall	12,082.71	(2,424.30)	0.00	0.00	9,658.41			(0.00)	2,613.30	(2,613.10)	0.20	9,658.61	12,082.71	0.00	9,658.61	
	Total All Funds	1,821,223.33	303,443.07	269,264.89	90,048.70	1,945,450.21			55,022.91	46,957.07	(67,974.79)	34,005.19	1,979,455.40	2,112,387.07	(36,606.89)	2,089,940.64	

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OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

2001 Landfill Closure Bond State Rev. Fund				2011 LVDP Water Project			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total	Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	164,000	6,113	170,113	2016	34,859	18,385	53,244
Total	164,000	6,113	170,113	2017	35,857	17,387	53,244
				2018	36,884	16,360	53,244
				2019	37,941	15,303	53,244
				2020	39,027	14,217	53,244
				2021	40,145	13,099	53,244
				2022	41,295	11,949	53,244
				2023	42,478	10,766	53,244
				2024	43,694	9,550	53,244
				2025	44,946	8,298	53,244
				2026	46,233	7,011	53,244
				2027	47,557	5,687	53,244
				2028	48,919	4,325	53,244
				2029	50,320	2,924	53,244
				2030	51,761	1,483	53,244
				Total	641,916	156,744	798,660

2002 Supplemental Landfill Closure SRF			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	4,311	299	4,610
2017	4,311	150	4,461
Total	8,622	449	9,071

2012 ARRA South Mast Drainage			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	84,617	719	85,336
Total	84,617	719	85,336

GENERAL FUND TOTALS

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	287,787	25,516	313,303
2017	40,168	17,836	58,004
2018	36,884	16,360	53,244
2019	37,941	15,303	53,244
2020	39,027	14,217	53,244
2021	40,145	13,099	53,244
2022	41,295	11,949	53,244
2023	42,478	10,766	53,244
2024	43,694	9,550	53,244
2025	44,946	8,298	53,244
2026	46,233	7,011	53,244
2027	47,557	5,687	53,244
2028	48,919	4,325	53,244
2029	50,320	2,924	53,244
2030	51,761	1,483	53,244
Total	899,155	164,324	1,063,479

OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE SEWER FUND

2001 General Obligation Bond Knollcrest

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	75,000	3,600	78,600
Total	75,000	3,600	78,600

2012 SRF ARRA Mast Road Upgrade

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	109,342	13,695	123,037
2017	111,202	11,835	123,037
2018	113,092	9,945	123,037
2019	115,014	8,023	123,037
2020	116,970	6,067	123,037
2021	118,958	4,079	123,037
2022	120,980	2,057	123,037
Total	805,558	55,701	861,259

SEWER FUND TOTALS

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	184,342	17,295	201,637
2017	111,202	11,835	123,037
2018	113,092	9,945	123,037
2019	115,014	8,023	123,037
2020	116,970	6,067	123,037
2021	118,958	4,079	123,037
2022	120,980	2,057	123,037
Total	880,558	59,301	939,859

2016 TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY

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	2014		2015*		2016		
	Adopted	Actuals	Adopted	YTD	Encumbrance	Default	Proposed
TOWN HALL							
41300 Admin & Economic Develo	787,699	739,663	811,413	742,494	17,610	866,706	843,543
41400 Town Clerk	183,847	168,553	187,345	177,988	0	189,824	193,716
41401 Election	36,499	32,168	20,032	16,824	0	61,244	61,244
41500 Finance	265,832	258,835	274,083	266,489	0	283,083	284,136
41510 Tax Collection	87,936	84,921	88,590	88,002	0	89,355	89,984
41530 Information Technology	413,661	389,498	425,018	417,244	638	425,122	439,461
41520 Revaluation of Property	195,074	184,408	194,145	185,195	0	196,395	198,204
41910 Planning & Zoning	222,163	208,310	224,000	233,180	0	225,682	227,519
41990 Other General Governmen	20,500	13,353	20,000	14,261	2,760	20,000	20,000
42400 Building/Health Inspect	84,825	79,363	86,037	81,122	0	86,899	88,055
44410 Human Services	81,847	70,838	82,819	58,298	0	83,209	75,543
TOWN HALL TOTAL	2,379,883	2,229,910	2,413,482	2,281,096	21,008	2,527,519	2,521,405
POLICE DEPT.							
42101 Police Operations	3,942,034	3,700,598	3,969,074	3,703,944	0	4,070,136	4,091,685
42104 Police Communications	773,278	728,075	769,054	719,867	0	811,840	814,319
POLICE TOTAL	4,715,312	4,428,674	4,738,128	4,423,811	0	4,881,976	4,906,004
FIRE DEPT.							
42201 Fire Operations	2,576,457	2,462,375	2,538,431	2,408,389	5,000	2,545,810	2,581,225
42102 Emergency Management	2,401	794	3,924	2,532	0	4,509	5,759
FIRE TOTAL	2,578,858	2,463,168	2,542,355	2,410,921	5,000	2,550,319	2,586,984
PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.							
41950 Cemetery Operations	109,984	110,774	111,719	99,402	35	111,704	108,736
43111 Public Works-Highway	3,123,646	2,826,065	3,131,089	2,926,108	178,308	3,209,925	3,213,210
43124 Stormwater/Utilities	229,648	148,314	206,590	104,585	7,664	190,034	154,604
43190 Fleet	584,094	578,774	567,426	551,556	0	520,889	524,673
43230 Solid Waste Operations	1,060,317	1,025,235	1,080,790	1,088,733	15,000	1,003,002	1,001,224
PUBLIC WORKS TOTAL	5,107,689	4,689,163	5,097,614	4,770,384	201,007	5,035,554	5,002,447
PARKS AND REC DEPT.							
45201 Parks & Rec Operations	428,333	415,034	431,723	429,676	0	436,525	443,828
PARKS AND REC TOTAL	428,333	415,034	431,723	429,676	0	436,525	443,828
LIBRARY DEPT.							
45501 Library Operations	717,709	709,620	734,103	717,673	1,550	722,937	735,040
LIBRARY TOTAL	717,709	709,620	734,103	717,673	1,550	722,937	735,040

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2016 TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY

	2014		2015*		2016	
	Adopted	Actuals	Adopted	YTD	Default	Proposed
DEBT SERVICE						
47110 Principal-Long Trm Bond	251,507	251,507	252,216	252,214	252,928	252,928
47230 DS-ST INTEREST	1	0	2	0	1	1
47111 LVDP WATER MAIN	53,244	53,244	53,245	53,244	53,244	53,244
47120 Debt Serv-Long Term Bon	21,078	21,078	14,108	14,108	7,131	7,131
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL	325,830	325,828	319,571	319,566	313,304	313,304
CIP						
LAND TOTAL	450,000	440,417	450,000	420,013	0	0
MACH, VEH & EQUIP TOTAL	716,606	513,895	592,372	577,740	592,372	552,906
BUILDINGS TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	85,000
IMP OTHER THN BLDG TOTAL	0	0	121,000	108,641	571,000	664,500
CIP TOTAL	1,166,606	954,312	1,163,372	1,106,393	1,163,372	1,302,406
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	17,420,220	16,215,709	17,440,348	16,459,520	17,631,506	17,811,418
EMS REVENUE FUND						
42150 EMS-SRF	417,962	365,604	420,691	354,056	413,941	422,232
EMS-SRF TOTAL	417,962	365,604	420,691	354,056	413,941	422,232
SEWER BUDGET						
43260 Sewer Administration	455,261	408,980	363,859	315,508	342,469	343,035
43261 Sewer Operations	1,214,000	682,445	1,111,403	1,060,570	1,055,600	1,110,176
43262 Sewer Pump Stations	73,501	47,611	72,751	44,800	72,751	153,051
SEWER TOTAL	1,742,762	1,139,036	1,548,013	1,420,878	1,470,820	1,606,262
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND TOTAL	1,742,762	1,139,036	1,548,013	1,420,878	1,470,820	1,606,262
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	19,580,944	17,720,349	19,409,052	18,234,454	19,516,267	19,839,912
Article 13 - Bond for Fire Station 18						2,300,000
Article 15 - Firefighters CBA						35,097
Article 16 - Fire Apparatus CRF						225,000
Article 17 - SCBAs & Jaws of Life						280,000
Article 18 - Ambulance						230,000
Article 19 - Road Plan						250,000
Article 20 - Goffstown Main Street Program						20,000
Article 21 - Crispins House						20,000
Article 22 - Milfoil						15,000
TOTAL SPECIAL/SEP. ARTICLES						3,375,097
TOTAL BUDGET & ARTICLES						23,215,009

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ADMINISTRATION

REPORT OF THE ASSESSING OFFICE

The Town's assessments and assessment practices were reviewed by the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration for the 2013 tax year. The Town successfully passed all criteria established by the Assessing Standards Board. The 2013 level of assessment was 99.3%. In 2014 the level of assessment dropped to 94.7%. Based on preliminary findings, it is expected that the 2015 level of assessment will be around 92%.

The Assessing Office has a five-year contract with KRT Appraisal to measure and list 4,000 residential properties over five years; this was started in 2012. Approximately 800 residential properties were inspected by a KRT Assessor in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. This is an on-going process that will be completed in 2016. Post cards are being sent to property owners 1-4 weeks prior to the expected visit and requests for appointments are made if property owners are not present at the time of the visit.

The Assessing Office has improved, and is continuing to improve, the quality of its assessments without causing undue disruption to taxpayers or large budget increases. Since 2013, property values have started to rise as can be seen in the decrease in the level of assessment. As a result, it is expected that the Town will be updating values in order to maintain a level of assessment at or near 100%. The Assessing Office asks for the continued understanding and cooperation of its citizens. Assessing is an ongoing process. The participation of taxpayers in this process is not only welcomed, but encouraged.

Respectively Submitted,
Scott W. Bartlett, CNHA
Assessor

2015 INVENTORY VALUATION (MS-1)

LAND		
Current Use	\$	802,100
Conservation Restriction Assessment		0
Discretionary Easement		100
Residential		442,486,800
Commercial/Industrial		61,993,500
Total Taxable Land		\$ 505,282,500
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		52,150,600

BUILDINGS		
Residential	\$	708,498,900
Manufactured Housing		15,276,200
Commercial/Industrial		92,879,700
Discretionary Preservation Easement		68,000
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$ 816,722,800
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		100,423,500

PUBLIC UTILITIES		
Electric	\$	38,293,000
Gas		2,380,400
Total Public Utilities		\$ 40,673,400

TAXABLE VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS \$1,362,678,700

EXEMPTIONS:	NUMBER	AMOUNT
Certain Disabled Veterans	2	\$ 368,000
School Dining/Dorms/Kitchen	1	150,000
Blind	8	135,000
Elderly	218	12,820,500
Solar Energy Systems	7	31,900
Total Exemptions	223	\$13,505,400

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED **\$1,349,173,300**

NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED **\$1,308,499,900**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS GRANTED \$ 428,500

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
4-103	16 MAPLE AV	4	302,400	2,907,400	3,209,800
5-14-1	251 ELM ST	26	326,400	1,289,900	1,616,300
5-98	27 WALLACE RD	30	1,324,500	11,184,700	12,509,200
8-74	41 LAUREN LN	60	1,369,100	8,908,000	10,277,100
17-182	689 MAST RD	1	411,600	1,203,200	1,614,800
34-138	11 SCHOOL ST	1	143,500	259,000	402,500
GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALS		122	\$3,877,500	\$25,752,200	\$29,629,700

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-37	MOUNTAIN RD	110	449,400	0	449,400
1-38	BACK MOUNTAIN RD	465	1,008,800	88,700	1,097,500
4-11	OFF HILLSDALE DR	0	75,800	34,400	110,200
4-16-2	MOUNTAIN RD	16	75,800	0	75,800
7-2	MAST RD	24	42,200	11,000	53,200
7-5	NORTH MAST ST	4	85,700	94,600	180,300
7-8-1	NORTH MAST ST	24	108,200	0	108,200
7-106-2	HIGH ST	1	65,800	0	65,800
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT TOTALS		644	\$1,911,700	\$228,700	\$2,140,400

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-35	MOUNTAIN RD	137	346,000	0	346,000
2-39-4	OFF BACK MOUNTAIN RD	2	92,900	0	92,900
2-64-28	SHIRLEY HILL RD	3	1,600	0	1,600
2-64-29	ADDISON RD	7	6,500	0	6,500
3-9	OFF SCHOOL HOUSE RD	1	1,700	0	1,700
4-61	OFF NEW BOSTON RD	21	27,600	0	27,600
5-14	GOFFSTOWN BACK RD	40	280,500	7,000	287,500
5-15-3	ELM ST	2	317,100	0	317,100
5-15-4	ELM ST	5	283,500	0	283,500
5-24	404 ELM ST	71	1,006,200	811,300	1,817,500
5-38-39	JUNIPER DR	6	38,300	0	38,300
5-97	WALLACE RD	1	15,700	0	15,700
6-39-1-A	326 MAST RD	2	511,000	1,381,800	1,892,800
7-72	NORTH MAST ST	9	203,000	22,200	225,200
8-44	OFF LOCUST HILL RD	3	3,600	0	3,600
9-29-1	289 TIRRELL HILL RD	2	123,400	229,800	353,200

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
10-11	TENNEY RD	1	7,500	0	7,500
12-10A	OFF MONTELONA RD	60	112,600	0	112,600
15-58	ROSEMONT ST	2	93,900	0	93,900
15-59	ROSEMONT ST	0	6,900	0	6,900
15-57A	31 ROSEMONT ST	4	103,600	103,400	207,000
15-73A	31 ROSEMONT ST	0	7,500	0	7,500
16-118	OFF MOREAU ST	0	800	0	800
16-225-1	PINE HILL AV	0	4,000	0	4,000
16-117A	BROOK ST	0	1,500	0	1,500
17-37	656 MAST RD	1	309,800	954,500	1,264,300
17-238	36 LAURIER ST	38	545,500	36,500	582,000
17-220A	LOUIS ST	0	5,600	0	5,600
19-21	2 SHORE DR	3	128,300	600	128,900
19-47-1	OFF EAST UNION ST	1	6,800	0	6,800
19-47-2	OFF SHIRLEY PARK RD	1	6,400	0	6,400
19-47-3	OFF SOUTH MAST ST	0	2,500	0	2,500
19-47-4	OFF BLUE JAY LN	4	22,100	0	22,100
19-47-5	OFF MAST RD	2	8,500	0	8,500
19-47-6	OFF MAST RD	5	23,800	0	23,800
19-47-7	OFF MAST RD	0	1,400	0	1,400
19-47-8	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	2	9,100	0	9,100
19-47-9	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	6	30,800	0	30,800
19-47-10	OFF DANIS PARK RD	1	6,900	0	6,900
19-47-11	OFF MORGAN CR	2	11,000	0	11,000
19-47-12	OFF LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	8	41,900	0	41,900
19-47-13	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	8	41,200	0	41,200
19-47-14	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	2	10,900	0	10,900
19-47-15	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	1	5,700	0	5,700
21-85	60 COVE ST	0	67,000	0	67,000
21-64A	BAY ST	0	26,300	0	26,300
24-37	ANDRE/RUSSELL	1	18,900	0	18,900
24-43	ANDRE ST	0	4,600	0	4,600
24-44	REM DR	1	900	0	900
24-84	2 WATER RD	0	33,400	0	33,400
24-44R-6	REM DR	1	5,300	0	5,300
24-59A	LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	0	24,100	0	24,100
26-13A	MAST RD/HENRY BRIDGE	0	11,700	0	11,700
27-23	HENRY BRIDGE RD	0	26,900	0	26,900

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
27-25	86 CENTER ST	9	45,000	2,000	47,000
28-28	87 CENTER ST	0	68,000	167,000	235,000
30-81	9 BARNARD LN	18	531,800	159,300	691,100
30-25A	PINERIDGE ST	2	10,000	0	10,000
30-29A	HIGHLAND AV	0	12,500	0	12,500
30-43A	SOUTH MAST ST	0	600	0	600
31-19	155 SOUTH MAST ST	1	86,000	243,700	329,700
32-26E-18	HERMSDORF AV	0	13,500	0	13,500
32-26E-19	HERMSDORF AV	0	13,500	0	13,500
32-26E-22	HERMSDORF AV	0	13,200	0	13,200
32-26E-30	JANICE DR	0	13,100	0	13,100
32-26E-55	THOMAS DR	0	13,900	0	13,900
34-83	16 MAIN ST	1	182,600	1,132,100	1,314,700
34-96	CHURCH ST	0	85,200	12,700	97,900
34-99	CHURCH ST	1	105,000	0	105,000
34-107	2 HIGH ST	1	186,800	325,600	512,400
34-114-1	50 ELM ST	0	40,300	0	40,300
34-127-1	MILL ST	0	6,800	0	6,800
34-129	MILL ST	0	7,100	0	7,100
34-148	MAIN ST	0	152,200	9,200	161,400
34-152	MAIN ST	0	148,500	0	148,500
37-9	83 NORTH MAST ST	9	189,000	0	189,000
38-13	18 CHURCH ST	1	187,600	680,700	868,300
40-11	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,900	0	4,900
40-12	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	36,300	0	36,300
40-22	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	5,000	0	5,000
40-23	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-47	197 PERIMETER RD	0	33,300	300	33,600
40-51	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	5,000	0	5,000
40-52	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-57	MAPLE LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-60	41 CRESCENT LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-86	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-87	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-90	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-94	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-113	222 PERIMETER RD	0	138,800	74,700	213,500
40-50A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	4,700	0	4,700

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41-34	CHOCORUA AV	4	23,800	0	23,800
41-47	KAOKA AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-49	KAOKA AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-50	KAOKA AV	0	10,000	0	10,000
41-52	INCLINE AV	0	4,800	400	5,200
41-56	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-59	MASCOMA AV	0	4,800	0	4,800
41-69	46 INCLINE AV	0	4,900	0	4,900
41-78	RAILROAD AV	0	5,800	0	5,800
42-4	RAILROAD AV	0	9,300	0	9,300
42-6	3 ORR ST	0	12,800	0	12,800
42-30	169 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	78,700	0	78,700
43-24-1	ARROWHEAD DR	0	59,500	20,000	79,500
99-9-9	PUBLIC ROW	0	9,520,000	0	9,520,000
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN TOTALS		527	\$17,175,700	\$6,374,800	\$23,550,500

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
19-15	19 CHANNEL LN	0	16,900	2,000	18,900
34-177	27 EAST UNION ST	4	139,000	167,300	306,300
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER TOTALS		4	\$155,900	\$169,300	\$325,200

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
7-3-1	OFF MAST RD	5	16,400	0	16,400
31-22	OFF MAST RD	1	56,200	0	56,200
35-48	ISLAND ON GLEN LAKE	2	125,200	0	125,200
40-1	CRESCENT LN	0	53,000	0	53,000
40-8	PERIMETER RD	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-14	CRESCENT LN	0	5,100	0	5,100
40-15	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	26	81,200	0	81,200
40-16	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,900	0	4,900
40-17	CRESENT LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-18	CRESENT LN	0	4,900	0	4,900
40-19	CRESENT LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-20	CRESENT LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-21	CRESENT LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-24	CRESENT LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-25	CRESENT LN	1	5,400	0	5,400
40-27	PERIMETER RD	0	4,900	0	4,900
40-29	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	5,000	0	5,000

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
40-34	SUMMIT RD	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-35	SUMMIT RD	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-42	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	5	18,200	0	18,200
40-50	OFF PERIMETER RD	1	5,400	0	5,400
40-53	BEECH LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-54	SUMMIT AV	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-56	MAPLE LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-58	SUMMIT RD	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-59	MAPLE LN	0	5,100	0	5,100
40-61	CHESTNUT LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-63	CHESTNUT LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-64	CHESTNUT/SUMMIT	0	5,000	0	5,000
40-65	BEECH LN	0	5,100	0	5,100
40-66	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-67	BEECH LN	0	1,400	0	1,400
40-68	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-69	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-70	CHESTNUT LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-71	CHESTNUT LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-72	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-73	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-74	CHESTNUT LN	0	5,300	0	5,300
40-76	BIRCH LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-77	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-78	BIRCH LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-79	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-80	BIRCH LN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-81	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-82	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-83	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-85	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-88	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-89	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,900	0	4,900
40-91	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-92	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-93	CEDAR LN	0	4,700	0	4,700
40-95	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	5,000	0	5,000
40-97	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,800	0	4,800

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40-98	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	4,900	0	4,900
40-99	PINE LN	1	2,900	0	2,900
40-101	PINE LN	0	5,200	0	5,200
40-103	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	4,800	0	4,800
40-104	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1	2,600	0	2,600
40-105	SUMMIT AV	6	21,300	0	21,300
40-106	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1	4,100	0	4,100
40-107	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1	4,300	0	4,300
40-115	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	38	89,800	0	89,800
40-47A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	2,300	0	2,300
40-4A	UNCANOONUC MTN	3	9,700	0	9,700
41-6	FOREST AV	0	9,800	0	9,800
41-7	36 INCLINE AV	0	10,500	0	10,500
41-9	INCLINE AV	0	9,900	0	9,900
41-11	INCLINE AV	1	7,000	0	7,000
41-14	MOUNTAIN/PARK AV	1	11,900	0	11,900
41-15	MOUNTAIN AV	1	7,000	0	7,000
41-16	MOUNTAIN AV	0	10,600	0	10,600
41-17	MOUNTAIN AV	0	4,800	0	4,800
41-19	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,700	0	9,700
41-21	PARK AV	2	16,100	0	16,100
41-22	CROWN AV	0	10,400	0	10,400
41-23	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,400	0	9,400
41-24	UNCANOONUC AV	0	10,000	0	10,000
41-29	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-30	INCLINE AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-31	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	9,500	0	9,500
41-32	KAOKA AV	1	11,000	0	11,000
41-33	KAOKA AV	3	14,500	0	14,500
41-35	WONOLANCET AV	1	13,800	0	13,800
41-36	WONOLANCET AV	2	9,000	0	9,000
41-37	MASCOMA AV	3	18,600	0	18,600
41-38	CHOCORUA AV	0	1,400	0	1,400
41-39	CHOCORUA AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-40	CHOCORUA AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-41	CHOCORUA AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-42	CHOCORUA AV	0	10,500	0	10,500
41-43	CHOCORUA AV	1	12,400	0	12,400

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41-45	KAOKA AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-46	KAOKA AV	0	10,000	0	10,000
41-48	KAOKA AV	1	11,100	0	11,100
41-51	MASCOMA AV	0	48,000	0	48,000
41-61	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-62	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
41-75	SOUTH MTN BASE/RR AV	1	15,400	0	15,400
41-76	RAILROAD AV	0	10,200	0	10,200
41-77	RAILROAD AV	0	12,200	0	12,200
41-79	MASCOMA AV	0	10,000	0	10,000
41-80	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	10,000	0	10,000
41-37A	MASCOMA AV	1	11,000	0	11,000
41-64A	UNCANOONUC AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-2	RAILROAD AV	0	10,700	0	10,700
42-5	OFF RAILROAD AV	0	10,700	0	10,700
42-12	INCLINE AV	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-15	MOUNTAIN AV	0	10,000	0	10,000
42-18	MOUNTAIN AV	1	11,700	0	11,700
42-19	ORR ST	1	2,400	0	2,400
42-22	PARK AV	1	12,600	0	12,600
42-23	CROWN AV	1	13,500	0	13,500
42-24	CHESTNUT SLOPE	2	180,000	0	180,000
42-25	CHESTNUT SLOPE	2	6,900	0	6,900
42-28	165 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-29	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	15,000	0	15,000
42-31	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	15,100	0	15,100
42-32	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-33	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	10,000	0	10,000
42-35	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-36	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-37	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-40	OFF MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	15,800	0	15,800
42-41	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	9,600	0	9,600
42-42	CHESTNUT SLOPE	4	22,600	0	22,600
42-45	LAKE UNCANOONUC	0	9,900	0	9,900
42-51	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	9,200	8,800	18,000
GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		134	\$1,611,800	\$8,800	\$1,620,600
TOTALS					
GRAND TOTALS		1,430	\$24,732,600	\$32,533,800	\$57,266,400

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

This report comprises activities from the Planning and Zoning Office and the Building/Health Inspection Office as well as information regarding assessed values of properties in town. The citizen boards, committees and council participants are still reporting separately. These groups include the Economic Development Council, the Planning Board, its Capital Improvements Program Committee and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

PLANNING

There have been a number of planning applications reviewed this year, although they have mostly been for small projects such as lot line adjustments or small subdivisions. Goffstown welcomed two new separate businesses to town. Both Landscape Plus and OPUS Designers Cosigners have located their businesses to Daniel Plummer Road. Planning also worked on a few other projects this year. These include the yearly review of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) proposed matrix, and drafting the Planning Board's proposed zoning amendments for the 2016 Town Meeting consideration.

In addition to the committees listed above, the Planning and Zoning Office also serves as staff to several other boards and committees, including the Conservation Commission, Highway Safety Committee, Technical Review Committee (TRC), Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission's (SNHPC) Technical Advisory Committee and other project review committees through the Commission.

The Planning and Zoning Office continues to process applications for development, however the number of applications has significantly decreased. The table below shows the number of new Subdivision, Site Plan and Conceptual Plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year since 2006. The number of Time Extensions in 2010 through 2015 is indicative that developers are still finding it difficult to obtain financing for their projects and need to extend the time limits. Many of the time extensions being requested were approved prior to 2010.

Applications Reviewed by the Planning Board										
Type	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Subdivision	26	18	17	9	6	5	6	11	9	6
Site Plan	20	10	21	16	13	17	13	12	11	6
Conceptual	8	5	4	5	4	5	4	4	1	7
Total	54	33	42	30	23	27	23	27	21	17
Other Applications										
Time Extensions					9	7	6	3	5	2
Conditional Use Permits							8	15	5	3
Site Plan Waivers								5	2	0
Relief from Outer 50' of 100' WSWC District										2
Total					9	7	14	23	12	7

In 2015, many of these 6 Subdivision applications only created 1 new single-family house lot each. Most of the applications were either 2-lot subdivisions or Lot Line Adjustments (where no new lots are created). The 6 site plans were for non-residential development. The Conceptual reviews were for both residential and non-residential developments.

ZONING

The Planning and Zoning Administrator enforces the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as specific approval conditions attached to action taken by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), Planning Board, and Historic District Commission. Investigations into possible zoning violations are largely complaint driven, although all violations observed are also investigated. Once notified of a violation, the majority of property owners take corrective action to bring their property into compliance. When compliance cannot be achieved, the Planning and Zoning Administrator works with the Town Prosecutor to pursue legal action through the District Court.

The Planning and Zoning Office serves as staff to the ZBA; assisting applicants, preparing the Board's monthly agenda, providing a review of NH Supreme Court decisions, and serving as a liaison between the public and the Board. The Planning and Zoning Office reviews building permit applications to ensure zoning compliance, reviews sign permit applications, assists the Building Inspector/Health Officer, and performs such other duties as may be assigned.

In addition to enforcement in 2015 the Planning and Zoning Office processed applications for 41 Variances, 13 Special Exceptions, to the ZBA, 3 Rehearing Requests, 1 Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements, 3 Appeals From An Administrative Decision, and 1 Time Extension Request. Two applications were withdrawn by the applicant. The Planning and Zoning Administrator issued violation notices resulting in two of the appeals. The Planning and Zoning office issued 29 commercial and 33 special event sign permits and assisted property owners affected by 2009 modifications to FEMA flood insurance rate maps.

BUILDING

Permitting records for 2015 show that development is still reflecting the national housing market. New home construction has continued at a much slower rate since the downturn in the economy began. Our numbers indicate that this began around 2007. The number of 1-and-2-family dwelling units created has dropped from 21 units to 14 units. New multi-family dwelling units created this year were back to zero again. It continues to appear that most new single-family housing starts are not speculative, but only for homes that have actually been sold. Multi-family development has been occurring in small spurts every 3 or 4 years with lulls in between. This trend will most likely continue here in Goffstown.

Permitted Residential Dwelling Units										
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1 and 2-Family Units	38	20	20	20	15	14	28	22	21	14
Multi-Family Units	24	0	0	29	1	0	0	48	0	0

With this continuing lower level of home construction, Goffstown is experiencing growth at a lower rate so the pressures and effects of our own development on our town are not as great. Goffstown will, however, continue to face the challenges of growth, particularly of increased residential development and additional pressures on our roadways, due to the development of our neighboring communities to the west and north.

New residential construction was a reflection of the housing market in general. The town issued 14 permits that account for the 14 new single and two-family homes. Three single family homes were demolished and not rebuilt. So there was a net increase of 11 units in the Town.

The following table depicts permitting and planning activity and income over the past few years:

Permit / Fee Source	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	28	\$10,125	22	\$6,992	19	\$6,709	14	\$5,400
Condo/Multi-Family Units	0	\$0	48	\$12,465	0	\$0	0	\$0
Miscellaneous Residential Permits	432	\$24,361	259	\$13,593	259	\$21,074	505	\$23,136
New Commercial Permits	2	\$1,712	4	\$10,363	3	\$12,253	0	\$0
Miscellaneous Commercial Permits	62	\$4,105	53	\$15,796	38	\$7,867	58	\$9,380
Health Inspections	12	\$60	23	\$0	13	\$0	3	\$0
Junkyard Inspections	1	\$25	1	\$25	1	\$25	1	\$25
Mobile Home Park Inspections	2	\$200	2	\$200	2	\$200	4	\$400
Foster/Group/Day Care Inspection	5	\$150	6	\$270	17	\$710	7	\$230
Sign Permits	24	\$1,005	24	\$1,215	22	\$1,005	29	\$1,430
ZBA Applications	57	\$4,833	59	\$6,279		\$5,102	40	\$6,559
Planning Board Applications	37	\$22,070	43	\$16,811	33	\$27,097	24	\$8,153
Misc. Fees / Sales	-	\$804	-	\$1,228	-	\$407	-	\$1,097
TOTALS		\$69,450		\$84,209		\$82,042	-	\$55,810

(The Building Department along with collection of Building Permit Fees, also collects Life Safety Permit Fees for the Fire Department. This year there was a total of 323 permits issued at a value of \$17,780.00.)

The following table depicts impact fees collected over the past few years:

Permit / Impact Fee Source	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
School Impact Fees	26	\$125,068	15	\$195,878	17	\$94,604	14	\$83,445
Transportation Impact Fees	26	\$19,317	15	\$33,759	17	\$10,674	13	\$9,045
Recreation Impact Fees	26	\$25,300	15	\$26,230	17	\$14,550	14	\$12,910
Public Safety Facilities Impact Fees	26	\$20,496	15	\$45,384	17	\$13,176	14	\$10,980
Other Recreation Fees	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0		\$0
TOTALS		\$190,181		\$301,251		\$133,004	55	\$116,380

Town engineering review costs are also reimbursed through fees, or for larger projects, through an escrow account, as shown in the table below:

Engineering Reimbursement	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Fees	\$1,200	\$1,950	\$960	\$1,680	\$5,280	\$1,470	\$1,680
Initial Escrow	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$4,400	\$1,400	\$4,200	\$9,800	\$7,000
TOTALS	\$2,200	\$3,950	\$5,360	\$3,080	\$9,480	\$11,270	\$8,680

HEALTH

Goffstown was fortunate in 2015 not to have flooding as in prior years, and did not, therefore, face any significant public health issues. Aside from that, the Health Inspector did perform three (3) health inspections this year relating to miscellaneous health concerns.

Public health is a focus of the Town and we encourage all to promote and establish a safe, healthy environment for your home, business, and property within the Town and to be prepared for emergency situations such as those listed above.

ASSESSING

In the early 2000's, new residential development added to Goffstown's tax base, creating a decline in the proportion of non-residential property to residential property. With the recent decline in residential development, accompanied by the decline in the residential housing market, we are now seeing an increase in the proportion of non-residential property to residential property.

Total and Non-Residential Assessed Value (Millions)										
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total Assessed Value	1,251	1,262	1,419	1,421	1,425	1,337	1,343	1,337	1,352	1,363
Non-Residential Assessed Value	135	135	171	174	177	178.9	180.7	187.6	191.5	195.5
Equalization Ratio	76.5%	80.1%	95.6%	100%	103.7%	99.7%	101.6%	99.4%	94.7%	92%*
Equal Total Assess	1,635	1,576	1,484	1,421	1,374	1,337	1,330	1,345	1,428	1,482
Equal Non-Residential Assess	176	169	179	174	171	178.9	178.9	188.7	202.2	212.6
Non-Residential = Percentage of Total	10.8%	10.7%	12.1%	12.2%	12.4%	13.4%	13.5%	14.0%	14.2%	14.3%

*2014 equalization ratio will not be determined by the DRA until later in the year.

IMPACT FEES

Impact Fee studies are generally reviewed and updated every five years. The Planning Board adopted updated methodology for the Transportation Impact Fees and the School Impact Fees in late 2011, however, the Board only adopted the new fees associated with the School Impact Fee methodology and kept the Transportation Impact Fees the same. This year, it is time to begin evaluating the Public Safety Facilities Impact Fee Methodology as well as the Recreation Impact Fee Methodology.

Impact Fees are assessed when a building permit is issued and are collected when the Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Concurrently, projects expanding capacity are approved, thereby becoming qualifying projects for which impact fees might provide funding or future reimbursement. Impact fees may not be used for maintenance projects. The following tables indicate fees collected, qualifying projects, fees disbursed, and year-end fund availability.

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated December 20, 2007]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Public Safety Facility Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/07		\$0		\$0
12/31/08		\$2,931.30		\$0
12/31/09		\$11,004.32		\$0
12/31/10		\$40,318.35		\$0
12/31/11		\$46,935.43		\$0
12/31/12		\$67,453.23		\$0
06/10/13	Design for Fire Station Improvement Program at Stations 17, 18, and 19.		\$18,350	9/30/13 \$18,350
12/31/13		\$94,498.91		
12/31/14		\$107,682.82		
12/21/15		\$118,922.21		

RECREATION IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated February 13, 2003]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Recreation Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		\$2,000.79		\$0
12/31/05		\$22,708.77		\$0
12/31/06		\$60,692.79		\$0
12/31/07		\$83,310.54		\$0
12/31/08		\$94,965.03		\$0
	Barnard Park Play-ground Expansion		\$14,363.52	11/25/09 \$14,363.52
12/31/09		\$103,560.56		
	2009 Trail Bureau Grant Match		\$9,000	Dec. 2010 \$9,000
12/31/10		\$116,011.88		
	Design project for Barnard/Pare land		\$8,000	Dec. 2011 \$8,000
12/31/11		\$117,883.46		
3/12/12	Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$19,535.80	3/26/12 \$19,535.80
7/23/12	Remainder of Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$59,536.20	7/24/12 \$59,536.20
12/31/12		\$64,143.90		
12/31/13		\$87,911.36		
12/31/14		\$102,469.85		
12/31/15		\$106,361.50		

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Road Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		\$26,842.84		\$0
	2005 Road Reclamation		\$17,429.66	
12/31/05		\$9,413.18		\$17,429.66
12/31/06		\$24,571.07		\$0
12/31/07		\$38,467.12		\$0
	Rosemont Drainage	\$47,604.99		
12/31/08			\$52,800	\$0
	Henry Bridge Road and Mountain Road Bridges		\$605,001	
	Snook Road Reclaim		\$160,779.26	
	Paige Hill Road Reclaim		\$138,300	
	Merrill Road Reclaim		\$132,442.20	
12/31/09		\$22,339.24		\$44,000
12/31/10		\$47,036.87		
12/31/11		\$53,382.17		
12/31/12		\$72,724.63		
12/10/13	CMAQ Grant Project – Elm/High/Main & Pleasant/Main St		\$62,448	12/10/13 \$62,448
12/31/13		\$44,048.21		
12/31/14		\$54,771.17		
12/31/15	Transportation Enhancement Grant Project	\$8,965.68		11/23/15 \$55,000

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/01		\$22,979.19		\$0
12/31/02		\$128,533.42		\$0
12/31/03		\$456,024.45		\$0
12/31/04		\$620,785.35		\$0
	Expand parking and fields at High School		\$186,390	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from impact fees.		\$436,769	
12/31/05		\$213,655.47		\$623,159
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from new taxes.		\$256,202	

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from unreserved fund balance.		\$400,000	
12/31/06		\$367,101.20		\$0
	Kindergarten: additional funding authorized by 2006 school meeting to come from impact fees.		\$306,510	
12/31/07		\$473,054.17		\$0
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from impact fees		\$216,000	
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from reserve fund		\$384,000	
12/31/08		\$151,197.20		\$376,000
12/31/09		\$263,014.09		\$0
	Architectural and Engineering Study of the School District's Elementary facilities – Authorized by 2010 vote to have \$215,000 come from impact fees		\$215,000	10/26/10 \$215,000
12/31/10		\$162,900.28		
	Additional funds for Architectural and Engineering Study of the School District's Elementary facilities for Bartlett and Maple Avenue Schools		\$162,900	4/20/11 \$162,900
12/31/11		\$39,207.73		
12/31/12		164,311.14		
12/31/13		\$360,220.98		
12/31/14		\$454,867.91		
12/31/15	Bartlett Elementary School Portable Classrooms	\$248,307.43		\$291,100

Respectively submitted,

Patricia A. Gale
Planning and Zoning Assistant

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

This year the Town completed three economic development initiatives: 1) completion of the Economic Development Self Assessment Tool (EDSAT), results of which will be presented to the Economic Development Council and Board of Selectmen in early 2016; 2) continued promotion that led to the adoption of the certified sites regulations by the Goffstown Planning Board in November; and 3) installation of a “Welcome to Goffstown” sign on NH Route 114 at the Bedford town line.

During the year staff also participated in bi-monthly Technical Review Committee meetings to review proposed and potential development in Town. Time continues to be spent collaborating with the Main Street Program, Southern NH Planning Commission, Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Hillsborough County, and NH Division of Economic Development to promote economic growth in Goffstown. In 2016 staff will work to redesign the Town’s homepage to highlight the Town’s economic development efforts and improve user satisfaction through new responsive design software that will be compatible across multiple platforms.

Respectfully submitted,
Derek Horne, Economic Development Coordinator

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

The Town’s IT Office manages computer hardware, software, database and information systems including the Town’s Geographic Information System (GIS), networks, telecommunications, and the Town web page. We provide service for Administration, Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Departments, and assist the Town Library as well.

Over the last couple years we have begun to transition from server based programs to web based applications in the departments. Fire, Public Works, Town Hall and the Library are all using them, and more applications are being evaluated. These innovations allow for greater productivity and potential, but do create problems as well. This evolution in business process has generated a much greater need for Internet bandwidth and connectivity, including mobile access, mobile devices, and information security.

Looking to 2016, we hope to begin a transition to fiber network access between our facilities and increased Internet bandwidth. This will allow us to combine our separate networks into a centrally managed, standardized infrastructure. We will be investigating credit card payment options, web based applications for Geographic Information System (GIS) oriented Public Works asset management, Parks and Recreation management, and a citizen self-service portal for easier access to assessing and sewer billing information.

The IT Office also oversees the Goffstown Cable TV station. Coordinator Adam McCune continues to innovate and improve the quality of the Goffstown TV product. Meetings are streamed live on the internet as well as broadcast live on TV, and many school events are broadcast live as well. The productions are available to watch anytime on VIMEO and YouTube. Look to the Goffstown TV Report for further details.

Respectfully submitted,
IT Director Neil Funcke

GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015

RSA 165 requires Municipalities throughout the state to lend financial assistance and support to any person(s) who are unable to support themselves. Eligibility is based on guidelines established, reviewed, and adjusted by the Selectmen on an annual basis and any assistance granted is paid directly through a voucher system.

Our regional economy has shown some improvement during 2015, but there is still a segment of our community who experience financial hardship. Unemployment, under-employment and support issues are the largest contributing factors in requests for assistance. As funding from State and Federal agencies continues to shrink and stricter eligibility guidelines become the reality, the burden continues to be on Goffstown’s taxpayers. Despite the decrease in gas and fuel oil costs, housing and other utility expenses continue to rise, affecting the number of applications and grants of General Assistance.

The Welfare Officer facilitated payment arrangements with utility providers and interfaced with other agencies on behalf of many residents who otherwise did not qualify for Town assistance. Referrals were made to the local Community Action Program at So. NH Services for fuel and electric assistance, and to other federal, state and local agencies. The largest need for general assistance continues in the category of housing; emergency housing is provided in hotels because of the critical lack of shelter space within New Hampshire. We received fewer completed applications in 2015; 21 recipient households received General Assistance in 2015, 13 of those received housing assistance for an average of 2 months each.

2015 Financial Assistance Categories:

Housing.....	\$19,818.44	Heat&UtilitiesExpenses.....	\$1,981.60
Transportation.....	\$714.19	Food/HouseholdNecessities.....	\$249.22
Cremations.....	\$1,000.00		
TOTAL			<u>\$23,763.43</u>

Recipient Assistance Statistical Data	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
# of Contacts	159	254	136
# of Applicants	59	46	72
# of Applicants Eligible	38	36	21
Financial Assistance Granted	\$38,811	\$37,317	\$23,763

The Town is grateful for the continued support of the local church and civic organizations, which generously assist whenever possible. We are fortunate to have the following organizations assist community residents in need: Goffstown Network, Community Clothing Center, Goffstown Clergy Association, Lions Club, St. Matthew’s Outreach Program, Goffstown Congregational Church, International Order of Odd Fellows, and Greater Bedford Womanade. Their generosity helped to stretch the annual budget of the Town’s General Assistance Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Redmond, Welfare Officer

GOFFSTOWN TV REPORT

2015 was a year of phenomenal growth for Goffstown TV.

We saw a 17% increase in public shows produced in our studio. Including all shows that aired on channel 16, we had 445 different videos. The government channel, channel 22 for Comcast subscribers in town, also saw a spike in meeting coverage - up 17% to 220 meetings. This accounted for 5000 replays and more than 2000 views of meetings on our On Demand page, hosted on Vimeo.

2015 also became a year for “viral” content at GTV. We partnered with the school district to create a new YouTube page dedicated to the district, including many videos that we have a hand in producing. One of our first joint videos, featuring a special education student graduating from the program, became a national hit. Students at GHS lined the halls and he was sent off in a parade of cheers. A teacher captured this moment on one of our cameras, and we edited and posted it on YouTube. The video was picked up locally, and eventually ended up in the national spotlight on ABC News. We gathered more than 29,000 views on that single video in less than a week.

Likewise, we saw viral content on our own Facebook and YouTube pages. Using our studio and Facebook page as a launching point for a public service announcement pertaining to the 911 issue for residents of Pinardville, we partnered with the police and fire chiefs in producing the 911 + Pinardville = Say “Goffstown” video, which saw more than 5000 views in its first 48 hours. This video, along with subsequent coverage on several news outlets has giving the town a tool to help deal with this important issue for our residents.

Other content, such as our video of the Firefighter’s Challenge at Mountain View Middle School (3,500 views) and highlights of football games (several videos receiving 1,000-4,000 views each) gave our Facebook page a healthy presence. In fact, the GTV Facebook page now boasts 623 “likes”, an increase of 114% over a year ago. Some weeks our “reach”, a statistic Facebook uses to track how many people see your page’s content, topped 50,000 people. All of this online content represents a gradual shift in focus, as we expand our efforts to provide access to the places residents in town are congregating online. The future of content distribution is definitely on the internet, and we are increasing our efforts to provide this as a service in addition to traditional avenues.

GTV followed several athletic teams at the high school this season. 18 volunteers provided coverage of 7 different sports. The most successful of these was the varsity football team. Our volunteers covered all the football games this season, including their championship run. Three times this year, we were able to partner with our friends at other access centers (Nashua and Manchester) to provide live coverage of away games - something that hardly seemed possible even a season ago. This partnership only looks to expand in the future. GTV provided live coverage of three football games on YouTube this season as well. The first game, a homecoming matchup against Bedford, was a rousing success. In total, more than 700 people watched the game live on YouTube, and an immeasurable number at home on Channel 16. Live, multi camera coverage, complete with graphics and our fantastic commentators, including Alan Potvin, gave viewers a professional production they are now coming to expect with GTV.

In the midst of all this, we performed a studio update. We completely reworking our lighting grid and painted the entire room (a first since the studio opened more than 20 years ago). This, combined with subtle changes in our workflow, gives our studio a better overall product. Pieces filmed in the studio are now crisper and cleaner, while the environment enhances patron productivity. We continue to give residents a voice, while providing information on what's happening in their town.

Please check out these links:

<https://www.facebook.com/goffstowntv> - GTV Facebook Page

<http://vimeo.com/goffstowntelevision> - recorded meetings to watch or download

www.youtube.com/user/GoffstownTelevision - GTV produced shows

<http://Gtvlive.goffstown.com> - live TH Meetings

Respectfully submitted,

Adam McCune, Goffstown TV Coordinator

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

As your Town Clerk, I find it challenging, during mid-February, to recall 2015 and be documenting activities and relevant information that occurred in the previous year. I say this because one of the most important requirements of my job is to be able to accept constant changes and put previous practices in the past and focus on the next year's laws and procedural changes.

Since I'm discussing living in the present and writing about the past, I'd like to acknowledge recent staffing changes that have occurred in the Town Clerk's Office. Best wishes, happy retirement and many thanks to Tax Collector Gail Lavallee, who has cheerfully provided clerical support in our office during days experiencing peak customer flow. Congratulations to Stephanie Beaudoin, from our office, who was promoted on February 1st, to Tax Collector. I'd also like to welcome Donna Contildes, previous Goffstown Police Dept. Records Clerk, as our new staff member in training. Rest assured that the familiar smiling face of Karen LeClerc, Deputy Town Clerk, will still be behind the counter to capably process your transactions and offer support to Donna as she acclimates to the myriad of Town Clerk Office job tasks.

Motor vehicle fraud prevention continues to be a focus of NH Town Clerks and their staff processing motor vehicle related requests within each community. In Goffstown, staff registered approximately 21,000 motor vehicles during 2015 in addition to titling vehicles and issuing license plates. All residents registering newly purchased vehicles must now show valid picture identification. Documenting the owner's identity offers written proof that they are the individual authorized to register a vehicle described in the paperwork provided. Written permission must now be provided between owners that jointly register a vehicle to allow the secondary owner to take control of the plate from the primary registrant. We were advised to no longer allow staff to act as intermediaries signing title applications in the absence of the owner. We now require all Power of Attorney transactions be signed by an individual representing the owner's interest. On a daily basis, we suggest to residents that they scrape off their previous annual decal down to the bare plate, before applying the next year's decal, to prevent theft from stacked decals. We appreciate your cooperation as we work together to drive down fraud in NH.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your Goffstown Town Clerk. As always, my goal is to ensure that your interaction with our office is pleasant and efficient. I welcome your input and ideas.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Ball, Town Clerk

2015 TOWN CLERK TRANSACTIONS

ACCOUNT	2012	2013	2014	2015
Motor Vehicle Permits:	\$2,354,542	\$2,530,111	\$2,679,985	\$2,838,256
Boat Fees	\$7,470	\$6,633	\$6,807	\$7,363
Dog Licenses & Fees	\$16,305	\$18,985	\$17,363	\$18,264
Licenses, Permits & Misc. Fees	\$6,171	\$6,095	\$5,958	\$5,465
Vital Record Fees	\$3,595	\$5,204	\$6,890	\$6,901
TOTALS:	\$2,388,083	\$2,567,028	\$2,717,003	\$2,876,249

VITAL STATISTICS 2015 BIRTHS

BIRTH DATE	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER'S/ PARTNER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME	BIRTH PLACE
Jan.				
26	Adams, Pierce Philip	Adams, Ryan	Adams, Jillian	Manchester, NH
Feb.				
23	Luby, Finleigh Jaye	Luby, Joshua	Carey, Erika	Manchester, NH
Mar.				
6	Ely, Matthew Charles	Ely, Eric	Ely, Holly	Manchester, NH
6	Percoski, Willow Grace	Percoski, Philip	Percoski, Lindsay	Manchester, NH
6	Lynch, Sawyer Thomas	Lynch, Sean	Lynch, Megan	Concord, NH
13	Bird, Dylan Iris	Bird, Brandon	Bird, Trina	Nashua, NH
16	Anderson, David Clayton	Anderson, Frank	Anderson, Margaret	Manchester, NH
17	Martin, Fynne William	Martin II, Raymond	Harris, Jaimie	Manchester, NH
18	Curtis, Noah Jon	Curtis Jr., David	Curtis, Kristie	Manchester, NH
27	Garon, Reid Andrew	Garon, Jonathan	Garon, Olivia	Manchester, NH
31	Lewis, Dawson Joshua	Lewis, Fredrick	Lewis, Brandi	Nashua, NH
Apr.				
2	Reynolds, Jameson Daniel	Reynolds, Daniel	Zajicek, Kristin	Manchester, NH
7	Beaudet, Henry Jean	Beaudet, Jason	Beaudet, Jennifer	Manchester, NH
10	Cooper, Kellan David	Cooper, Aaron	Cooper, Danielle	Manchester, NH
11	Lacasse, Elizabeth Jean	Lacasse, Mark	Lacasse, Amanda	Manchester, NH
24	Mathews, Owen James	Mathews, Derrick	Mathews, Jamie	Concord, NH
May				
30	Nault, Wesley Blaine	Nault, Wade	Nault, Kayla	Manchester, NH
Jun.				
2	Ainsworth, Eli Thomas	Ainsworth, Robert	Ainsworth, Jennifer	Nashua, NH
2	Ainslie, William Robert	Ainslie Sr., Marcus	Ainslie, Brittany	Manchester, NH
2	McCassin, Liam John	McCassin, Jeffrey	McCassin, Julie	Manchester, NH
3	Chevalier, Cecelia Marie Verkuilen	Chevalier, Keith	Verkuilen-Chevalier, Gwen	Manchester, NH
4	Yianakopolos, Vinny Matarazzo	Yianakopolos, Wendy	Matarazzo, Brenna	Manchester, NH
6	Campbell, Abigail Marie	Campbell, Nathan	Campbell, Kathy	Manchester, NH
9	Meagher, Callie Hayden	Meagher, Brian	Jacklin, Kerry	Manchester, NH
12	Ackerson, Bennett Michael	Ackerson, Jonathan	Montour, Melissa	Manchester, NH
Jul.				
1	Ramos, Aiden Yariel	Ramos Monroig, Angel	Ramos, Yaritza	Manchester, NH
2	Young, Henry Forest	Young, Stephen	Ward, Cayce	Manchester, NH
17	Sowa, Maya Louise	Sowa, Timothy	Mack, Allison	Manchester, NH
23	Leroy, Brianna Mary	Leroy, Joseph	Leroy, Katie	Manchester, NH
28	Rush, Mabel Dorothy	Rush, Brandon	Rush, Stephanie	Manchester, NH

BIRTH DATE	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER'S/ PARTNER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME	BIRTH PLACE
Aug.				
3	Weilbrenner, Georgia Kennedy	Weilbrenner, Zachary	Weilbrenner, Meghan	Manchester, NH
5	Goldsmith, Lily Ellen	Goldsmith, Jason	Goldsmith, Megan	Peterborough, NH
8	Parrish, Kayleigh Wanda June	Parrish, Jeffrey	Parrish, Amy	Manchester, NH
21	Hubbard, Micah John	Hubbard, Kyle	Hubbard, Elizabeth	Manchester, NH
27	Houle, Scarlett Rose	Houle Jr., Daniel	Houle, Kimberly	Manchester, NH
27	Rose, Jared Tyler	Rose, Brian	Rose, Charity	Manchester, NH
Sep.				
4	Poliquin, Alec Joseph	Poliquin, Charles	Poliquin, Rhiannon	Manchester, NH
18	Nickerson, Brynn Savannah	Nickerson, Eric	Nickerson, Jennifer	Concord, NH
20	Cook, Kelsie Ann	Cook, James	Cook, Sarah	Manchester, NH
22	Lantiegne, Isabelle Anne	Lantiegne, Taylor	Lantiegne, Melissa	Concord, NH
25	Buckley, Autumn Mary	Buckley, Sean	Buckley, Jessica	Manchester, NH
Oct.				
9	Burke, Connor Willam	Burke, Andrew	Burke, Adriane	Manchester, NH
27	Paul, Carson Mitchell	Paul, Jordan	Bailey, Kristen	Manchester, NH
Nov.				
3	Edwards, Aubree Rose	Edwards, Timothy	Edwards, Michelle	Manchester, NH
7	Starr, Ian Elijah Joseph		Parent, Jackie	Manchester, NH
10	Lundberg, Edvin Adino	Lundberg, Bruce	Lundberg, Marianna	Manchester, NH
13	Sullivan, Irelynn Fiona-Marie	Sullivan, Shawn	Sullivan, Ashley	Nashua, NH
22	Geisler, Logan Joseph	Geisler, Chad	Geisler, Erika	Manchester, NH
22	Juliano, Katanah-Lynn	Juliano Kenton	Thurston, Samarah	Manchester, NH
23	Rubner, Rosalie Grace	Rubner, Brian	Rubner, Brooke	Manchester, NH
Dec.				
18	Stevens, Mia Isabelle	Stevens, Mark	Stevens, Adrienne	Manchester, NH
Total Number of Births: 51				

2015 MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	RESIDENCE	NAME	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Jan.					
10	Venturini, Joseph M.	Goffstown, NH	Heaphy, Johannah I.	Goffstown, NH	Portsmouth
24	Devriendt, Jesse A.	Goffstown, NH	Ramsay, Kaitlyn E.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
Feb.					
Mar.					
7	Smith, Thomas R.	Chanhasen, MN	Thibault, Lisa J.	Goffstown, NH	Tilton
21	McInnis, Matthew J.	Goffstown, NH	Lindahl, Kathryn E.	Goffstown, NH	Freedom
Apr.					
11	Olds, Brent C.	Goffstown, NH	Blake, Bonny M.	Goffstown, NH	Pembroke
18	Burnham, Jonathan M.	Goffstown, NH	St. Pierre, Natasha S.	Goffstown, NH	Suncook
23	Goodwin, Shawn L.	Goffstown, NH	Chandonnais, Karianne L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
May					
5	Bennette, Xavier A.	Goffstown, NH	Johnson, Lindsey-Raye D.	Goffstown, NH	Hampton
6	Morrisette, Aaron G.	Goffstown, NH	James, Andrea A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
9	Neville, Andrew J.	Goffstown, NH	Halle, Andrea L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
10	Sanderson, Christian D.	Goffstown, NH	Sweet, Sheryl A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
16	Laurion, Andre D.	Goffstown, NH	Paquin, Ronald G.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
23	Larochelle Jr., Robert O.	Goffstown, NH	Hellinger, Kristin M.	Goffstown, NH	Milford
24	Weeks, Anthony E.	Goffstown, NH	Sherer, Heather A.	Goffstown, NH	Pelham
Jun.					
6	Pichette, Nicholas J.	Goffstown, NH	Chaput, Asheley M.	Goffstown, NH	Rindge
6	Hunt, Patrick R.	Goffstown, NH	Powers, Laura E.	Goffstown, NH	Sanbornton
17	Janas, Nicholas A.	Goffstown, NH	Richer, Courtney A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
21	Bushey, Nicholas R.	Goffstown, NH	Prenoveau, Tia G.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
28	Edwards, Lance L.	Goffstown, NH	Ramshaw, Kathleen H.	Goffstown, NH	Concord
Jul.					
4	Gelinas, Alan A.	Goffstown, NH	Cate, Ann M.	Goffstown, NH	Pittsburg
11	Kaulbach, Michael G.	Goffstown, NH	Silva, Amanda C.	Goffstown, NH	Pittsburg
19	Carignan, Deserae J.	Goffstown, NH	Duhaime, Christopher D.	Merrimack, NH	Goffstown
24	Allen, Debra J.	Goffstown, NH	Allen, Nancy L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
Aug.					
1	Brunelle, Christopher A.	Goffstown, NH	Sullivan, Pamela L.	Goffstown, NH	Hampton Falls
2	Becker III, Ludwig W.	Goffstown, NH	Riley, Sara M.	Goffstown, NH	Merrimack
4	Mount II, Michael L.	Goffstown, NH	Hamill, Jennifer-Lynn M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
8	Coulombe, Edward V.	Goffstown, NH	Buber, Lisa K.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
21	Paradis, Benjamin R.	Goffstown, NH	Chase, Heather A.	Goffstown, NH	Hollis
22	Mensh, Kevin W.	Goffstown, NH	Carty, Jessica R.	Goffstown, NH	Washington
22	Robins, Zachary R.	Goffstown, NH	Chandronnait, Amber B.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
28	Paradis, Diane M.	Goffstown, NH	Raynor, Paul A.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford

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Sep.					
5	Trudeau, Ronald H.	Goffstown, NH	Wilkerson, Debbie R.	Fruit Land Park, FL	Bath
5	Luksza Jr., Joseph J.	Goffstown, NH	Zorzowicz, Samantha J.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
6	Pike, Michael P.	Goffstown, NH	Warren, Jennifer W.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
14	Rodriguez, Arnaldo	Goffstown, NH	Ainsworth, Stephanie M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
26	Pushee, Adam J.	Goffstown, NH	Smith, Melissa A.	Goffstown, NH	Hooksett
Oct.					
3	Bathey, Michael S.	Goffstown, NH	Borrer, Jacqueline C.	Goffstown, NH	Pittsfield
10	Montoya, Zacharia I.	Goffstown, NH	Minehart, Carrie A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown Moultonborough
10	Hahnke II, Robert L.	Goffstown, NH	Blackadar, Mary E.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
10	Lunderville, Ryan J.	Goffstown, NH	McAndrew, Kayla A.	Goffstown, NH	Bow
11	Chandronnait, Alan B.	Bow, NH	Crockett, Susan E.	Goffstown, NH	Merrimack
31	Dean, James M.	Goffstown, NH	Cowley, Caitlin M.	Goffstown, NH	
Nov.					
7	Kilrain Sr., Michael P.	Goffstown, NH	Dickson, Patricia J.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
8	Frye, Thomas F.	Goffstown, NH	Vandenbergh, Deena I.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
22	Yao, Matthew P.	Goffstown, NH	Fredette, Rebecca I.	Goffstown, NH	Albany
28	Waryasz, Chester E.	Goffstown, NH	Ruopp, Peggy A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown

Total Number of Marriages: 46

2015 DEATHS

DECEDENT'S DATE NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Jan.			
1 Hebert, Donald	Goffstown	Hebert, Lucien	Emery, Beatrice
9 Ricker, Earnest	Goffstown	Ricker, Harry	Chatel, Mary
10 Duggins, Lloyd	Goffstown	Duggins, Benjamin	Killian, Lyda
11 Pinard, Emile	Manchester	Pinard, Hercules	Champagne, Victoria
14 Bullard, Donald	Goffstown	Bullard, Stuart	Foote, Dorothy
15 Chesnulevich, Annette	Goffstown	Lambert, George	Mailhot, Eva
15 Erskine, Jeannette	Goffstown	Vincent, George	Therrien, Leda
16 Julian, Elaine	Goffstown	Trombley, Robert	Gravelin, Delia
16 Gentes, Dorothy	Manchester	Harris, William	Sjoberg, Matilda
16 Lambert, George	Goffstown	Lambert, Robert	Soucy, Lorriane
17 Pare, Mildred	Manchester	Veilleux, Simeon	Grondin, Georgianna
19 Koop, Andrew	Goffstown	Koop, Henry	Heitman, Anna
20 Sharpe, Louis	Goffstown	Sharpe, Grant	Sheldahl, Floy
21 Thibeault Sr., Victor	Merrimack	Thibeault, Phillip	Barry, Eva
30 Dunn, Carolyn	Goffstown	Huey, Louis	Stein, Mildred
Feb.			
2 Chapman, Raymond	Goffstown	Chapman, Raymond	West, Oda
4 Bartashevich, Robert	Manchester	Bartashevich, Wilfred	Bigel, Mary
7 Raab, Chad	Manchester	Raab, George	Trigger, Anita
8 Pragosa, John	Manchester	Pragosa, Joaquim	Dacosta, Maria
9 Altemus, Dianne	Goffstown	Altemus, Eugene	Blair, Gertrude
10 Boucher, Jeanne	Manchester	Roussel, Alphonse	Plourde, Anna
10 Gordon Sr., Robert	Goffstown	Gordon, Perley	Leclair, Mabel
17 Barry, Jane	Goffstown	Coates Sr., Roy	Ford, Mary
17 Gonthier, Therese	Manchester	Cartier, Joseph	St. Hilaire, Anna
19 Follansbee, Eva	Goffstown	Bryant, John	Thoms, Grace
25 Dubois, Michael	Merrimack	Dubois, Arthur	Lussier, Joanna
Mar.			
1 Georgantas, Socrates	Goffstown	Georgantas, Thomas	Tzikirozopoulos, Helen
10 Belanger, Melvina	Goffstown	Kilmas, Joseph	Zabriska, Mary
15 Dodge, Robert	Goffstown	Dodge, Eliot	Prutting, Jeanette
16 Korbey, Rose Marie	Goffstown	Korbey, Azar	Maloof, Delia
20 Untiet, Jeannine	Manchester	Gardner, J	Larochelle, Laura
21 Audet, Eileen	Goffstown	Grandmaison, Joseph	Allard, Autoinette
28 Hemingstam, Kathryn	Goffstown	Curtis, Dwain	Silver, Joy
Apr.			
1 Karanikas, John	Manchester	Karanikas, Stephanos	Olgas, Vaia
1 Lowe, David	Goffstown	Lowe, Glenn	Shaw, Gladys
7 Ricker, Eleanor	Manchester	Story, Charles	Brown, Mrytle
13 Devries, Henry	Goffstown	Devries, Hugh	Jenkins, Cynthia

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Apr.			
15 Lafortune, Virginia	Manchester	Shaw, Albert	Davis, Edna
16 Moreau, Doris	Manchester	Veilleux, Simeon	Grondin, Georgianna
17 Seager, John	Merrimack	Seager, Eugene	Bortwell, Amy
18 Eaton, Linda	Goffstown	George, Robert	Starbard, Madeline
23 Morrissey, Sally	Bow	Brown, Needham	Grimsey, Elizabeth
May			
2 Brown, Richard	Manchester	Brown, Franklin	Meader, Ruth
4 Merrill, Esther	Manchester	Merrill, Archibald	Gauthier, Ada
13 Martin, Garvin	Bedford	Martin, Francis	Kelley, Frances
20 Dery, Simonne	Goffstown	Delauneay, Eugene	Labaron, Marie
22 Diggins Jr., John	Goffstown	Diggins Sr., John	Caron, Sylvia
22 Benthien, Randall	Goffstown	Benthien, Howard	Gosseck, Muriel
Jun.			
3 Vout, Albert	Goffstown	Vout, Albert	Griffith, Susan
3 Philippy, Gordon	Manchester	Philippy, Latzi	Korath, Mary
3 Badasarian, Victor	Goffstown	Baghdalasian, M	Hamtan, Lusian
4 Mullen, Elva	Goffstown	Taylor, Edison	Dodge, Bernice
4 Lumino, Jean	Manchester	O'Connell, Francis	Ross, Carolyn
4 Connor, Betty	Bedford	Martin, Arthur	Davis, Lois
4 St. Onge, Therese	Manchester	Vallee, Hypolite	Gagnon, Lydia
5 MacIntosh, Robert	Goffstown	MacIntosh, John	Unknown, Florence
8 Poirier, Marie	Goffstown	Poirier, Samuel	Messier, Alice
11 Morin, Armand	Goffstown	Morin, Alphonse	Camire, Leda
11 Morrison Jr., Roderick	Goffstown	Morrison Sr., Roderick	Smith, Marjorie
16 Paquette, Richard	Goffstown	Paquette, Francis	Ladacer, Emma
17 Britton Jr., Roy	Goffstown	Britton, Roy	Zavarella, Emma
18 Bettencourt, Elinor	Goffstown	Jewett, Arthur	McCann, Margaret
20 Hubbell, Charlotte	Goffstown	Hubbell, Charles	Hill, Eleanor
21 Janigan, John	Goffstown	Janigan, Roupén	Malemezian, Mary
23 Bourque, Bertha	Goffstown	Larochelle, Romeo	Talbot, Eugénie
26 Feeley, Stephen	Goffstown	Feeley, Michael	Rumas, Pamela
26 Atkins, Luke	Manchester	Atkins, Richard	Hebert, Lucille
Jun.			
26 Moquin, Diana	Goffstown	Lones, Harry	Dobbins, Ruth
27 Godbois, Constance	Goffstown	Vanasse, Normand	Chapdelaine, Yvonne
27 Currier, Donna	Merrimack	Merrill, Robert	Furbish, Katherine
Jul.			
12 Roarick, Carol	Goffstown	Michuda, Frank	Bobko, Helen
15 Milton, Alden	Goffstown	Milton, Frank	Bishop, Alberta
20 Palys, Walter	Manchester	Palys, Walter	Dabrowski, Nellie
20 Alles, Cecilia	Manchester	Schonberg, Quentin	Weldon, Veronica
22 Plumer, Catherine	Bedford	Schunemann, Francis	Cody, Margaret

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Aug.			
10 Bagnall, Donna	Manchester	Martel, Andrew	Potoczny, Sophie
10 Gagnon, Hectorine	Manchester	Robichaud, Hector	Despres, Fideles
14 Edwards, Herbert	Goffstown	Edwards, Herbert	Kirby, Charlotte
15 Julian, Philip	Goffstown	Julian, George	Leone, Ida
17 Poulin, Evelyn	Manchester	Smith Jr., Leslie	Blanchette, Rita
18 Buxton, Joan	Goffstown	Melano, Joseph	Bagalio, Flora
22 Lewis, Patreece	Merrimack	Lewis, Harold	Spofford, Marjorie
23 Sauve Sr., Leo	Manchester	Sauve, Phillip	Gagnon, Marchelle
Sep.			
1 Pouliot, Barbara	Goffstown	Shaw, Daniel	Hynes, Mary
6 Roy, Ronald	Manchester	Roy, Rudolph	Grenier, Elizabeth
8 Garon, Violette	Goffstown	Bourque, Alcide	Lipska, Gladys
17 Landry, Susan	Goffstown	Dubois, Albert	Pinsonneault, Monica
19 Luby, Joshua	Manchester	Luby II, James	Farrar, Linda
28 Vincent, Alice	Goffstown	Vincent, Robert	Nutting, Alice
Oct.			
11 Therrien, Philip	Goffstown	Therrien, Roland	Hudon, Jacqueline
14 Martel, Real	Milford	Martel, Joseph	Lambert, Albina
19 Edwards Jr., Harry	Goffstown	Edwards Sr., Harry	Wagner, Lillian
19 Upton, Gillis	Manchester	Emmons, Gillis	Yoder, Fannie
23 St. Cyr, Jennifer	Manchester	Welch, Carl	Gillander, Linda
24 Brancone, Paul	Manchester	Unknown, Unknown	Brancone, Maria
25 Ketchum, John	Goffstown	Ketchum, Roland	Cryer, Gertrude
26 Gorman, Benjamin	Manchester	Gorman, Mark	Brennan, Monica
29 Azotea, Judith	Concord	Upham, George	Riley, Mary
31 Ouellette, Richard	Goffstown	Ouellette, Lucien	Therriault, Elizabeth
Nov.			
1 Rinaldi, Mildred	Manchester	Ridel, Joseph	Unknown, Anne
1 Kay, Olga	Goffstown	Ginalski, John	Piekos, Jozefa
2 Doiron, David	Manchester	Doiron, Paul	Hatch, Alice
4 Medeiros, Emma	Merrimack	Walsh, William	Carroll, Anne
5 Schulte, Naomi	Rochester	Siesel, Charles	Wilson, Elizabeth
5 MacPhee, William	Manchester	MacPhee, Vernon	Winton, Lily
6 Myers, Virginia	Goffstown	Myers, William	Coates, Flora
9 Mitchell Jr., Dexter	Goffstown	Mitchell, Dexter	Moineau, Elaine
9 Olivier, Arilda	Goffstown	Bienvenue, Fredrick	Perrault, Rose
13 Lalos, Georgia	Goffstown	Scomis, Vasilios	Scomis, Panagiota
14 Loiselle, Nathalie	Manchester	Allen, Harry	Hackett, Eda
Dec.			
1 Kennedy, Joan	Goffstown	Rex, Herbert	Hollyman, Eliza
10 Currier, Nancy	Goffstown	Tevepough, Leonard	Chopelas, Helen
10 McDonald, Natalie	Manchester	Leafe, Frederick	Roberts, Wilma

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Dec.			
11 Vander Horst, Russell	Merrimack	Vander Horst, Russell	Hardy, Shirley
11 Leonard, Albert	Merrimack	Leonard Sr., Lawrence	Bassett, Blanch
14 Defreitas, Susan	Concord	Stache, Clarence	Weigler, Isabelle
20 Grenier, Sylvia	Goffstown	Marshall, Robert	Heald, Blanche
27 Goulet, Roger	Manchester	Goulet, Joseph	Gagnon, Lucienne
27 Mcentee, Rosemary	Goffstown	Mcentee, John	Flanagan, Bridget
28 Stogniew, Murielle	Goffstown	Bergeron, Thomas	Lajoie, Augustine
28 Mulvaney, Darrell	Manchester	Mulvaney, Ralph	Miselbrook, Wanda
29 Fournier, Laurier	Manchester	Fournier, Lionel	Duchesneau, Lucienne

Total Number of Deaths: 122

2015 INTERMENTS

WESTLAWN CEMETERY

Name	Age	Date of Death	Burial Date	Section	Lot	Grave
Barbara Robinson	85	1/11/2015	5/9/2015	45	7	2
Gillis Lee Upton	65	10/19/2015	10/23/2015	35	1	3

SHIRLEY HILL CEMETERY

Name	Age	Date of Death	Burial Date	Section	Lot	Grave
Cecilia Alles	55	7/20/2015	7/25/2015	216B		1
Matthew Bowlin		11/7/2014	5/29/2015	222C		1
Paul Brancone	67	10/24/2015	10/30/2015	214C		1
James Clegg	75	1/2/2015	7/13/2015	21	5	
Jane Donohue	69	6/13/2015	6/19/2015	1	58	1
Virginia Durost	86	12/27/2014	7/17/2015	3	12	1
Benjamin Gorman	42	10/26/2015	11/2/2015	19B		1
John B. Janigan	96	6/21/2015	7/9/2015	1	91	1
Joseph L. Pare	52	7/31/2015	8/5/2015	4	1	1
Judith L. St. Onge		1/1/2015	5/8/2015	3	11	2
Ruth Stratton		7/31/2015	8/7/2015	218B		1
Robert J. Therriault	79	7/4/2015	7/9/2015	2	7	1

WESTLAWN CEMETERY

Name	Age	Date of Death	Burial Date	Section	Lot	Grave
Richard E. Brown		5/2/2015	5/11/2015	1991	18	
James S. Cobban		6/1/2015	10/9/2015	1916	65	5
Betty E. Connor	90	6/4/2015	11/17/2015	1992	181	2
Lawton B. Connor	91	11/5/2015	11/17/2015	1992	181	2
Lloyd Cushing Jr.	76	8/22/2015	10/9/2015	21	5	4
Clayton A. Daniels	64	12/16/2014	6/12/2015	1960	4	1
Stephen J. Feeley	23	6/26/2015	7/1/2015	198833B		1
Linda M. Hecker	68	9/24/2015	10/2/2015	1987	5	1
Henry Y. Hunter Jr.	96	2/16/2015	5/8/2015	1989	64	1
John S. Karanikas	90	4/1/2015	4/6/2015	1994203B		1
Louise H. Lovell	101	3/26/2013	8/11/2015	1904	44	
Real L. Martel	93	10/14/2015	11/6/2015	1960	111	3
Linda Messier	56	10/24/2015	11/2/2015	1927	59	4
John J. Mcalary	82	7/30/2015	8/4/2015	1988	6	1
Phyllis L. McKernan		11/26/2014	8/21/2015	1960	133	1
Richard McNeil	36	10/20/2013	7/10/2015	1960	45	1
Sally B. Morrissey	87	4/23/2015	5/29/2015	1904	72	4
Albert Packard	71	12/24/2014	11/11/2015	1988	23	1
Beatrice L. Patten		8/8/2015	8/17/2015	276A		
Eleanor S. Ricker	96	4/7/2015	4/10/2015	6	3	4
Ernest A. Ricker	88	1/9/2015	4/10/2015	6	3	3
Leo G. Sauve	63	8/23/2015	8/28/2015	1992	155	1
Mary Shea	90	6/10/2015	6/13/2015	1989	77	2
Wilbur C. Tillett	91	3/5/2015	9/1/2015	1927	32	5
Samuel D. Yeaton	84	5/5/2015	10/24/2015	1960	127	3

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Goffstown Fire Department continues to stand ready at all times to serve the Town's residents, business owners and visitors. The Department provides fire protection, emergency medical services, rescue, hazardous material mitigation, disaster response, community services (from providing support to Town events to issuing burn permits), and fire prevention / public education and inspections. We are a Combination-type Fire Department made up of Full-time and paid On-Call Fire / EMS Personnel. In 2015, we employed 16 Full-time members (also 1 Department Executive Secretary) and 46 On-Call and/or Part-time Members providing services 24-hours / day. 2015 was another busy year where crews were kept active handling resource-intensive calls like medical emergencies, building fires and hazardous materials spill calls. Our community can be proud of the level of professionalism and high-level commitment from their first responders.



Chief Richard O'Brien

PERSONNEL

The Fire Department saw significant changes in its roster in 2015. Two of our long-standing members retired – Captain Steve Tower retired after serving the FD for 30 years – Lieutenant Eric Battey retired after service the FD for 27 years! The FD hired Stephen Laroche as Deputy Fire Chief of Operations & Training. Deputy Laroche began his fire service career in Goffstown (serving as a Call Firefighter for 11 years) and served 20 years on the Manchester FD. The FD promoted John Reilly to the rank of Lieutenant and hired full-time Firefighter / AEMT Andy Morgan. Call firefighter/EMTs arrived and departed our organization. Last year, the fire department introduced 9 new Call / Part-time employees to the roster and saw 8 members on the roster leave the department. Any Town resident interested in becoming a Call firefighter/EMT please contact our administrative office at 497-3619.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

The Goffstown Fire Department provides emergency medical services and patient transportation to the Town with 3 equipped ambulances! The Fire Department provides levels of patient care ranging from EMT to Paramedic-level care. EMS in Goffstown is provided by several staffing levels. Each Day 6am – 6 pm, the ambulances are staffed by our full-time personnel. Evenings/Nights (6pm – 6am) are staffed by a part-time EMS contingent. Our On-Call Firefighter / EMTs support the daytime and evening personnel as needed. It is our goal to make sure that our residents and visitors requiring emergency medical care receive the highest level of care possible in the shortest amount of time. The Department prides itself in making sure our ambulances are outfitted with some of the most technologically advanced life-saving equipment available.

TRAINING

In addition to the thousands of EMS and firefighting training hours our personnel complete each year, over the past year the Goffstown Fire Department was one of the first fire departments in the State to train and equip our personnel to operate in a Warm-zone environment. With the

increase of active shooter and terror incidents occurring across the country, studies showed that if first responders were able to render emergency care to victims sooner – more would survive. With assistance from a NH Homeland Security Grant, the Goffstown FD now has specialized protective clothing and equipment that will allow our responders to access victims in these situations quicker. This new role for the fire department could not occur without the support and collaboration of the Goffstown Police Department. Our personnel have trained hand-in-hand to develop an effective response to violent incidents, such as an active shooter scenario. The results of this program have now become the model for the rest of the State. In fact many of our fire and police responders are



Goffstown Fire & Police personnel coordinate a Warm-zone response during an active-shooter exercise (drill) in New Boston.

instructing other response agencies around the State in this new role.

FIRE STATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Town voters will be asked to vote on 2016 Warrant Article # 13 which will fund the needed rehabilitation and expansion of the Church Street fire station. The proposed renovations and expansion of the existing Church Street fire station will provide a safe facility for our responders and our community; providing more efficient operations and space needed to meet our increasing service demands.

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention Officer, Lt. Bill Connor, reports that 2015 has been very active year for our Fire Prevention Division. A driving force in a great deal of the work we have seen in 2015 was the cold and snowy period from late January through February. The National Weather Service reports that from January 24th through February 25th, the greater Manchester area never went more than 2 days without measurable snowfall. The snow wasn't the only facet of this stormy period, as brutally cold weather referred to as the "polar vortex" took hold in February and hung on into March. The coldest temperature of the year was on February 21st when the temperature dropped to 9 below zero. This type of winter weather not only drives heating system upgrades and generator installations, but also increases the hazards of carbon monoxide related emergencies and structural

failures of roofs due to snow loads.

Weather, fluctuating fuel prices, and incidents involving fuel provider failures have created a shift in which fuels residents use to heat their homes. The shifts include oil to propane, propane to oil, oil or propane to pellet fuels, and a few oil / propane customers have shifted to outdoor wood boilers. All of this work requires permits and inspections. The more complex projects involve both the building and fire departments. Residents have also added a great many supplemental heating appliances with stand alone pellet stoves and propane fired room heaters the most common selections to do the job. Safe installation and proper operation of these appliances are critical to the safety of the home. As part of our installation inspections, we review proper care and maintenance of these appliances with home owners while inspecting the appliance to insure safe and proper installation.

Residents report that the ice, wind, and snow storms of recent years are still the inspiration to add generators to their homes. During 2015, Fire Prevention has seen a high number of generator installations (permits and inspections) in town, a trend we have seen since 2011.

We are seeing increases in residential construction and renovation work. One of the driving forces is the current trend to convert existing single family homes into two family homes either via renovation or addition; some refer to these additions as “in-law” apartments or accessory dwelling units. These projects are in many instances more challenging than new construction as home owners and builders try to meld the old with the new. If you are considering such a project, please contact the planning, building and fire departments before starting to assure that your project is done in compliance with building, mechanical, fire, and life safety codes. Although showing signs of slowing because of increasing real estate prices, “house-flipping” also continues throughout the community. We still find many of “house-flippers” lack appropriate background or training to do this type of work; many fail to do the renovation work properly the first time around. This sort of project management has proven to be time consuming and challenging for inspectors with the higher likelihood of code violations.

Lt. Connor coordinates monthly school emergency and evacuation drills to insure preparedness in the event of incident or disaster. These drills are a concerted effort between school administration, the fire department, and the police department. Traditional fire drills are just one of several types of drills the schools participate in. Events of violence and natural disaster across the country have evolved fire drills into emergency drills which prepare schools for the unthinkable. The FD continues to work closely with our schools to assure safe buildings for our children. Each year we complete state required annual inspections and work out corrective measures where needed to assure the safety of the students and staff.

Residents are reminded:

- All new heating appliances and generator installations must have permits prior to installation & must be inspected by the Fire Department before use.
- Always have appropriate safety equipment on hand: fire extinguisher, working smoke detectors, and carbon monoxide detection.
- *If your smoke or carbon monoxide detectors are 10 years old or older, it's time to replace them!*

RESPONSE ACTIVITY

2015 was another active year the Goffstown Fire Department. The Department responded to 2,259 calls for service! Crews responded to a variety of emergencies that included building fires, brush fires, large fuel spills, medical emergencies, explosive devices, and vehicle crashes. We also noted several more brush fires and outside fires in 2015 than what have been experienced in past years – due to the dry weather conditions.

The FD also responded to numerous heroin overdoses. The fire department has been working collaboratively with local, state, and federal agencies to find best practices of prevention, education, response, and treatment to help reduce the number of people affected by drug abuse and addiction.

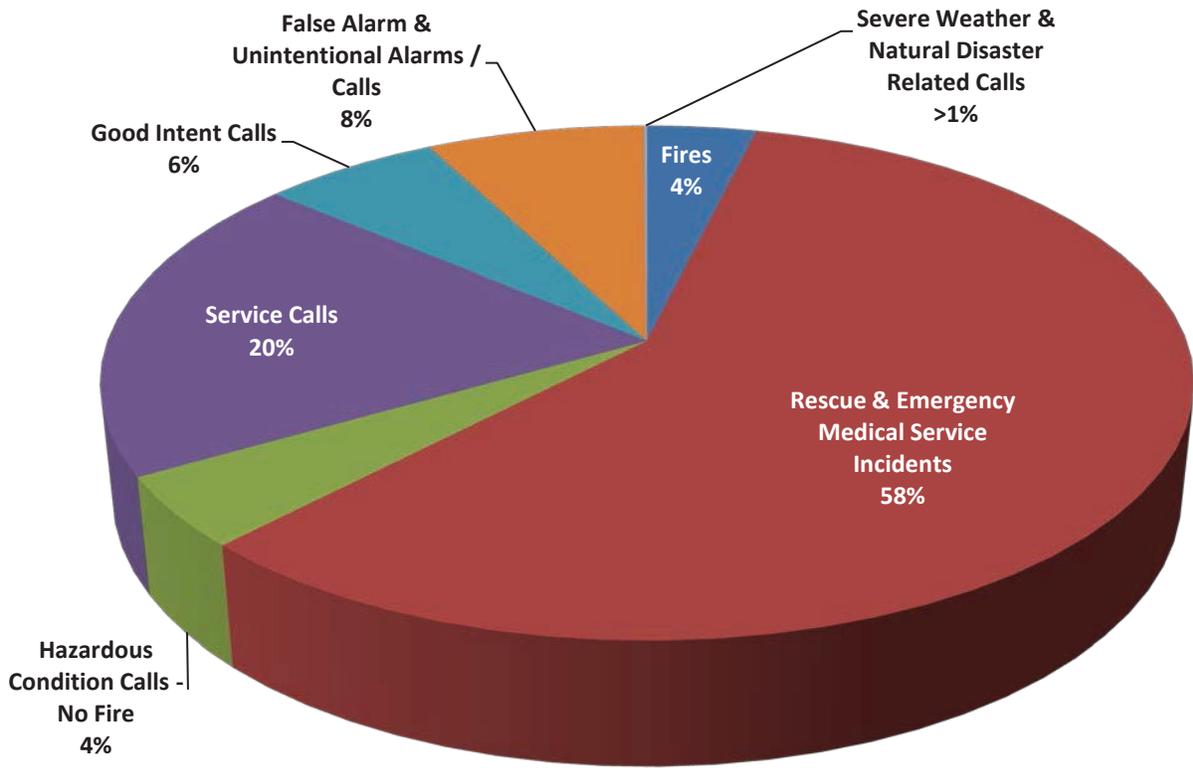


(Above & Right) Goffstown firefighters use the Tower / Ladder to work quickly to gain access to a fast-moving house fire on Summer Street.

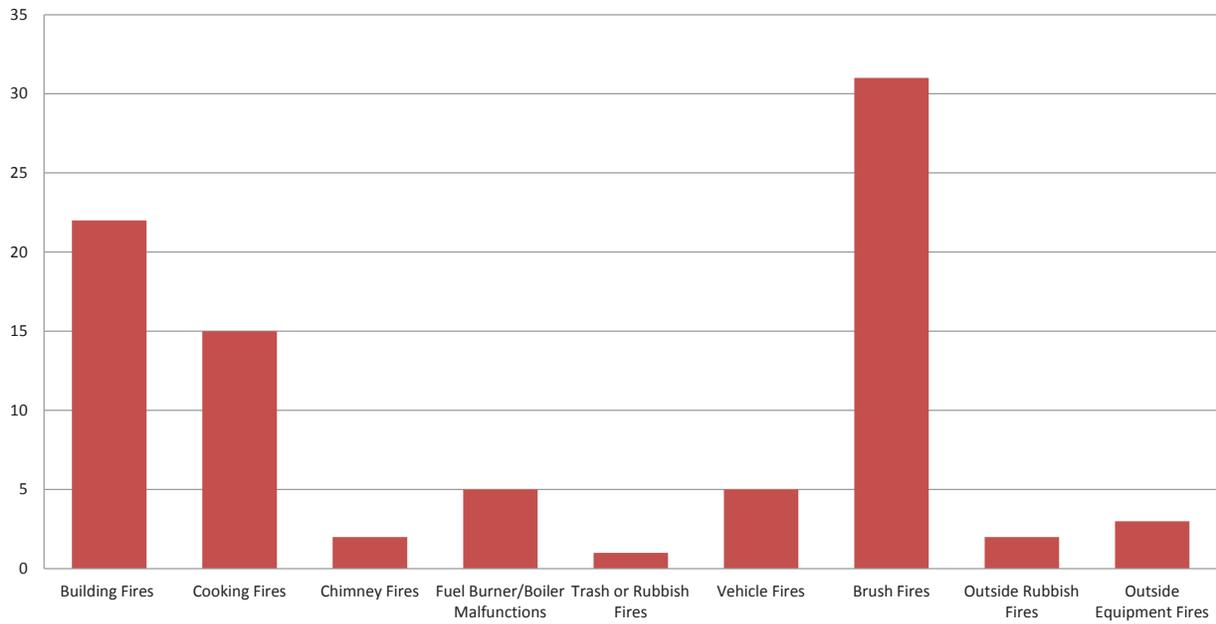


(Left) Goffstown firefighters use the new Squad Unit to go off-road to extinguish a night-time brush fire on the South Uncanoonuc Mountain.

2015 Incident Break Down



2015 Fire Incident Break Down



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Goffstown was not immune to natural disasters in 2015. The Town was hit with multiple snowstorms in a short period of time during the last week in January that triggered a massive snow removal effort by DPW. The President declared disaster which allowed the Town to receive financial assistance to recoup some of the costs to remove the massive amounts of snow.

The Town's Emergency Management continues to team up with the New Hampshire Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to offer a comprehensive emergency notification system to the residents and visitors of Goffstown. The new system is called *NH Alerts*. It is a FREE public safety alerting system that can effectively alert, inform, and affect lives in Goffstown and throughout the state of New Hampshire by providing important emergency information that could save lives.

NH Alerts delivers free emergency community and missing person notices generated by local and state emergency officials. These alerts can be sent throughout the entire state or to specific geographic areas to notify only those persons who may be immediately affected by a local emergency. Examples of emergency alerts may include lockdown notices, viral outbreaks, chemical spills, evacuations, and active shooter situations. Goffstown residents can sign up for NH Alerts by going to the Town of Goffstown web site: <http://www.goffstown.com>, and select the NH Alerts icon, or by scanning the QR code below:



The Goffstown Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) promotes partnering between emergency management and response agencies and the people of the community. CERT trains members of neighborhoods and workplaces in basic response skills and then form them into CERT teams as part of the emergency response capability for the community. If there is a natural or man-made event that overwhelms or delays the community's professional responders, Goffstown CERT members can assist others by applying the basic response and organizational skills learned during the CERT training. These skills can help save and sustain lives until professional help arrives. Goffstown CERT members also volunteer for special projects that improve our community's preparedness.

The Goffstown CERT organization is under the town's Emergency Management structure headed by the Goffstown Fire Chief / Emergency Management Director. In 2015, members spent over 1,500 hours at local and regional trainings, community events, meetings, and minor activations. Goffstown was fortunate to avoid major disasters in 2015; however, CERT continues to train and prepare for the possibility of such an event.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

The Goffstown Forest Fire Warden, Goffstown Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless

the ground is completely covered with snow. The ability to obtain fire permits on line was initiated in 2015. Approximately 120 towns participated in the online system with over 4,000 permits issued. To obtain a permit on line visit www.NHfirepermit.com. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

This past fire season burned **661 acres** which was the most recorded since 1989 when 629 acres burned. The fire season began in early April with the first reported fire occurring on April 8th. The largest fire was the 275 acre Bayle Mountain fire in Ossipee. This fire started on May 5th and burned for several days. The Bayle Mt. fire was also the largest individual fire in NH in over 25 years. There were also a number of other sizable fires in May which definitely kept NH's wildland firefighting resources stretched to the limit. These larger fires increased the average wildland fire size to 5.12 acres. As usual our higher fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2015 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

Remember!

Outdoor fires require a permit which is available at both the Church Street and Mast Road fire stations (daily before 6 pm). Contact the station to confirm whether a permit is required before kindling a fire.

The Goffstown Fire Department and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands have teamed up to offer town property owners the opportunity to obtain permits on-line to kindle outside fires. The online permitting system can be accessed at www.NHfirepermit.com, or by scanning the QR code below:



2015 FIRE STATISTICS

(All wildfires reported as of November 2015)

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

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	15.3	11
Carroll	299.5	10
Cheshire	27.6	18
Coos	1.6	6
Grafton	22.6	17
Hillsborough	50.6	23
Merrimack	228	16
Rockingham	9.2	14
Strafford	5.5	15
Sullivan	1.1	4



CAUSES OF WILDFIRES REPORTED

		<u>Total</u>	<u>Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
Arson	7	2015	134	661
Debris	17	2014	112	72
Campfire	13	2013	182	144
Children	2	2012	318	206
Smoking	12	2011	125	42
Railroad	0			
Equipment	6			
Lightning	5			
Misc.*	71	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

I am proud to report that our community is protected by some of the most dedicated, highly-trained and professional first responders in the State. I want to thank the residents of Goffstown, the Board of Selectmen, Goffstown Fire / Rescue Association, Goffstown Professional Firefighters Association, and Town Departments for their continued support of *your* Fire Department. Above all, I commend the dedicated men and women of the Fire Department; continuing to serve through valor, excellence, selflessness, and community pride.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Richard S. O'Brien, MS, CFO
 Fire Chief, Emergency Management Director
 Goffstown Forest Fire Warden

PARKS AND RECREATION



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

L-R: Kevin Daigle, Gary Gendron, Chairman Howard Sobolov, Brad Parkhurst, Director Rick Wilhelmi, Liza Dubois, Vice Chair Jane Steckowych, Peter Hooker. Not present in photo: Selectman's rep Scott Gross.

As in the last several years, the commissioners and staff have maintained their focus to enhance/develop the established priorities and goals set in 2010 (Goffstown Sports Complex, Rail Trail, Access to Natural Resources, Upgrading existing parks and facilities, special events, and additional and varied programs). The commissioners make adjustments annually to these six goals to allow the department/community to grow and meet the various recreational/leisure demands of our community. This is all done with a great deal of dedication from our department staff, volunteers, collaborations with GHS Athletics, community support, and our Department of Public Works ("DPW") crews. We are extremely fortunate to have a group of very talented men and women designing and working our future fields.

The commissioners approved the following projects from Parks and Recreation impact fees and revolving fund in 2015: Impact fee dollars allocated for the development of phase one of Barnard Park Sports Complex (dig well, irrigation, seeding for two rectangular fields), Revolving fund dollars allocated for Barnard Park tennis fence replacement, Roy and Barnard roof rafters for greater support, and Roy Park master plan.

FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

Development of the Goffstown Sports Complex (located adjacent to the town transfer station) keeps moving forward. Town engineers met with Eversource representatives to finalize the design plan. Next is the state alteration of terrain (AOT) permit for actual development. The commissioners spent a good part of 2015 working on Roy Park plans. Working with the Terrain Planning & Design firm early in the year, a survey went out to the community through the voter's guide; our design engineer then took the results of the survey, and developed a conceptual drawing of the possibilities (upper and lower playground, new entry way to upper playground, new parking lot, Spray Park, nature paths). The conceptual drawings were brought forth to two public

information forums, and the final result from the group was to develop a multi-age playground and make improvements to the current pool house bathrooms. Barnard Park tennis court fencing was replaced in the summer. Barnard and Roy Pavilions both had the roofs reinforced by adding roof rafters. A 10' x 10' addition to the Roy pool house was added to help with storage and an office/rest area for the lifeguards. A 12' x 14' pole barn was built at the recreation building.

PROGRAM UPDATES

Programmatically, we maintained our current programs and added some new activities. The summer playground program saw increased participation numbers at the Roy Park, and a steady number at Barnard Park. NLT (Next Level Tennis) continued providing youth, adult and senior tennis lessons at Barnard Park. The Barnard Pool swim lessons had a large number of participants again this year. Both Roy and Barnard pools saw a large number of recreational swimmers through most of the summer season. Our boys youth recreational basketball program maintained its strength with 6 teams for the 3rd & 4th grade, 8 teams for the 5th & 6th grade, 6 teams for the 7th & 8th grade. The Girls youth basketball program has maintained the numbers as in years past. Our 1st and 2nd grade Coed Division was maxed out with 8 teams of 10 players per team. Our boy's high school basketball division was down to four teams. Our Men's 18 plus league maintained 6 teams.

Our Youth Lacrosse boys divisions (U9, U11, U13, and U15) stayed the same as last year, and again this year we had a strong presence for Girls Youth Lacrosse divisions (U9 & U11 & U13). We added a Girls U15 lacrosse division with strong numbers for future growth. The after school activity periods and after school youth soccer all remained strong. The 36th Annual Goffstown Gallop saw 150 participants with the first online registration and chip timing system. We continue to try and provide recreational activities for our senior population that included the 42nd annual senior dinner, cribbage, dominos, rail trail walks, and senior tennis lessons. We tried to develop a senior Tai Chi program. Look for more to come in 2016. We would really like to see a senior center develop at our recreation building. We continue to work with private providers of fitness and leisure activities such as Zumba with Gorica, Tae Kwon Do with Andrew Jefferson, Contoocook River Canoe & Kayak rental, and the Master Builders Lego group. We again collaborated with the Goffstown High School Athletic department/coaching staff by providing co-sponsored athletic clinics. We continue our collaboration with Cave Girl Field Hockey who provides an eight-week field hockey clinic at Barnard Park. We collaborated with WZID for the block party at Barnard Park.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the many people who make our Town of Goffstown such a great place to live. I would like to thank each and every one of the DPW employees for all their talent, dedication, and willingness to help improve our Parks and Recreation Department. We continue to make great strides with their guidance and efforts and this group of men and women deserve our grateful appreciation. Thank you also to the Parks and Recreation Commission who have spent many hours on a monthly basis thinking of ways to better serve our community through facility and program development. This is a volunteer committee that does an outstanding job for our community. Thank you to Sue Desruisseaux and all Town Hall staff, to my fellow Department Directors, the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee, and CIP Committee for giving me their support, guidance, and camaraderie. Thanks to all the local businesses for their continued support in making our programs so successful. Thanks to School Superintendent Brian Balke, the principals and support staff at each school, Athletic Director Steve Fountain for allowing the use of the school facilities, Goffstown High School coaching staff for collaborating

on youth skill clinics and all the Volunteers who help make the Parks and Recreation leagues, special events, and programs so successful. I would especially like to thank two very important people in our Recreation Department: Mike Guerrette, and Stasia Hurley. Without the two of them our programs would not be as strong and our fields would not be in the great condition that they are now. I am very proud to be part of a town that is surrounded by so many individuals, young and older, willing to give of themselves so freely to make our community a happier and healthier place to live. The Parks and Recreation Department survives and thrives in Goffstown!

Respectfully Submitted,
Rick Wilhelmi, Director



Rick Wilhelmi, Director

GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT



Chief Rob Browne

POLICE

This is the second annual report I have completed during my short tenure as Police Chief for the Town of Goffstown. I am honored and humbled to be the custodian of such a talented organization comprised of passionate and professional employees, all of whom remain dedicated to meeting the needs of the Goffstown community. Collectively, the Department is committed to the many relationships and partnerships it has fostered that have resulted in the formulation of a number of programs within the community over the years. Many of these programs involve partnerships with different organizations throughout the community, especially the Goffstown School District. These collective efforts are designed to provide a safe, quality place for people to live, work, raise their families, and attend Saint Anselm College.

The transition of personnel working and leaving the Police Department remains constant. Our agency saw four sworn officers leave the agency with one leaving law enforcement completely. Two other members of the Communications Division left for differing reasons. This is an unfortunate trend in our profession across the country. Law Enforcement agencies are continuously struggling to retain qualified personnel while recruiting and selecting only those with whom we have confidence and trust to protect our community.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2015

- The Department was reaccredited by CALEA, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Inc., for the eighth consecutive cycle (22 years) demonstrating that it's procedures meet national best practices and that the Department adheres to them as service is delivered to the Goffstown community.
- The Department updated its website and Facebook page to better advertise our services, our community outreach programs and further published a weekly crime stat log.
- Our National Night Out Campaign was its biggest ever for the 3rd year in a row. The weather cooperated this year along with our media outreach efforts to make this our most attended event yet.
- The Police Department partnered with Goffstown Fire, SAU 19 and many volunteers to conduct a full scale active shooter exercise at the Goffstown High School.
- The department was also responsible for providing the safest political venue in the State of New Hampshire on December 19th as the Democratic National Debates were held at Saint Anselm College. 42 officers from Goffstown and surrounding mutual aid agencies participated in providing safety and security while under the national spotlight.

This year, the State of New Hampshire was devastated by the Opioid epidemic and we all learned firsthand that this problem can affect anyone, any family, anywhere. Goffstown was not immune to the outbreak as we investigated at least five overdose deaths and many more potential fatal episodes if not for the work of our Town's first responders. To assist our department and the community at large for these traumatic events is our Chaplaincy program, coordinated by our Chaplain Debra Grow. She has become the point of contact for faith leaders in our town and works with civic organizations to help assist residents in need. Chaplain Grow, a volunteer to our department, has graciously donated over 1000+ hours of service to the citizens of Goffstown and to the members of the Goffstown Police Department. Her work is immeasurable, but her dedication is second to none.

The fallout of the Opioid problem in our communities was seen in other less traumatic ways through increased property crimes. Goffstown saw spikes in property crimes in excess of 25% for most of the year. As the demand for drugs grew, people turned to thievery to support their habits. Our agency recovered large portions of stolen items from pawn shops in Goffstown as well as the greater Manchester area. Even though we were able to recover stolen property, the manpower resources dedicated to these investigations took away from dedicated prevention efforts elsewhere.

On behalf of the men and woman of the Goffstown Police Department, I would like to thank the citizens of Goffstown for your continued faith and trust in our efforts to serve our community. Our Nation has witnessed massive amounts of civil unrest in 2015 and in some places a complete loss of trust in the men and woman of law enforcement who are sworn to serve and protect. We are proud of the support and partnership we have garnered with our community and will forever strive be better and serve with dignity. Through this partnership, we endeavor to provide a better quality of life for all, while protecting rights of all citizens.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Rob Browne



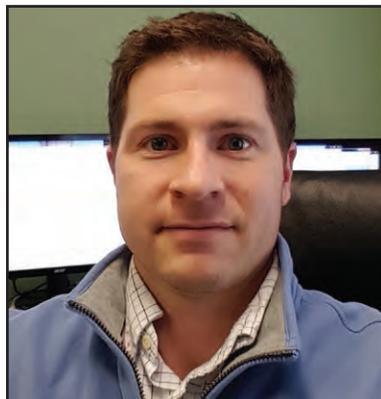
**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2015 - DECEMBER 31, 2015**

	2013	2014	2015	% INC/ DEC VS 2014
CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS				
Abuse/Neglect & Juvenile Offenses (child/elderly, runaways, truancy, etc)	100	62	56	-10%
Alcohol	56	18	27	50%
Intoxication - Pro Custody Sub	8	37	28	-24%
Assaults (includes SSA)	131	70	133	90%
Assault on Police Officer	0	2	2	200%
Criminal Threat (includes SSA)	73	57	52	-9%
Domestic Violence	182	173	91	-47%
Domestic Violence Petitions	58	58	35	-40%
Homicide	0	0	0	0%
Sex Offenses (includes sex assaults, & sex offender registrations)	87	88	79	-10%
Drug Offenses (includes SSA)	89	67	58	-13%
Robbery	6	3	3	0%
TOTAL CRIME AGAINST PERSONS	790	635	564	-11%
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER				
Alarms	885	560	644	15%
Animal Complaints	408	468	415	-11%
Arson	0	1	1	100%
Burglary & Criminal Trespass	167	101	106	5%
Courtesy Calls (lockouts, 911 calls, fingerprinting etc)	1455	639	649	2%
Crime Prevention	849	1570	3135	100%
Administration	420	489	473	-3%
Criminal Mischief	125	111	122	10%
Disorderly Conduct	271	68	66	-3%
Fraud (includes bad checks, credit card fraud, counterfeiting)	86	70	132	89%
Hazards (includes power outages, trees & wires down etc)	120	260	180	-31%
Larceny (includes motor vehicle thefts)	431	351	249	-29%
Mutual Aid	506	398	391	-2%
Operations	2855	6725	9971	48%
Property (lost/found)	274	250	270	8%
Suspicious Persons (Activity)	283	181	330	82%
Suspicious Vehicles	227	384	337	-12%
TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER	9362	12626	17471	38%

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2015 - DECEMBER 31, 2015**

	2013	2014	2015	% INC/ DEC
MOTOR VEHICLE AND ARREST ACTIVITY				
Total Adult Arrests	713	494	439	-11%
Total Juvenile Arrests	42	39	36	-8%
DWI - Arrests	89	63	48	-24%
Total Arrests	755	533	475	-11%
Use of Mobile Electronic Devices While Driving; Prohibition				
Total Summons			71	
Total Written Warnings			65	
Total Summons	2122	2047	2424	18%
Total Warning Warnings	3735	4263	4332	2%
Total Verbal Warnings			736	
Motor Vehicle Activity (includes MV hazards, disabled, abandoned, parking tkts)				
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1016	1319	1719	30%
With Injury	642	433	473	9%
Fatalities	53	79	62	-22%
Fatalities	0	1	2	100%
Total Motor Vehicle Activity	7645	8170	10411	27%
Drug Overdose Deaths				
Total Calls for Service	21137	28085	38604	37%
COMPLAINTS AGAINST EMPLOYEES/OFFICERS/ DEPT				
	21	17	11	-35%
Founded	10	13	4	
Unfounded/Proper Conduct	8	4	6	
Insufficient Evidence	3	0	1	

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



Adam Jacobs, Director

It is my sincere pleasure to provide my first annual report as the Director of the Goffstown Public Works Department. I have enjoyed getting to know the residents of Goffstown and am thoroughly impressed with the professionalism, teamwork, and capability of our DPW staff. The bar for 2016 and beyond has been set high!

The Department has redoubled efforts this year to provide the highest possible level of service to the community while remaining sensitive to the tax rate. We have continued public outreach efforts such as the popular Touch-a-Truck Day, school visits, and annual Construction Career Days, in addition to website project updates and post-construction surveys. We've also added a few new programs such as a Facebook page ("like" us at: www.facebook.com/goffstownDPW) and weekly project email updates.

DPW became a voluntary DigSafe member community in 2015. This commits us to respond to any calls for pre-excavation utility marking in Goffstown, but in turn provides an extra ounce of protection against damage to our underground drainage system. We have also implemented a new citizen service request and work order system (visit www.goffstown.com/dpw for a web service request) to better track the assets we manage, and have subsequently increased documentation of our work by over 50%.

The default budget scenario curtailed some of our plans for 2015. Low oil prices helped our asphalt and fuel costs, and a late start to the winter of 2015-16 brought us in under budget at year end. There was enough of a surplus to fully fund the conversion of all town streetlights to energy efficient LED, which will occur in early 2016. The project is expected to save the town nearly 60% in annual outdoor lighting electricity costs at a payback period of less than 3 years after all Eversource rebates are applied.

Some of the many other public works highlights from 2015:

The year began in the middle of one of the most active winters in recent memory, with nearly three feet of total snow accumulation above the average for New Hampshire. Temperatures were also well below normal and on average reached historical lows for the month of February. These cold temperatures kept the snow very light and fluffy, but we ran out of room for snowbanks in many areas.

Roadways saw their fair share of our plow trucks at the beginning of the year, with nearly 70 individual winter snow or ice events between January 1st and April 8th. Conversely there were only 6 snow or ice events in December, including a request for road treatment due to firefighting water icing over the road at a structure fire on Black Brook Road.

Winter eventually gave way to spring, which provided us with a window for stockpile and pit cleanup, equipment maintenance, tree work, and milling potholes for permanent patch repair

throughout town. Once the construction season began, it was full steam ahead.

Roads that were reclaimed or shimmed in 2014 received a top course of asphalt: Addison Road, Bog Road, East Dunbarton Road, Pleasant Street, and Worthley Hill. Wallace Road, Mountain Base Road, and a portion of Henry Bridge Road received a maintenance overlay of asphalt, a practice which will help keep our main and collector roads from falling back into poor condition. A section of pavement around the recycling building at the Transfer Station was also paved. In all, 88,500 square yards of paving was completed, the equivalent of around 6.5 miles of road, representing about 5% of the total network.

Roads in need of more than just a fresh coat of pavement are evaluated as part of our road plan for reclamation and drainage projects. This comprehensive process involves grinding and kneading the existing asphalt into the gravel base, removal of any older drainage pipes or structures, installing perforated under drain to keep the road bed dry, excavating drainage ditches, and adding a layer of proper gravel prior to paving the road again. In 2015, DPW acted as General Contractor for all road work, which allowed us to stretch the budget further than in previous years. This work would have cost the taxpayers an additional \$1.3 million if fully contracted.

Our first road reclamation and drainage project was at Paige Hill Road between Elm Street and Winter Hill Road, the first phase of a multi-year project. Drainage was upgraded throughout, and additional inlets added at the reconfigured intersection with Elm Street to eliminate ponding and winter icing concerns. This project is expected to continue with the section from Winter Hill Road to Locust Street in 2016.

We moved on to Main Street, where we widened and improved the Town Hall parking lot entrance. This involved removal of several courses of brick pavers, relocating irrigation and utility lines, replacing and adding new granite curbing, paving, and replacing pavement markings. Even with the space constraints of the site, we were able to add a few feet of width to the driveway.

Next we focused our attention to New Boston Road between Bog Road and Hermsdorf Avenue, which was the third and final phase of that project. The Goffstown Village Water Precinct started work a month earlier to replace their water main, and we started the town's portion just after the 4th of July. This project included replacing the sidewalk and pedestrian bridge, in addition to rehabilitating the roadway bridge at Bog Brook. Utility conflicts did not allow replacement of the second pedestrian bridge on Pleasant Street, which will now occur in 2016. At the end of the season, New Boston Road, Bell Road, and Pleasant Street received a top course of asphalt.

Schedule and budget allowed us to continue into the Fall by reclaiming Hooksett Road and Black Brook Road, which were both in a severe state of disrepair. Several icing, drainage, and road



Drainage work on Paige Hill Road



Pedestrian bridge installed at New Boston Road

geometry issues were also corrected. Work will continue on Black Brook Road in 2016 with the final phase between Tirrell Hill Road and East Dunbarton Road.

There was also a large privately-contracted project in town this year, which included adding pedestrian traffic signals to three road crossings of the Rail Trail on Henry Bridge Road and Mast Road. 80% of the funding was provided by a federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) grant, and a portion provided by the Friends of the Goffstown

Rail Trail. DPW was tasked with construction administration and oversight of the contractor performing the work. Federal grant programs require an enormous amount of paperwork and audit-quality recordkeeping, and our engineering staff did an excellent job by all accounts.

This work was in addition to all the necessary preparations for the next transportation project in design phase, part of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program. The design includes traffic and pedestrian safety improvements at both Pleasant Street and Elm/High St intersections on Rte. 114. Engineering staff also oversaw the sewer replacement project on Glenridge Avenue and prepared plans for DPW reclamation work in 2015 and 2016.

The weather cooperated in November and December, and we were able to take full advantage by continuing work on the Parks and Recreation Sports Facility/DPW gravel pit project, remove hazard trees from roadsides all over town, and begin cleaning up storm water management ponds that required maintenance.

The Solid Waste Division continues to provide outstanding curbside collection service under what are often difficult conditions. The staff maintains the Transfer Station in impeccable

condition, and provides weekly household hazardous waste collection, something that very few municipalities offer. In 2015, Goffstown residents disposed of 5,083 tons of municipal solid waste (trash), and 1,898 tons of single-stream recyclables, a recycling rate of 27%. Although commodity pricing for recyclables has fallen, and the town no longer receives revenue from the single stream program, this effort has offset \$60,000 in solid waste disposal costs. While we have



Pedestrian bridge installed at New Boston Road

a ways to go before we start talking about being a “zero waste” community, our goal is to enhance public outreach and achieve 35% waste stream diversion in 2016. With your help, I am confident that next year we’ll be talking about an even higher goal.

The Cemetery Division also had a busy year, providing beautification efforts to the 3 town burial grounds and various areas such as the town commons. Plot mapping and recordkeeping projects are nearly complete, and the Westlawn Cemetery expansion is planned to continue in 2016. The division continues to provide a high level of pride and professionalism when assisting families in difficult times.

Not to be outdone, our Fleet Maintenance Division took on their fair share of work. The year began with an unanticipated and major transmission repair to one of our bucket loaders, and ended with a major engine overhaul to one of our solid waste tractor trailers. In between, our mechanics managed over 1,000 work orders, for either corrective or preventive maintenance. Some additional new tasks included implementing an oil sampling program and installing battery cutout switches to help limit the potential for a catastrophic garage fire such as those experienced recently in Hopkinton and Henniker. A big “thank you” is due to our mechanics for keeping our equipment in excellent condition and minimizing downtime.

2015 was not without sadness, however, as we lost a member of our public works family. Gene Carreau, a 12-year employee at the Transfer Station, passed away in September. He was a kind and thoughtful man, and a dedicated employee. He will be missed dearly.

Looking ahead to 2016: The DPW will seek continuous improvement by leveraging mobile technology, generating a 10-year road plan with input from key stakeholders, working toward national accreditation, and streamlining our budget wherever possible.

Thank you for your continued support.
Respectfully submitted,
Adam Jacobs
Director of Public Works



Gene Carreau

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Dianne Hathaway,
Library Director**

OUR MISSION:

The Goffstown Public Library will serve as a primary resource for community information needs. It will provide a comfortable place for citizens to access quality materials and programs, enhance cultural awareness and to explore issues of local, national and global interest.

SNAPSHOT OF LIBRARY SERVICE: 2015

Without adding more money to our budget, we have maximized the value of Library services by:

- Continuing to borrow and circulate books from the elementary, middle and high schools during the summer. This summer we borrowed 228 books from the public schools that circulated 825 times. This doesn't count those titles being borrowed from the GPL or GMILCS collections or e-books downloaded from our library or the high school library over the summer.
- We continue to openly share materials between the members of our GMILCS, Inc. consortium and in 2015 this amounted to 18,570 items borrowed by the Goffstown community. (GMILCS, Inc. is a private, nonprofit consortium of ten public and two academic libraries in southern New Hampshire.)
- Some of those items are considered floating, meaning that once items are returned to the GPL they are shelved right here rather than being transported back to the owning library. Collections that "float" are the large print and biography collections, as well as the audiobook collection. The number varies because of our lack of shelf space; in 2015 floating items equaled 379.
- We made big changes to our e-sources, by discontinuing those without good usage to be able to free up money for services we need to expand, like adding e-book and e-audio content, and adding streaming independent films through IndieFlix.
- Our own Tammy Gross spent many hours refining our web site and various pages that we present to the Goffstown community and web community near and far. While the restructuring reduced our page views, our web pages are clean and more easily navigated

While we keep busy with traditional library services like programming and providing books and more to our community, some of the customer service we provide gets lost in the shuffle. We assist the public needing to accomplish a variety of unique tasks online, and they visit us because they don't own their own computer and/or have internet access:

- We assist people with registering online for college classes.
- We proctor exams for college and university students taking online classes.
- We regularly help people sign up for and use email accounts.
- We assist visitors who need to print out airline boarding passes; this usually occurs a few times a week.

- Earlier this year a staff member helped a community member download text messages from a cell phone, by decoding it to a readable format, and then printed it for them.
- We regularly help people looking for employment when they need to write a cover letter, format and update their resume, and other job related tasks.
- We help people complete and submit online employment applications and unemployment forms.
- We provide access to IRS tax forms.
- Recently, a staff member helped a young man navigate online forms and requirements to receive mileage reimbursement for travel to a clinic. This transaction also included a phone call for the young man to his insurance company.

HOME DELIVERY SERVICE

Goffstown residents may request home delivery if they are unable to visit the Library due to advanced age, temporary (lasting longer than 60 days) or permanent illness or disability, and have no one who can visit the library on their behalf. This service is strong and currently serves 12 members of the Goffstown community: 2 in their own homes and 10 at the Hillsborough County Nursing Home. 952 items were delivered during 2015, and include books in a variety of formats, magazines and newspaper crosswords. Sandy Whipple also facilitated the distribution of bibles from the Goffstown Clergy Association and assisted with teaching folks how to download books to their devices and request materials from GMILCS, Inc. libraries.

USE OF SERVICES:

- Cardholders = 7,152 members, 7.3% growth or 528 members. On average, 53 new cardholders are added each month.
- Visitors = 55,043 in 2015, an increase of 1,631
- Network use = 3,925 hours, a decrease of 19.14% or 929 hours
- Items circulated = 106,226 that is a decrease of .49% or 523 items.
- Research Assistance = 12,741 requests for help, a 16.32% decrease
- Classes, Events and attendance = 414 events and classes (an increase of 5.61%) with a total attendance of 7,818 children, teens and adults (a decrease of 8.26 %)
- Digital Downloads = 8,231 audio and e-book items borrowed, an increase of 133 items or 1.6%
- Our Physical Collection = 37,237 items; we added 3,874 items and removed 3,674
- The Digital Collection: 46,610 e-book and e-audio, available to GPL cardholders

CLASSES, PROGRAMS, EVENTS AND OUTREACH

The GPL staff is always planning educational and recreational programs and classes as well as implementing them all year long, in addition to our annual summer reading program.

- New programs this year:
 - Got Robot class to introduce basic programming skills
 - Family Tea Party
 - Talk Like a Pirate Day
 - International Games Day
 - Coloring sessions
 - Benedikt Dairy
 - Fandom Frenzy
 - Get Your Nerd On!
- Community:
 - School visits to talk about SRP
 - Boy and Girl scout troop visits to library
 - Easter Bunny breakfast
 - Story time at the Library for local day care centers
 - Baking for Good
 - Second Human Library project
 - Wright Museum artifacts
 - Secondhand Chic Fashion Show
 - Poem in your Pocket Day
 - Museum Pass Program, funded by the Friends of the Library
 - Toys for Tots Christmas collection
- Still going strong:
 - Story times for ages 1 1/2 - kindergarten (weekdays and Saturday)
 - Family Gingerbread House decorating thanks to the Friends of the Library
 - Polar Express
 - Summer Reading Program - 295 children signed up in 2015
 - Reading Therapy dog
 - Open Mic Night with Apotheca Flower and Tea Chest
 - Cookbook Club
 - Two adult book discussion groups
 - The Blank Page Writers Group
 - Anime Club

OUR HISTORIC BUILDING

The Goffstown Public Library building is 106 years old and has been on the National Register of Historic Buildings since 1995. It has been vitally important to maintain the historical integrity of our beautiful building and this remains a priority for the Library Board of Trustees. This year, we added central air conditioning to the children's room to better control the climate for visitors and improve humidity levels in this basement space. Along with the addition of a condenser unit to the back of the building, a retaining wall was built that improved the aesthetics of the space as well as to better maintain and more easily remove snow from the sidewalk.



**Children's Room - Central Air Conditioning Project
Condenser Unit & Retaining Wall**

LLOYD GREEN HUMANITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In June, the Library was awarded the Lloyd Green Humanity Achievement Award by the Goffstown Network for our outreach in the Goffstown community and our work with a variety of local organizations. For the Library staff, it is exciting to be known for our humanity, as well as for the usual, expected library services we offer on a daily basis. The award is named after local resident Lloyd Green, who was a resident at Medford Farms and gathered canned goods from residents at Medford and the Village of Glen Falls, as well as growing a variety of vegetables to donate to the pantry. Lloyd served on the Network Board during the early days and is considered one of our community's pioneers in feeding those in need.

BACKPACKS FOR LIBERTY HOUSE

Our work here at the Library brings us together with a wide variety of people and organizations throughout the greater Goffstown community. In April, we met Keith Howard, Executive Director of Liberty House, who was a "book" in our 2015 Human Library project. In July, we learned about the strides Liberty House is making towards assisting and advocating for homeless veterans. Take a look at their web site at <http://libertyhousenh.org> to find out more about this great organization. Homeless veterans face unique challenges and it was our turn to extend a helping hand by collecting backpacks, tents, sleeping bags and nonperishable food items. We donated more than 500 items to Liberty House on behalf of the Goffstown community. Thank you!

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Take a Book • Return a Book

On October 6, 2015 we opened our community's first Little Free Library in Abingdon Park, next to Rite Aid in Pinardville. The Little Free Library project came to fruition through collaboration between Samantha Nizer, a 17-year old homeschool student; the Goffstown Public Library, the

Friends of the Goffstown Public Library, and the Cruess family of Bedford-based civil engineering firm TFMoran. This year, a variety of books for all age groups populated the Little Free Library, which remained open until snowfall made the sidewalks impassable. The Little Free Library relies on the honor system, with a “Take a Book, Return a Book” philosophy. We are looking forward to the LFL reopening in the spring!



**Sandy Whipple, Adult Services & Outreach
2015 READS Award of Excellence!**

READS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to our own Sandy Whipple as the 2015 recipient of the READS Award of Excellence! The purpose of the New Hampshire Library Association award is “to recognize outstanding contributions by an individual who has been instrumental in improving library services to adults”. Sandy’s response: “This was an honor of epic proportions, especially for someone like me, who arrived in libraryland as somewhat of an accidental tourist. But I could not begin to do what I do without the support of an incredibly talented and creative staff who embraces my kind of crazy. We may be small but we are mighty! We are short on space and funding but we are HUGE on heart and our sense of humanity. And at the helm is our fearless leader, Dianne Hathaway, who has the confidence and conviction to empower us to color outside the lines. It is an honor, privilege and joy to do what I do each and every day. Being recognized for doing what I love is kind of like pouring hot fudge sauce on top of an already delicious scoop of ice cream. It makes it that much more sweet and wonderful!”

Thank you to the Friends of the Goffstown Public Library who volunteered with us and donated more than \$7,000 to the GPL this year in the way of our Museum Pass Program, furniture, program supplies and assistance, and much more. Please join them and support their efforts! Our Library is governed by an elected Library Board of Trustees; they meet monthly on the third Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and welcome your input and vision for your library. The Library staff is a hard working group, eager to fulfill your educational, recreational and literary needs. Our web site is at www.goffstownlibrary.com to see our services, including those that are available 24/7, like our downloadable services and online resources. Better yet, visit us and see what your 21st century public library is all about!

Respectfully Submitted,

Dianne G. Hathaway, MSLIS
Library Director

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES



*Top – Kurt Huxel (Alternate), Mike Lawler, Board Chair, Carl Foley, Kathy Holt
Seated – Kathy Coughlin, Suzanne Riel (Board Vice Chair), Lisa Iodice (Alternate)
Not present: Gary Meehan*

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

FINANCIAL REPORT*

JANUARY 1, 2015 – DECEMBER 31, 2015

*This report does not include Library Expenses paid through the Town's General Fund Operating Budget.

Revenues

Fines:	\$	4,219.17
Interest:		315.26
Fundraising/Grants		2,087.25
Other Revenue-		
Gifts/Donations:		345.25
**Miscellaneous:		4,284.08

Total Revenues	\$	11,251.01
Net	\$	10,169.42

Expenses

Programs & Materials:	\$	656.07
Misc Expenses:		425.52

Total Expenses	\$	1,081.59
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**Miscellaneous: Fees collected for Library cards and lost books.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

<u>Account</u>		<u>Balance</u>
80 -	Library Trustee Fund	
 <u>Assets</u>		
10120	Cash-Checking	\$ 2,912.41
10180	Cash-TD Bank	209,600.84
	Total Assets	<u>\$ 212,513.25</u>
		<u><u>\$ 212,513.25</u></u>
 <u>Liabilities</u>		
20100	Accounts Payable	\$.00
 <u>Equity</u>		
28160	Fund Balance-Undesignated	212,513.25
	Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$ 212,513.25</u>
		<u><u>\$ 212,513.25</u></u>

BUILDING BOARDS OF APPEALS



*Seated L-R: Bruce Buttrick; Mark Collins.
Standing L-R: Nancy J. Nichols, alternate; Gary Meehan; Thomas Hanley.
Member not present in photo: Arthur W. Rose, Jr.*

The Building Board of Appeals is a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen to hear appeals of orders or decisions made by the building inspector relative to building code interpretations.

CABLE TELEVISION COMMUNITY ACCESS COMMITTEE



*L-R: Barbara Doody, alternate; Brad Parkhurst, Chairman; Michael Przekaza;
Adam McCune, GTV Coordinator.
Members not present in photo: Jason Cote; Brian Salyards.*

The Cable Television Community Access Committee is a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen to plan and govern the establishment and operation of the Goffstown Cable Television Community Access System. A full report of Goffstown Television can be found on page 129 of this report.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP) COMMITTEE



*Seated L-R: Earl S. Carrel, Vice Chairman, Community Rep.;
Tim Redmond, Chairman, Planning Board Rep.; Gail Labrecque, Community Rep.
Standing L-R: Ben Hampton, School Board Rep.; Raymond Labore, Community Rep.;
Peter Georgantas, Selectmen Rep.*

*Members not present in photo: Barbara Griffin, Planning Board Rep. Alt.;
Elizabeth Dubrulle, Budget Comm. Rep.; Liz Mitchell, Budget Comm. Alt. Rep.;
Heather Trzepacz, School Board Alt. Rep.*

The Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Committee, formed in 1982, is an appointed advisory committee. It meets to consider capital improvement requests from department heads, town utility commissions and the school board. All requests are evaluated to ensure that both Master Plan priorities are met and that the health, safety and welfare needs of the Town are considered and addressed. When considering requests, the Committee attempts to prioritize proposed improvements, while evenly spreading the associated costs over the next six years in an attempt to prevent unnecessarily large tax fluctuations.

The 2015 CIP Committee began with requests for 2016 totaling \$8,501,363 submitted by the Town and School Departments. The recommended vehicles and projects list was reduced to \$6,779,753 and was submitted to the Planning Board on September 10, 2015 for discussion and approval.

On the Town side, the CIP Committee began with requests totaling \$5,991,629. The proposed amount was reduced to \$5,268,019, a decrease of \$723,610 or approximately 12%.

On the School side, the CIP Committee began with requests totaling \$2,509,734. The proposed amount was reduced to \$1,511,734, a decrease of \$998,000 or approximately 39.75%.

For the 2016 year, the Police Department requested three new police vehicles. And funding for building renovations and HVAC upgrades. All Police requests were left in the matrix.

The Fire Department requested two new vehicles. A new ambulance, which would be funded with money from the Ambulance Reserve Fund, was left in the matrix. A new Rescue-Pumper request was moved out one year to 2017 and a request to increase the Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Apparatus was moved from 2017 to 2016. If the voters approve this change, the Town will have nearly all of the needed funds for the Rescue-Pumper purchase on hand, requiring a small taxpayer funded balance to purchase. Also requested was funding for two capital projects. Both were considered life safety issues, so the Committee left them in the matrix. A bond request for renovations at the Church Street Station was left in also.

Public Works submitted requests for a mix of new and used vehicles and equipment. The Committee left all the requests in the matrix. In addition to the Road Plan, there were several

requests that included dam repairs and bridge deck replacements. One deck replacement was moved out and the others were left in. A request was made for Westlawn Cemetery and, it too, was left in.

Parks and Recreation proposed two new renovation projects; one at Roy Park and one at Barnard Pare Sports Complex fields. Both were deemed necessary and the Committee moved them forward after the Director stated that “they would need community involvement to help support and drive this to its completion” when speaking about the Roy Park Revitalization Project. A mower request was moved out to 2017.

Administration made requests for two items; first was structural repairs to the floor at Town Hall and second was Grasmere Town Hall siding and window repairs. Both were left in.

The Library requested funds for architectural services in 2016 and Library Addition Construction funds in 2017. The Committee moved both requests out one year after talking with the representatives of the Library.

The Sewer Commission presented their plans and expenses to the Committee. As an Enterprise Fund, the presentation is customary as their projects are funded by users, not general taxation.

Village Water and Grasmere Water Precincts, Planning & Economic Development did not make any presentations for 2016 CIP.

The School Department made requests for four of the five schools. No request was made for Glen Lake School. Out of all the requests, one was moved out. District-wide, a request for land procurement behind GHS was moved out one year to 2017.

Many of the items that the CIP Committee left in 2016 require special Articles and possibly the issuance of bonds in order to appropriate funding. The committee did not take out much from the matrix this year and decided to let the Selectmen, School Board, and Budget Committee, decide whether to move forward with or to reject these Capital Projects in the proposed 2016 budget. As a result, the capital items that the voters will consider in the 2016 budgets are what the Board of Selectmen, School Board and Budget Committee have continued to support.

As a result of proper CIP planning, the Town is able to plan for its future and the CIP process provides the Town with a way to accomplish and prioritize its goals in accordance with the Master Plan.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Redmond, Chairman

CEMETERY TRUSTEES



L-R: Joan Konieczny; Jean Walker, Chair; Linda Reynolds-Naughton.

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees continue to spend considerable time overseeing the town's three cemeteries as well as working with the DPW planning the completion of the Westlawn Expansion. The front section of fence and entrance grate has been installed. The new fence will be as similar as possible to the fence on the opposite side of the road. The Trustees are doing all they can to balance esthetic and cost while keeping in mind the lasting effect of the fence and cost effectiveness. Fees from lot sales go to the town, families themselves pay for labor charges for monument foundations made and put in by cemetery personnel, and also for opening of the graves for burials. This revenue along with Perpetual Care Trust Fund money was returned to the town as well and does not go into the cemetery budget.

Once again all rules and regulations were gone over by the Cemetery Trustees and adjusted and /or adapted as necessary. The Cemetery Supervisor will install new signs as soon as possible this spring at a minimal charge from the Hillsborough County Department of Correction. The Cemetery Foreman continues to update the information book that is posted in the box at Westlawn for visitors and families who come to search for loved ones buried there. When completed, it is hoped that with the numbers mounting at Shirley Hill that an information book can be kept there also.

Again, the Cemetery Trustees would like to express a special thanks to the Goffstown Garden Club, a local volunteer organization, for making the beautiful Memorial Day arrangements for all those in the three cemeteries who had funds in the Trust for such purposes. Their donation of time was greatly appreciated.

Families of loved ones are urged to familiarize themselves with the latest updated versions of the cemetery rules and regulations available at the town hall and on the town website. Flags will be provided in time for Memorial Day for those eligible and must be removed after Flag Day or put into a non-breakable container. Rules are adhered to and if anyone would like to discuss them, the Trustees are available by telephone or email and those numbers are listed on the town website.

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees thank the public for continued cooperation in understanding that we work for the benefit of all buried within the cemetery and our goal is to have consistency in rules and dignity for all who pay respects to their loved ones. A special thanks also to the DPW for their continued support in helping us throughout the year.

Respectfully,
Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

Respectfully submitted, Jean Walker, Chair
Joan Konieczny Linda Reynolds Naughton, Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Evelyn Miller; Jean Walker, Chair; Charles Freiburger
Standing L-R: Collis Adams, Selectmen's Rep.; Kimberly Peace, alternate;
David Nieman.*

*Members not present in photo: Karen McRae; Amy Pollock; Susan Tucker, Vice Chair;
Barbara Schult, alternate.*

In 2015 the Conservation Commission continued its mission to protect and preserve Goffstown's natural resources, including open space areas, surface waters and wetlands. The Commission continues to conduct site walks for proposed developments for the Planning Board and to comment on the suitability of the proposed plans for the land with the respect to all natural resources, with surface waters and wetlands impacts and potential erosion issues as our main focus.

The Conservation Commission and its Open Space Subcommittee continue work on conserving and protecting important and undeveloped lands. These projects address several goals of the Town's Master Plan and the Goffstown Open Space conservation plan. The Open Space committee introduces conservation options to interested landowners, write grant proposals to obtain funds for conservation projects and work closely with local land trust. These land trust include The Society For The Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) and The Piscataquog Land Conservancy (PLC).

The Commission is looking to increase recreational trail and vista on the Uncanoonuc Mountains. Work continues on some of the trails and vistas of the South Mountain, with views to the White Mountains for all to enjoy.

In a collaborative effort of the Shost family, the Forest Society and the town, a conservation easement on 177 acres of the Shost's farm, Sugar Bush Farm was acquired. This was an opportunity to make sure the wildlife diversity would not be displaced and wildlife habitat including a blue heron rookery were protected.

Five generations have cared for the land, the Shosts had another reason to conserve the land, "In memory of those who went before, and made sacrifices to keep the farm going." The Conservation Commission thanks the Shost Family for this conservation project.

The Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee are here to assist you. If you have any concerns or interest in land protection or preservation, please contact the Goffstown Town Hall and they will direct you to one of our volunteers or contact any member of the Commission.

Milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant has entered both Glen Lake and Namaske Lake with vengeance. Goffstown community associations have been formed to establish programs to control the spread of the milfoil. The Conservation Commission is in support of these efforts. The program

includes community education, herbicide treatments, and constant prevention monitoring of the lakes to eliminate new introduction of the milfoil plant.

Please support these efforts on the ballot!

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Walker, Chairman

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



*Seated L-R: Charlie Tentas, Vice Chair; Stephen Langley, Chairman; and Mark Lemay, Selectmen's Rep.
Standing L-R: Andrew Cadorette; Tim Redmond; Derek Horne, Town Administrator's Rep.;
Members not present in photo: Bryan Fournier; Chris Nadeau, Planning Board Rep.;
Cheryl Anderson; Catherine Whooten, alternate; Jo Ann Duffy, alternate.*

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION & HERITAGE COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Phil D'Avanza, Vice Chair; Ruth Gage, Chair; Mary Sullivan, Recording Secretary.
Standing L-R: Lionel Coulon Corresponding Sec.; Mark Collins; Mark Lemay, Selectmen Rep.;
Members not present in the photo: Rodney Stark, alternate; Elizabeth Dubrulle, alternate.*

PLANNING BOARD



*Seated L-R: Kimberly Peace; Barbara Griffin, Chairman; Gail Labrecque, Recording Sec.
Standing L-R: James Raymond; Michael Conlon, alternate; Tim Redmond;
Collis Adams, Selectmen Rep.*

Members not present in photo: Phil D'Avanza, Vice Chair; Chris Nadeau; Donna L. Pinard, alt.

As was the case last year, the Planning Board had fewer applications than in prior years which fact is attributed to the national and regional economic downturn. This has been the trend for the past five years so it has become the new normal level of activity. There are still many approved subdivisions and site plans for residential and non-residential developments that have yet to be built. Additionally, there is an existing inventory of buildable house lots yet to be developed. The Planning board has seen applications for new buildings and projects, several small subdivisions, and time extension requests of previously approved projects.

This past year, a few new projects were proposed and approved. Goffstown welcomed OPUS Designer Cosigners, LLC, a retail specialty shop that relocated from the City of Manchester to Goffstown, to accommodate their much needed growing space. This business will occupy an existing 9,600 sq. ft. barn that is attached to a single family home on Daniel Plummer Road. Also a new business locating to Daniel Plummer road, is Landscape Plus. This is a landscaping retail business along with a small engineer repair business. The business will repurpose an existing single family home and add two additions, to create a 4,036 sq. ft. building for the business and shop to occupy. Additionally, NH Steel, a steel fabrication business off of Lamy Drive, was approved to add a 5,152.5 sq. ft. addition to accommodate their business growth.

Along with a few other business expansions, the Planning Board this year also reviewed and approved a few small subdivisions and lot line adjustments, as well as a few time extension requests for some already approved projects. Most applicants cited the poor economy and inability to obtain financing as the reasons for more time the time needed to begin their projects. All time extension requests were granted.

Every year, the Planning Board oversees the organization and approval of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) and the recommendation of the proposed CIP matrix to the Selectmen and the Budget Committee for inclusion in the Town's budget. This occurred again, with the Committee meeting over the summer months so that recommendations were available to be considered in the fall budget process.

The Planning Board is looking forward to beginning a new project to update the Goffstown Master Plan. In consideration of applications both before the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the members agree that sections of the Master Plan need to be updated. While this did not make it through the budget to begin in 2015, the Board reevaluated its needs and put forth a reduced proposal through the CIP process and remains hopeful that it will be approved as part of the budget in 2016 and that the Town will be able to begin this important undertaking soon.

The Planning Board wishes to thank the citizens and town staff that put forth effort to participate in the Planning Board meetings and in the planning process. Each member of this Planning Board has unique experience and abilities that they willingly share during consideration of every project that comes before the Board.

Planning Department staff is available for assistance and to answer questions relative to land use and development. Our public meetings are regularly scheduled for the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. We welcome your attendance and participation. Your Planning Board continues to work toward the needs of our community for today and the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Griffin, Chair

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission's staff designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance mandated by New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which pertain more exclusively to a specific community.



Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of the Planning Board and/or Board of Selectmen. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects of common interest and benefit to all member communities; keeps officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation; and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association, offers annual training workshops for Planning Board and Zoning Board members.

Services performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year are as follows. Hours listed represent work for the Town only; in projects involving multiple municipalities the total hours spent by SNHPC staff is higher. For example, 36 hours were spent by SNHPC staff working on the Planner's Roundtable Brown Bag Sessions for the 15 municipalities in the region; equally dividing the total hours results in 2.4 hours of benefits that can be attributed to the Town.

No.	Hours	Project Description	
1.	90	Conducted traffic counts at 27 locations in and forwarded traffic data to the Town;	
2.	80	Worked with town residents, volunteers and a solar installer to organize and implement Solar Up NH within the community. The program successfully helped 24 town residents obtain discount pricing for residential solar installations.	
3.	80	Assisted NH Geological Survey in conducting a Fluvial Erosion Hazard Assessment of the Piscataquog River and Update to the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). The HMP is designed to have in place a strategy to reduce the severity of harmful consequences derived from natural and man-made events.	
4.	20	Obtained funding and selected a consultant to prepare a Culvert Prioritization Model designed to assist the town in identifying and prioritizing future culvert replacements located within the Piscataquog Watershed.	
5.	15	Presented and assisted Planning Board in adopting "ReadySetGo!", which strives to promote economic growth and development in participating communities.	
6.	13	Updated ITS Architecture for the Southern NH Planning Commission;	
7.	12	Provided staff support to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council: led correspondence efforts, organized meetings, recorded minutes, and assisted in the search for grant opportunities;	
8.	10	Provided monthly information to the Planning Board regarding upcoming meetings, project and grant updates, webinars and other training opportunities through SNHPC's quarterly Newsletters, monthly Media Blasts and periodic E-Bulletins;	
9.	8	Provided technical assistance and facilitation to resolve contract issues on the Goffstown Rail Trail with NH DOT.	
10.	5	Provided technical assistance and facilitation with the Mutual Sharing Committee and established a regional electric purchasing cooperative with several municipalities and school districts in the SNHPC Region. The combined savings for the first year will be \$287,462, or 24.4 percent. In addition to the significant savings, the majority of participants will be using at least 20 percent green energy;	
11.	4	Represented the interests of the Town on the Region 8 Regional Coordination Council for the Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services Project;	

No.	Hours	Project Description
12.	2	Provided staff assistance to Statewide Coordinating Council for Community Transportation (SCC);
13.	3	Participated on the NH BPTAC (Bike-Ped Transportation Advisory Committee) Counting Subcommittee, preparing a statewide counting plan and conducting the inaugural counts using shared automated counting equipment.
14.	2.6	Provided an opportunity for all SNHPC communities to participate in a unique project that studies various aspects of complete streets along with the opportunity to participate in a corresponding pilot policy project. Project to be completed in 2016;
15.	2.6	Applied for and awarded a competitive US EPA funded Community Wide Brownfields Assessment Grant to be implemented in the region in 2016.
16.	2.4	Our Planner's Roundtable Brown-Bag Sessions provided multiple opportunities for community staff, volunteer commissioners, and other community stakeholders to come together and discuss "hot topics", participate in webinars, and attend multiple planning and land-use related events throughout the year.
17.	2	Organized and facilitated a Legislative Event for NH Legislators and local officials in the SNHPC region. This year's topic was Growing the High Tech Corridor;
18.	0.5	Provided a training opportunity for planning staff and land-use board volunteers to improve plan reading and analytic skills through a site plan review workshop;

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission

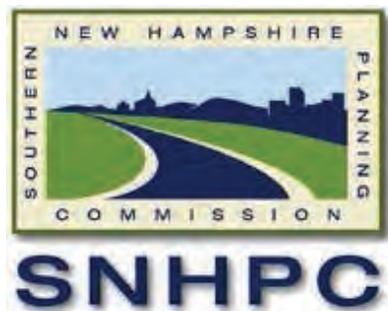
Henry C. Boyle

David Pierce

Barbara Griffin

Jo Ann Duffy, Alternate

Executive Committee Member: David Pierce



RAIL TRAIL COMMITTEE

The Goffstown Rail Trail follows the former Boston & Maine railroad corridor. It runs 5.5-miles from the Piscataquog River in Goffstown Village, through Grasmere and Pinardville, to the Manchester city line. The trail is intended for pedestrians, bicyclists, and in season, cross-country skiers and snow-shoers. Even though some stretches are presently unimproved, the trail is very useable. A map of the trail is available on the town's web site under the link labeled "Maps."

The same railroad corridor continues another 2.1-miles into Manchester and ends after crossing the Merrimack River. Manchester completed its trail construction in 2015 with the installation of the Irving and Bernice Singer Pedestrian Bridge over the Piscataquog River at Kelly Falls. This new bridge now allows trail users from Manchester and beyond to easily reach Goffstown Village. Shop owners in the village already report having customers, who have made Goffstown their "destination."

In 2015 we saw the completion of 0.59 miles of trail in Goffstown. Funded by a 2010 Federal Transportation Enhancement grant, this project installed crosswalks at three locations (two on Route 114 and one on Henry Bridge Road) and carried the trail, at grade, through a deep gully at the former Henry Bridge Road. Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons, installed at the Mast Road crossing sites, are the third such sets of traffic lights in all of New Hampshire. The "solid red" cycle on these traffic lights is only a few seconds long before beginning a slightly longer cycle of "flashing red" during which a vehicle driver, after initially stopping, may proceed if the travel lane is clear.

Trail construction in Goffstown has been dependent upon awards of grants managed by either the NH Trails Bureau or the NH Department of Transportation. Using such grants, 49 percent of the trail surface in Goffstown has been improved to specification standards approved by the town in 2008. A grant application prepared by the Friends of the Goffstown Rail Trail, seeking 2015 funding, was not approved by the Select Board. The Board wanted the proposal to define a greater reliance upon donated material and services; however, there was insufficient time available to negotiate such agreements before the grant application submission deadline.

Respectfully submitted,
David Pierce, Chair, Goffstown Rail Trail Committee

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST



L-R: Al Desruisseaux; Denise Lemay, Chair; Victoria Lemire.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT



*Seated L-R: Jo Ann Duffy, Chair; Emily Sandblade, alternate;
Gail Labrecque, Vice Chair and Clerk.
Standing L-R: Leonard Stuart, alternate; Alan Yeaton.
Members not present in photo: Catherine Whooten; Jeffrey A. Coventry, alternate*

The New Hampshire legislation provides that planning, zoning, and related regulation have been and should be the responsibility of municipal governments as stated in RSA 674.18, “The local legislative body may adopt a zoning ordinance under RSA 674:16 only after the planning board has adopted the mandatory sections of the master plan as described in RSA 674:2, I and II.” The purposes of the zoning ordinance (RSA 674:17) are: (a) To lessen congestions in streets; (b) To secure safety from fires, panic and other dangers; (c) To promote health and general welfare; (d) To provide adequate light and air; (e) To prevent the overcrowding of land; (f) To avoid undue concentration of population; (g) To facilitate the adequate provisions of transportation, solid waste facilities, water, sewerage, schools, parks, child day care; (h) To assure proper use of natural resources and other public requirements; (i) To encourage the preservation of agricultural lands and buildings; and (j) To encourage the installation and use of solar, wind or other renewable energy systems and protect access to energy sources by the regulation of orientation of streets, lots, and buildings.

On March 14, 1961 the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance was adopted and the members to the Goffstown ZBA were appointed in accordance with NH RSA 673:3 to hear requests for variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers of dimensional requirements, and appeals from decisions made by the Code Enforcement Officer, the Planning Board, and the Historic District Commission as they relate to application of Zoning Ordinance. On March 8, 2005 Goffstown voted to change from an appointed ZBA membership to and elected ZBA membership beginning in 2006, with members serving an elected three-year term.

In 2015 the Goffstown ZBA heard 56 appeals and considered 3 requests for rehearing and 3 hearings for appeals from an administrative decision. The majority of variances and

special exceptions requested in 2015 dealt with issues of setback requirements, lot size/frontage requirements, duplex and accessory dwelling units, signage, etc.

During the past year, the Town voters reelected JoAnn Duffy and Cathy Champagne as full members of the board, both for a three-year term. The Board has also appointed a new alternate to the Board – Leonard Stuart, who has previously served on the Board in the past. The Board has regretfully recently lost the service of Cathy Champagne, a regular member, who we thank for her service to the Town.

The ZBA meets regularly on the 1st Tuesday of each month. The Board welcomes any participation from those persons affected by proposed applications and also welcomes any additional help that citizens of Goffstown could provide in becoming new alternates and serving on the Board.

SEWER COMMISSION REPORT

2015 was an active year; the largest project was the sewer main replacement on Glenridge and Elmwood Avenues in the Pinardville area during the summer. The Goffstown Sewer Commission (GSC) wishes to thank the abutting property owners and the public for their amazing patience during construction of this critical municipal sewer line.

The Goffstown Department of Public Works (DPW) Sewer Maintenance Division and Engineering Division conducted operations including:

- Duke Root Control completed the 2015 root treatment of 4,608 linear feet of sewer main; Sewer Main Tap Cut and CCTV inspection was performed on Eden Street and Pinehill Avenue. Eastern Pipe Service installed a short pipeliner on Foch Street.
- 25 vertical feet of a Riverview Park sewer manhole was rehabilitated.
- The Moose Club Park pump station was completely re-sided.
- DPW cleaned 45,409 linear feet of sewer main.
- DPW responded to 8 sewer blockages.

The sewer collection system rehabilitation will continue in the summer of 2016 and consist of sewer main extensions and replacement, pipelining, and sewer manholes in the Pinardville Area in accordance with the town road plan.

The Sewer Commission submitted the 2014 Collection System O & M Plan Annual Report, which was approved by the NH Department of Environmental Services and the Environmental Protection Agency; this annual report is mandated by both departments.

The condition of the four pump stations, assessed by consultant Hoyle, Tanner & Associates (HTA), was completed this year. The study and report revealed the East Union and Elm Street Pump Stations will require upgrades, to be implemented by the Sewer maintenance division.

The GSC is a stakeholder in the Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant (MWWTP), where our municipal wastewater stream is treated and discharged. This facility is approximately forty years old and in need of serious upgrades to the grit removal process and the aeration tank upgrade, among others. The GSC is one of three towns required to share the cost. These upgrades will ensure the system functions smoothly and treatment of Goffstown's wastewater stream is maintained.

And last, but not least, the Sewer Commission said goodbye to one of its longest serving Commissioners, James Bouchard. Jim served from 1996 to 2015 but relocated to another NH town in September. Robert Trzepacz was sworn in to fill the vacancy through the March 2016 Town Meeting.

The Commissioners note that we cannot do this alone and would like to thank Ellen Noyes, our Administrative Assistant, and Mike Yergeau, Mike Walton and Meghan Theriault of the DPW for all the assistance they provide daily.

Respectfully submitted,
 Stephen R. Crean, Chairman
 Catherine Whooten, Commissioner
 Robert Trzepacz, Commissioner

SEWER COMMISSION 2016 BUDGET

REVENUE

	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUALS UNAUDITED	2016 BUDGET
SEWER ADMINISTRATION			
Tax Interest & Penalties	35,000	17,018	10,000
Interest on Investments	2,600	3,781	2,700
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,000	2	1,500
Budget. Use of Ret. Earnings	59,004	-	128,079
Water Pollution Grant	9,983	-	9,983
Subtotal	\$107,587	\$20,801	\$152,262
 SEWER OPERATIONS			
Sewer Use Charges	1,447,300	1,420,795	1,424,000
Accessibility Revenue	40,000	20,000	30,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	-	840	-
Subtotal	\$1,487,300	\$1,441,635	\$1,454,000
 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND TOTAL	 \$1,594,887	 \$1,462,436	 \$1,606,262

EXPENDITURES

SEWER ADMINISTRATION	2015 BUDGET	2015 ACTUALS UNAUDITED	2016 BUDGET
Wages & Benefits	74,571	75,601	98,897
Employee Development	100	-	100
Auditing Services	5,750	5,750	6,000
Legal Services	12,500	1,494	5,000
Banking Services	2,000	1,392	2,000
Office Supplies	1,500	1,163	2,500
Postage	7,500	6,108	8,000
Computers & Comm.	54,027	4,512	15,000
Telecommunications	600	-	600
Debt Service Principal	182,515	182,515	184,343
Debt Service Interest	19,496	19,495	17,295
Property Insurance	3,300	5,153	3,300
Subtotal \$	363,859 \$	303,183 \$	343,035
SEWER OPERATIONS			
Wages & Benefits	92,403	137,505	78,676
Clothing & Uniforms	3,000	640	500
Consulting Services	5,000	22,246	10,000
Equipment-Maintenance	4,000	-	4,000
Facility Repairs	235,000	375,439	300,000
Vaccon Expense	17,000	-	17,000
Manchester O&M Charges	755,000	524,740	700,000
Subtotal \$	1,111,403 \$	1,060,570 \$	1,110,176
SEWER PUMP STATION			
Contracted Services	6,200	8,915	10,000
Operating Supplies	8,900	3,444	7,900
Electricity	21,000	16,071	21,000
Propane	3,000	2,512	3,000
Water	900	621	900
Telecommunications	2,000	1,778	2,000
Hazardous Materials	0	0	1,000
Wet Well Maint.	0	0	1
Solid Waste Disposal	1	1,000	0
Chemical Expenses	750	0	750
Diesel Fuel	5,000	4,237	6,500
Equipment Repairs	25,000	6,222	100,000
Subtotal \$	72,751 \$	44,800 \$	153,051
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND TOTAL	1,548,013 \$	1,408,553 \$	1,606,262

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT



*L-R: Richard Fletcher; Raymond Taber; Henry Boyle; Allen Gamans, Jr., Chairman
Member not present in photo: Richard Coughlin*

COMMISSIONERS

Budget Matters, Work in Progress, Bill Payments, Items needing attention, and Safety Considerations are covered at the monthly Commissioners Board meetings. These are held at the GVWP building on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. The Public is invited to attend..

GENERAL OPERATIONS

Over 7,000,000 gallons of water from our Reservoir Ponds and our Wells is provided each month to the customer base. This is backed up by an “Emergency” tank that holds a half million gallons that is ready if needed. Over 100 water samples are submitted to the State each year for testing and to learn about our water supply. We have an active hydrant flushing practice, and monitor the back flow prevention devices on water meters. We have a separate operation at Mountain Laurel Estates where we provide water to the residents from a well. A distressful four day power outage shut off all water there and after review, a high capacity diesel mobile generator was purchased to avoid another problem. We were able to obtain a “Grant” to cover part of the \$60,000 cost. This will also work with the septic systems on the homes which is also our responsibility there. Another water pumping station is on Tyler Drive to serve that area and a nearby development under consideration. There are several potential home developments and our planning for water sources is active.

Extreme cold weather in March caused over 30 service lines to freeze when the frost level reached over five feet deep. We obtained equipment to thaw pipes safely. Some temporary lines were used. Attention was directed to paving work plans for Pleasant Street and New Boston Road. Coordination with the Department of Public Works saves on the cost, time schedule of the work phases, and allows needed replacement of water mains with road surfacing.

ANNUAL MEETING GVWP

This was held March 16, 2015 at our office. Elected were Marlene Gamans, Moderator, Linda Naughton, Clerk, and Arline Fletcher, Treasurer. Allen Gamans was elected to the Board for a five year term. All have been sworn in to serve. The Annual Budget (Funds paid by Subscribers for water service) was approved as posted and a review of schedules. Lee Minnich the Work Supervisor, Mike Demers the field Assistant, and Linda Naughton clerk of the Board and Office Manager were commended for excellence in carrying out their duties.

SPECIAL DATA

Several hundred acres are cared for to maintain quality water service. Contacts have been made in response to loose animals around the reservoirs, fire pits, damage by off road vehicles trespassing and bridges or signs posted on private land. The rules must be observed. Requests for special events are handled quickly. Several projects include arranging for generator connections at Mountain Laurel Estates homes, completion of new piping on New Boston Road, Equipment updates at the wells and filtration plant, replacing some older hydrants and a review of need for leak detection devices are a few of the items being handled.

Our Filtration Plant mortgage has been paid in full and this fund amount will now be used for water main work and Capitol improvements. The Budget this year is a little lower than last year and still reflects Improvements for 2016.

WEB SITE

More data regarding the Goffstown Village Water Precinct can be obtained from our website www.goffstownvillageprecinct.com

Respectfully Submitted,

Allen Gamans, Jr., Chairman (2020)

Raymond Taber (2016)

Richard Coughlin (2017)

Henry Boyle(2018)

Richard Fletcher (2019)

**WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 21, 2016**

To the inhabitants of the Goffstown Village Precinct qualified to vote on Precinct affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at the Goffstown Village Precinct office in said Goffstown, in said Precinct, on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:00 in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year, including a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.

ARTICLE II

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the 2016 Budget as proposed by the Board of Commissioner and approved by the Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Thirteen Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy- Two dollars (\$613,272.00) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV

To hear the report of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE V

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 12th day of January, 2016.

Allen D. Gamans, 2020

Henry C. Boyle, 2018

Raymond Taber, 2016

Richard Fletcher, 2019

Richard Coughlin, 2017

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2016 BUDGET

EXPENSES

	Budget 2015	YTD 2015	Budget 2016
4130 Executive	\$ 157,297.00	\$ 150,823.64	\$ 160,443.00
Salaries	157,297.00	150,823.64	160,443.00
4150 Financial Adm	\$ 9,390.00	\$ 7,955.77	\$ 9,040.00
Audit	3,500.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
Business supplies	2,400.00	3,022.31	2,400.00
Office equipment	3,000.00	700.00	2,400.00
Personnel supplies	400.00	395.96	400.00
Safety Deposit box	90.00	87.50	90.00
4150 Personnel Adm	\$ 91,117.00	\$ 90,714.11	\$ 96,030.00
fica	12,033.00	11,510.02	12,274.00
health ins	63,284.00	64,511.52	66,500.00
w/c ins	2,554.00	1,378.53	2,756.00
retirement fund	12,746.00	12,814.04	14,000.00
unemp. Ins	500.00	500.00	500.00
4194 Building maintainance	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,870.06	\$ 3,000.00
Office	1,000.00	1,952.02	1,000.00
filtration plant	1,000.00	1,327.55	1,000.00
wells and tank	1,000.00	1,590.49	1,000.00
4196 General insurance	\$ 4,563.00	\$ 4,583.74	\$ 4,564.00
Libility/prop/auto	4,363.00	4,383.74	4,364.00
Bond	200.00	200.00	200.00
4153 Legal	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00
4197 Advertising/assoc.	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 4,182.20	\$ 3,600.00
Advertising/assoc.	500.00		500.00
Assn dues	500.00	1,380.00	500.00
License fees	2,000.00	2,467.20	2,000.00
Meeting expense	600.00	335.00	600.00
4199 Other General Govt	\$ 24,595.00	\$ 23,057.62	\$ 24,595.00
Vehicle expense	9,000.00	7,810.55	9,000.00
Office elec/heat	5,000.00	4,396.46	5,000.00
Telephone/internet	4,800.00	5,019.81	4,800.00
Postage	3,400.00	4,193.30	3,400.00
computer support	895.00	895.00	895.00
Forestry			
Engineering	1,500.00	742.50	1,500.00

Goffstown Village Water Precinct 2016 Budget

EXPENSES cont.			
	Budget 2015	YTD 2015	Budget 2016
4332 Water Services	\$ 25,500.00	\$ 17,835.47	\$ 25,500.00
Contract labor	4,000.00	2,190.00	4,000.00
hydrant repairs	3,000.00	5,209.95	3,000.00
dam repairs	6,000.00		6,000.00
service repairs	6,000.00	5,725.87	6,000.00
main repairs	1,000.00	2,076.26	1,000.00
meter repairs	200.00		200.00
pump rePairs	1,500.00		1,500.00
Equipment repairs	1,000.00	240.98	1,000.00
Road repairs	500.00		500.00
4335 New services	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 344.95	\$ 2,000.00
Thawing	300.00	2,047.46	300.00
Water Treatment	66,600.00	70,516.60	66,600.00
Chemicals	10,000.00	13,779.39	10,000.00
Electric	28,000.00	32,342.78	28,000.00
Heat	6,000.00	4,925.11	6,000.00
Glenview exp	3,600.00	4,064.20	3,600.00
Supplies	3,000.00	1,393.42	3,000.00
4326 Water tests	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,083.00	\$ 4,000.00
4711 Mtn Laurel water	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 10,928.70	\$ 12,000.00
Sewage Mtn Laurel	15,000.00	15,798.36	15,000.00
Debt Service	63,675.00	63,375.00	-
4901 Bond principal	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	
Bond interest	3,675.00	3,375.00	
Capital Outlay/Improv	212,000.00	174,289.87	176,000.00
Contingency fund	10,000.00	3,000.00	10,000.00
Capital replacement	10,000.00		10,000.00
4902 Main/sytem upgrades	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 157,689.87	\$ 156,000.00
Building improve	17,000.00	13,600.00	
Mach/Equipment	16,800.00	38,692.17	16,800.00
House meters	12,800.00	5,120.00	12,800.00
4915 New Equipment	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 33,572.17	\$ 4,000.00
New Vehicle			
Operating tranfers out	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00
Septic	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00
Vehicle			
trans to savings			
TOTAL	\$ 705,237.00	\$ 677,294.61	\$ 613,272.00

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2016 BUDGET

REVENUES			
	Budget 2015	YTD 2015	Budget 2016
3402 Water Charge	\$516,790.00	\$499,999.85	\$516,790.00
metered water	358,190.00	342,262.01	358,190.00
flat rate	100,200.00	99,337.84	100,200.00
hydrants	58,400.00	58,400.00	58,400.00
3409 Other	\$80,176.00	\$78,879.52	\$83,776.00
booster station	4,776.00	4,894.15	4,776.00
thawing	350.00	2,082.50	350.00
forestry			
hydrant repair	2,900.00		2,900.00
new services	8,000.00	1,614.00	8,000.00
o/off	300.00	525.00	300.00
service repair	2,500.00	1,482.80	2,500.00
meter repair	150.00	420.00	150.00
backflow tests	2,000.00	5,115.00	2,600.00
Mtn Laurel water	26,600.00	24,751.26	26,600.00
Mtn Laurel septic	27,600.00	28,151.43	27,600.00
pool fill	500.00	600.00	500.00
engineering			
misc	4,500.00	9,243.38	7,500.00
3502 Savings Interest	\$500.00	\$350.39	\$500.00
3351 Shared Revenue	\$18,506.00	\$40,860.25	
SUBTOTAL	\$615,972.00	\$620,090.01	\$601,066.00
3913 Sav. Transfer vehicle			
Sav, transfer general	89,265.00	57,204.50	12,206.00
Sav. Transfer septic			
TOTAL	\$705,237.00	\$677,294.61	\$613,272.00

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING March 15, 2016

To the members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, in the county of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, you are hereby notified to meet in the Grasmere Town Hall in the Village of Grasmere at seven (7) o'clock on the evening of March 15, 2016 to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE #1 To choose a Commissioner for the years 2016 - 2019.

ARTICLE #2 To choose a Moderator for the year 2016.

ARTICLE #3 To choose a Clerk for the year 2016.

ARTICLE #4 To choose a Treasurer for the year 2016.

ARTICLE #5 To see if the Village Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of Two Hundred and Six Thousand, One Hundred and One Dollar (\$206,101) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE #6 To hear the reports of the Treasurer and Clerk for the year 2015.

ARTICLE #7 To act upon any unfinished business from the previous meeting.

ARTICLE #8 To discuss and act upon any unfinished business which may rightfully come before said meeting.

This is the Precinct's annual meeting and it is hoped that all members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will attend and support the Precinct.

Given this February 2, 2016 under our hands:

Christine Daniels, Commissioner

Raymond St. Pierre, Commissioner

Earl Wajenberg, Commissioner

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2016 BUDGET

EXPENSES

	2015 Budget	2015 Expenses	2016 Budget
EXECUTIVE	\$ 58,922.07	\$ 60,527.04	\$ 62,151.34
SALARIES	57,522.07	59,122.04	60,751.34
MILEAGE	1,400.00	1,405.00	1,400.00
FIN. ADMIN	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 6,107.75	\$ 7,450.00
AUDIT	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,250.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,400.00	338.75	1,400.00
POSTAGE	800.00	769.00	800.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00
	200.00	0.00	200.00
INSURANCE	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,424.66	\$ 2,500.00
LIABILITY/PROPERTY/WC	2,500.00	2,424.66	2,500.00
LEGAL	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,000.00
		0.00	
ADV./REG. ASSOC	\$ 700.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 700.00
TRAINING	500.00	50.00	500.00
ASS. FEE	200.00	50.00	200.00
OTHER GEN/GOV	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 4,736.06	\$ 5,800.00
COMMUNICIATION	1,600.00	1,814.51	1,900.00
ELECTRIC	4,200.00	2,921.55	4,200.00
WATER SERVICES	\$ 126,000.00	\$ 98,543.79	\$ 126,000.00
MANCHESTER WW	100,000.00	87,233.92	100,000.00
SERVICE REPAIRS	1,500.00	1,140.32	1,500.00
CONTRACT LABOR	13,000.00	4,325.00	13,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIRS	1,000.00	125.00	1,000.00
NEW SERVICES	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
WATER TESTS	2,500.00	1,142.00	2,500.00
MAINT. SUPPLIES	1,000.00	19.65	1,000.00
HYDRANT REPL	4,000.00	4,557.90	4,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 202,322.07	\$ 172,439.30	\$ 202,322.07

**GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT
2016 BUDGET**

	REVENUE		
	2015 Budget	2015 Revenue	2016 Budget
WATER CHARGE	\$ 194,322.07	\$ 193,361.04	\$ 198,101.34
WATER	175,177.72	174,196.33	178,956.99
FIRE PROTECTION			
HYDRANT RENTAL	19,144.35	19,144.35	19,144.35
MISC		20.36	
OTHER	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 8,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIR			
SERVICE REPAIR			
ON/OFF			
NEW SERVICE	4,000.00		4,000.00
METER REPAIR			
SERVICE CONTRACT	2,500.00		2,500.00
BACK FLOW TESTING	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
LGC REFUND			
SUB TOTAL	\$ 202,322.07	\$ 194,861.04	\$ 206,101.34
TRANSFER FROM FUND BALANCE			
TOTAL	\$ 202,322.07	\$ 194,861.04	\$ 206,101.34

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN OFFICIAL BALLOT MARCH 8, 2016

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*
David Pierce
Allen Brown
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Four*
Michael T. Smith
Scott Gross
Dennis Lynch
Emily Sandblade
Write-In _____
Write-In _____
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 2 Years *Vote for not more than Two*
George Fullerton
Craig Campbell
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 1 Year *Vote for not more than One*
Karl Soderquist
Write-In _____

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Jean Walker
Write-In _____

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

For 2 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Dennis Sweeney
Write-In _____

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*
Suzanne Riel
Aimee Huntemann
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

For 1 Year *Vote for not more than One*
Janet Soderquist
Steven P. Bouchard
Karen Hewes
Gary Meehan
Write-In _____

PLANNING BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*
Barbara Griffin
Michael Conlon
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

SEWER COMMISSION

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Timothy Redmond
Write-In _____

SEWER COMMISSION

For 2 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Robert Trzepacz
Write-In _____

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

For 6 Years Vote for not more than One

Victoria Lemire
Write-In _____

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

For 3 Years Vote for not more than One

Bill Tucker
Write-In _____

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

For 2 Years Vote for not more than One

Al Desruisseaux
Write-In _____

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For 3 Years Vote for not more than Two

Emily Sandblade
Gail Labrecque
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

TOWN MODERATOR

For 2 Years Vote for not more than One

Rodney L. Stark
Write-In _____

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the Glossary by changing the definitions of “ Dwelling ” and “ Manufactured Home ,” and by adding the following new terms: “ Dwelling, Accessory ,” “ Dwelling, Single Family ,” “ Modular Housing ,” and “ Pre-site Built Housing ” as shown on the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

*Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.*

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by adding “ Conversion of Single Family Dwelling to Duplex ” as a new principal use under Section 3.11, Table A – for Residential uses, listing it as a use permitted by Special Exception in the Agricultural, Residential-1, and Residential-2 Districts and as a use permitted by right in the Residential Small Business Office-1, Residential Small Business Office-2, and Village Commercial Districts and as a Use Not Permitted in all other districts?

*Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.*

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by moving the existing principal use “ Landscaping Contracting or similar Business ” from Section 3.11 Table J - the Agricultural Use Category, to Section 3.11 Table I – the “ Manufacturing, Construction and wholesale Trade ” category, and changing its status to be a use permitted by Special Exception in the Conservation Open Space and Agricultural district, and remaining the same in all other districts?

*Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.*

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the “maximum number of dwelling units per buildable acre for duplex and multi-family lots” portion of Section 4.3, Table of Dimensional Regulations,” in the Residential-1 and Residential-2 districts where both water and sewer exist so that the allowable density is on a sliding scale for lots smaller than or equal to 3 acres as detailed on the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.***

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending existing Section 4.4.1 – Dimensional Standards for Multi-family Dwellings by removing portions of that section and replacing them in new subsections 4.4.1.1 and 4.4.1.2 and by adding another new subsection 4.4.1.3 that states that “the side and rear minimum setbacks for multi-family structures shall be the greater of the underlying setback for that zone or the length of the building side most parallel to that lot line divided by two”? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.***

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending the following sections regarding signs: Section 6.3 and its subsections, Section 6.4.1, Section 6.5.2, Section 6.6.5, Section 6.8, and Section 6.12 to remove language that suggests that these sign regulations are content-based, and replace them with non-content based requirements as necessary, as detailed more fully in the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.***

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 7.5.2 – Construction of Fewer Parking Spaces, by removing and replacing language therein to a new subsection 7.5.2.1 and adding another new subsection 7.5.2.2, which allows for the Planning Board to consider submitted data from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) in determining whether or not a reduction in parking requirements can be allowed, as detailed in the full-text copy of the Proposed 2016 Planning Board Initiated Zoning Amendments document? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.***

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by adding the following sentence at the end of Section 9.1 – Manufactured Homes, that states: “Modular Housing and other Pre-Site Built Housing as defined in this Ordinance are not subject to the provisions of this Section.”? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 14.7.3 - Use of a Non-conforming lot, by adding a new subsection – 14.7.3.3 that states: “Accessory buildings not creating an additional dwelling unit and not part of the existing principal building on the lot that meet Section 14.7.3.2 shall not require a Special Exception.”? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance by amending Section 14.10 – Abandonment of a Non-conforming Use, by amending its subsection 14.10.3 to allow for the restoration to be within two years in the case of fire or other casualty instead of one year for the use to not be considered abandoned? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 12 as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “Shall the Town amend the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, which currently reads as follows:

6.6.4 In the Commercial (C) and Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) districts, one portable A-frame sign per business, not to exceed six (6) square feet of sign area per side, may be placed outside the business, within 10 feet of the building’s entry, while the business is open.

[Note: Any use of public property requires permission of the Board of Selectmen.]

by deleting the words “within 10 feet of the building’s entry” and replacing them with the words “and shall not be placed closer than 10 feet to any property line”?

Submitted by Petition.

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1-0.

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,300,000) (gross budget) for the renovation and expansion of Fire Station #18 (18 Church Street) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,300,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon? (3/5 ballot vote is required for passage.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-0.

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$19,839,912)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Five Hundred Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$19,516,267), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-0.

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighters of Goffstown, Local 3420, International Association of Firefighters, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2016	\$35,097
2017	\$33,181
2018	\$17,344

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Ninety Seven Dollars (\$35,097) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$280,000) to purchase the required harnesses and equipment for the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and a Jaws of Life? *This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$230,000) to purchase a replacement ambulance? *This sum to come from EMS Special Revenue Fund (established in 2006), and no amount to be raised by taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for Goffstown's Road Improvement Program? Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14 which has \$845,000 budgeted for reclamation, resurfacing and crack sealing of roads.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town raise and appropriate up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of helping to support Goffstown Waterways Association and Namaske Lake Association efforts to manage milfoil in the upper portion of the Piscataquog River, Glen Lake, and Namaske Lake? Passage of this article will direct the Selectmen to include funds for this purpose in future operating and default budgets for the Town of Goffstown. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 14.)*

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-0-0.

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town adopt RSA 41:9-a to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish and amend fees following the procedures outlined in said statute, such authority in effect until rescinded?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town urge that the next President and Congress fight big money politics and restore government of, by, and for the people by championing the We the People agenda:

1. Ban Super PACs and overturn Citizens United
2. Expose secret donors and require full transparency
3. Ban bribes from big-money lobbyists and government contractors
4. Establish small-donor, citizen-funded elections
5. End gerrymandering and modernize voter registration
6. Close loopholes and enforce campaign finance laws

The record of the vote on this article shall be public information.

Submitted by petition.

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICIAL BALLOT**

MARCH 8, 2016

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Three*

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|--------------------|--------------------------|
| John G. Stafford | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Reta Chaffee | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Daniel J. Cloutier | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Dian McCarthy | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Write-In _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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ARTICLE 2

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY NINE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$39,315,266.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY NINE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY TWO DOLLARS (\$39,196,162.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in any other warrant articles. This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

*The School Board Voted 8-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend*

ARTICLE 3**Goffstown Teachers, Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2016-2017	\$677,771
2017-2018	(\$237,912) Decrease
2018-2019	\$724,992

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$677,771.00) for the 2016-2017 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$18,480.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-ONE DOLLARS (\$659,291.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. The first year of the CBA will have no tax impact because the District will use the 2.5% contingency fund. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget.

*The School Board Voted 6-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 11-0-1 To Recommend*

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT



*Seated L-R: Reta Chaffee; Dian McCarthy, Chair; Jenelle O'Brien.
2nd Row L-R: Heather Trzepakz; Dan Cloutier; Lorry Cloutier; Ginny McKinnon.
Not Pictured: Steven Dutton, Vice Chair; Keith Allard; Amy Cruite, Teacher Representative;
Kathleen Sargent, Teacher Representative; and Jacob Borges, Student Representative*

Throughout 2015, the Goffstown School District continued its focus on advancing student learning through data-driven curriculum initiatives as well as on attracting and maintaining high-quality, educational professionals.

The Board and the Administration recognize that funding for our schools comes from almost exclusively a residential base and have consistently demonstrated creativity, innovation and frugality in running our school system. This year is no different.

Our students continue to achieve great things academically earning test scores that consistently rank them among the best of the best. Our students once again received statewide recognition in the subjects of art, music, math and science, and 1 earned the extraordinary distinction of being a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist. We are so proud of our students and all that they achieve every day!

After school, our student athletes performed well in their respective sports demonstrating teamwork, skill and sportsmanship, with many of our teams making it to playoffs, our Boys Varsity Lacrosse and Boys Varsity Football teams winning the State Championships and a Special Olympian competing in the World Games as part of Team USA 2015. Our student organizations continued their work developing leadership skills and through various drives, gave back to our community by donating non-perishable food items, pajamas, and books to name only a few. We commend the faculty and staff of SAU 19 whose expertise, professionalism, hard work and support is instrumental in these achievements.

Throughout the fall, the Board and Administration negotiated a new teacher contract with the Goffstown Education Association (GEA). Our people are one of our most valuable resources and the ability to attract and retain high-caliber employees is a top priority of ours. The expertise, professionalism and hard work of our staff is instrumental to the achievements of our students and we recognize and appreciate the impact our teachers have on our students' lives every single day. The District and the GEA have worked diligently this year to reach agreement on a contract and are pleased to present them to the voters on the upcoming March ballot.

Over the last few years, the Board has continued to explore options to meet the space needs within the District. While you won't see it on the March ballot, it is important to remember that our District continues to have concerns regarding space - particularly within our Elementary Schools and to a lesser extent Mountain View. Unlike other Districts in the state and despite Dunbarton's decision to leave the AREA Agreement as of June 30, 2014, our enrollment numbers have remained fairly consistent. The residential growth throughout our town over recent decades has resulted in both Maple Avenue and Bartlett Elementary schools significantly exceeding capacity. Each has utilized portables for more than a decade to manage their population-driven space constraints, as well as creatively converted every available nook including bathrooms and closets to office and learning spaces. The School Board and Administration joined with community members in developing a plan to address these issues and brought forth a Warrant Article for the renovation and expansion of both schools. This project, which was defeated in March 2013, would have provided sufficient space to bring all classrooms and libraries into the buildings, while also allowing for appropriate Unified Arts instructional spaces and offices. The Board continues to look for ways to meet these needs and will continue to look for the community's support in meeting the space needs of our students.

In closing, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Goffstown School Board for the countless hours they have worked together for the benefit of our town's students. I'd also like to thank our volunteers, parents, faculty and staff, community partners and community as a whole for their continued support of our schools. The education and success of our youth is indeed a group effort. We are lucky here in Goffstown to have the people we do coming together in support of our students. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Dian McCarthy, Chair
Goffstown School Board

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Brian Balke, Superintendent

I am most pleased and honored to present this 2014-2015 Superintendent of Schools report on behalf of School Administrative Unit #19.

The 2014-2015 school year was the first year in a new contract for the Goffstown Teachers. The voters of Goffstown approved a two year contract with the Goffstown Education Association. This approval was the first time the Goffstown community had voted on a teacher contract in 8 years. I offer my most sincere appreciation to the Goffstown community for their support of our public schools. We will continue to work hard to run schools that are student-focused, transparent and a good value to the tax payers of Goffstown.

New Boston Central School had administrative changes during the 2014-2015 school year. Tori Underwood was named Principal and Dr. Tim Stokes was named Assistant Principal. Also of note is that Carol Hulick retired at the end of the school year as the Special Education Facilitator. We thank Mrs. Hulick for her many years of service to the children of New Boston.

Last spring, approximately 1,450 Goffstown students in grades 3-8 and 11 participated in the new state-mandated assessment in English language arts/literacy (ELA) and mathematics known as Smarter Balanced. These online assessments replace the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP).

A review of the data shows that Goffstown and New Boston students have demonstrated strong performance scoring above or at the state percentages in both ELA and math for all grade levels. We understand the results to be a data point in time setting a new baseline from which progress can be measured moving forward. The focus of the Goffstown School District is providing high quality instruction to all of our students. We value active learning and student engagement. Our focus will continue to be on providing high quality instruction in all of our schools.

All SAU #19 schools continued to score well on 2014-2015 NECAP assessments and other assessment metrics. All of the schools in Goffstown and New Boston use student assessment data to track individual student progress as well as to evaluate the effectiveness of our curriculum and instructional programs. Glen Lake students showed improvement in reading and math scores. Bartlett and Maple Elementary schools showed an increase in the number of students performing in the proficient and proficient with distinction categories. The performance of Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) and Goffstown High School (GHS) students continues to be strong and above state averages. New Boston Central School's (NBCS) overall district performance was above the state average on the 2013-2014 NECAP assessments for both reading and math.

School safety remained the top priority during the 2014-2015 school year. An SAU-wide School Safety Team continued to meet monthly with Police and Fire Departments from Goffstown and New Boston. The Safety Team continued to focus on our Emergency Response Plan and conducted many training exercises. Additionally, security improvements were made to all schools in Goffstown and New Boston to increase the safety of our students and staff. The world has become an increasingly dangerous place; our schools need to be safe, secure, and ready to respond during a time of crisis.

As the regional, national and world-wide economies continued to struggle, schools in Goffstown and New Boston continued to provide a high-quality education at a low cost. Specifically, all SAU #19 schools have per-pupil costs well below the state average, teacher salaries that are below the state average and student assessment results that exceed the state averages. We are proud to offer a superior education at a reasonable and responsible cost. The educational return on investment remains high.

I remain grateful to our dedicated professional staff, support staff, and administrators for their tireless work. In addition, I would like to thank school board and budget committee/finance committee members who graciously give their time to the community. Lastly, I would like to thank the wonderful kids who walk through our doors every day. Schools in Goffstown and New Boston are strong, student-centered and focused on advancing student learning. It is my greatest honor to serve the communities of Goffstown and New Boston

Respectfully,

Brian Balke
Superintendent of Schools

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES DELIBERATIVE SESSION SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2015

Moderator James Raymond called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

School Board: Dian McCarthy, Chair; Reta Chaffee, Vice Chair; Ginny McKinnon; Dan Cloutier; Keith Allard (not in attendance); Steve Dutton; Ben Hampton; Jenelle O'Brien and Heather Trzepacz.

Budget Committee: Elizabeth Dubrulle, Chair; David Pierce; Pam Manney; David French; Joe Spoerl and Liz Mitchell.

School Administration: Brian Balke, Superintendent; Mary Claire Barry, Assistant Superintendent (not in attendance); Salina Millora, Special Education Director; Ray Labore, Business Administrator; Leslie Doster, Glen Lake School Principal; David Bousquet, Bartlett Elementary School Principal; Suzanne Pyszka, Maple Avenue Elementary School Principal; Wendy Hastings, MVMS Principal; Frank McBride, Goffstown High School Principal and Kate McGrath, Human Resources Director.

With me at the front table is Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk. Also present is Collis Adams, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Lou D'Allesandro, State Senator; Barbara Griffin and David Pierce, from the House of Representatives.

Thank you all for coming.

There were 56 registered voters present.

Moderator Raymond: This is the Goffstown School District Deliberative meeting. It's nice to see you all here. You are missing the warm up program to the pre-game program to the Super Bowl and the latest word on Tom Brady's cold. We are fortunate to have with us the GHS Chorus. I hope you will all attend the high school musical, Shrek, which is February 13, Shrek. 14, 14, 20 and 21.

In the old days we had a school meeting where we presented, debated, deliberated and voted. The Town adopted the Official Ballot Act several years ago, which separates the official voting. Election Day is in March and this meeting leaves the functions of presenting, deliberating and amending. If this meeting takes no action on a posted warrant article, it appears on the ballot as presented on the warrant article. There are numerous works of parliamentary procedure out there. We follow Raymond's rules, which are meant to be fair. If you wish to be heard, you have to wait to be recognized by the moderator. Come forward to the mikes. State your name. I will not permit any personal attacks. I will allow only one deflated football joke per speaker. If you want

to submit an amendment, you must come forward and get a form and submit it in writing. If you want to request a secret ballot, it has to be in writing and signed by five voters at the meeting. I will allow motions to reconsider orally. Once we have acted on an article, you may move to restrict reconsideration so it cannot come back later in the meeting. You should have a voter card. Please do not lose it. You should have your name on it. If we need a standing vote, we will need to see it. If we have a request for a written vote, please bring this up with you.

I am going to ask the School Board to make some presentations.

Dian McCarthy: We will be starting with the DreamKeeper Award and Cornerstone Award.

The Cornerstone Award is being presented to two recipients. The first is Andy Pyszka, eighth grade teacher teaching social studies. He is phenomenal. The work he does ignites the spark of the joy of learning. Every week he reports a new video of what is to come in the week ahead. Andy is a gifted teacher.

The second is Gary Girolimon, Tech Director. Over the years Gary has been a visionary in terms of developing our network and software products. We are very lucky to have Gary do this work for us. He recently helped us upgrade the internet schools at the high school; his skills got us a great deal. He works wonderfully with the vendors and interns. He has done an incredible job building and growing to allow for open access for students. It is an important component of our educational program.

The Dream Keeper Adam Award is being presented to Adam McCune. Adam is a visionary coordinator for GTV. His commitment to covering local meetings is unsurpassed. The meetings are also available through social media. Whoever chose to hire Adam made the right decision. It has had a positive effect in a short period of time. This is something that has been around for a while and in the last year it has had a positive impact on the community. His dedication and commitment to creating local content is absolutely unsurpassed. Viewers are able to get a close hand look at how the town is run and they are able to see what is happening in our schools.

If we have any outgoing school board members, we like to recognize their work. I'd like to introduce Reta Chaffee.

Reta Chaffee: It is my honor and pleasure to present this award to Dan Cloutier. He has served on the board for three years. He has served on numerous committees. Dan has served an important role on the board. He always asks thought provoking questions that has opened the dialogue to good discussion. He is the only one that can find errors in the minutes from the previous meeting. He is going to be missed. I think he has brought a lot to the committee and we wish him well. He has a lot of knowledge and expertise.

Moderator: I notice Clair Roulliard is now here, a member of the General Court.

We are going to bring forward the only Article. I will read it and then the Board will make a motion to bring it forward for discussion. Article 1 is for Election of Officers, which cannot be amended.

Article 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations busy special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose set forth therein, totaling FORTY MILLION ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$40,114,226.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be FORTY MILLION SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX DOLLARS (\$40,063,196.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required busy previous action of the Goffstown School District or busy law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend

D. McCarty moved, seconded by G. McKinnon to move forward Article 2.

D. McCarthy: Article 2 is the operating budget for the 2015/16 school year. This year the proposed budget is \$40,114,226.00. This was recommended by the Budget Committee on a vote of 12-0-0. I want to recognize the Budget Committee. There was good discussion. The default budget this year is \$40,063,196.00. The calculation is dictated by Statute. Essentially, it is last year's operating budget plus contractual obligations less one time expenses. Priorities include maintaining current programming, teaching and learning, safety, special education, facilities and low spending.

Before the budget got to you it has gone through a very long process. About \$1.8 million was cut from the original proposal.

We are very cognizant of the fact that a great deal of our budget is paid for through local property taxes. We also get monies from State taxes, adequacy aid, catastrophic aid, food service, medicaid, tuition, building aid, CBA Reserve and other smaller sources. The tuition is about \$200,000 less this year than last year.

We are looking at a tax impact of \$1.51 per thousand. The district runs five schools. We are educating about 2823 students from pre-K through grade 12. There is a decrease of 19 students since June 20, 2014. MVMS is up four students. Bartlett up five, Maple up 20. Glen Lake down 10 and there is a decrease of 38 at GHS. We are proposing an update in the GHS math curriculum. This is a very high priority. The last major update was in 2007. They are no longer in alignment with the content or the instructional approaches. The curriculum at MVMS has been updated and the students get into the high school and the curriculum is now outdated. We do have a few smaller things; five coach stipends, two for JV LaCrosse. One for a track coach at MVMS, which has a high participation rate. Two B teams of baseball and softball at MVMS. There is also money for technology. Currently, we have laptops that the students use for instruction and assessment purposes. They are older and many of them are not working the way they need to work. We

also have money to complete updating the security cameras at Maple Avenue Elementary School. About four years ago, the State changed what the State pays toward retirement. This has shifted down to the local level. SAU assessment has changed by going from three schools to two. We are also responsible for funding Charter Schools if a resident attends one. Goffstown School District's cost per pupil is normally one of the lowest in the State. We also spend significantly less on cost per pupil on the towns we keep company with. Our average teachers' salary is also below the State average. We want to be able to attract new and talented staff. NECAP Science scores, Goffstown is in third place. NECAP writing scores are very high. NECAP reading is also very high, as well as NECAP math. SAT Scores are also increasing and are above the National level. We are asking for a proposed budget that is \$51,000 above the default number. Our students are doing very well. Strong schools support a strong community. Strong schools are good for our children and strong children make strong families, which make for a strong community.

Moderator Raymond asked for comments or questions. Seeing none, I will close the discussion on Article 2 and it will appear on the ballot as presented. There is nothing formal for us to do at this meeting. I would like to introduce Senator D'Allesandro.

Senator Lou D'Allesandro: I thought the presentation was outstanding. I have had the opportunity to visit all of the schools in Goffstown. I am totally impressed by the Goffstown Schools and am totally impressed by the scores. You have a wonderful Superintendent, Principals and staff. We have quality education in Goffstown and people should be extremely proud of that. The Charter Schools get an additional stipend from the Adequacy Grant because their schools are leased. I think there are a number of bills in the Legislature at this time regarding the Adequacy Grant. I try to follow those for you. The law that is in place right now, says the funding source will continue until there is a change in the law. The only way it can be changed if there is a new bill and it passes and becomes law. The Governor will make a budget presentation on February 12. The budget has to be balanced. As we are moving into fiscal year 2015, 2014 ended with a surplus. Our revenues are stable. I can't be more proud to represent the Town of Goffstown. The education system is something you should all be proud of. Your students will move on. It affects property values and the attitude about the town. Quality education means quality people. I applaud the Board and Administration of the schools. The kindergarten situation is wonderful. There will be an attempt to make kindergarten full day. The changes at MVMS are wonderful. The building and operation is wonderful. It is always a pleasure to be here. Keep doing good things for the Town. Thank you very much.

Moderator Raymond: This concludes the meeting. I want to thank the School Board and the Budget Committee for its work. Thank you for the members of the town government who showed up. Thank you to the Representatives. Please remember to vote on March 10. Don't forget to attend the high school musical.

P. Manney moved, seconded by D. French to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk

ELECTION RESULTS
GOFFSTOWN, NH SCHOOL DISTRICT
DELIBERATIVE SESSION
MARCH 10, 2015

ARTICLE 1

SCHOOL BOARD 3 for 3 years

Virginia “Ginny” McKinnon	1237
Keith Allard	1163
Lorry D. Cloutier	1127

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR 1 for 3 years

James Raymond	1374
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SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER 1 for 3 years

Lissa Winrow	716
Daniel J. Cloutier	660

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK 1 for 3 years

Jo Ann Duffy	1333
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ARTICLE 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations busy special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose set forth therein, totaling FORTY MILION ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$40,114,226.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be FORTY MILLION SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX DOLLARS (\$40,063,196.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required busy previous action of the Goffstown School District or busy law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend

Yes – 903

No – 710

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016 WARRANT
School Deliberative Ballot Determination Meeting
January 30, 2016
The State of New Hampshire**

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on Saturday, the Thirtieth day of January 2016, in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium, Goffstown High School at 10:00A.M. for the first session of the School District Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the Eighth day of March 2016, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls are open on March 8, 2016, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

Article 1

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years

Article 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY-NINE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$39,315,266.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY-NINE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$39,196,162.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

*The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 12-0-0 To Recommend*

Article 3

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2016-2017	\$677,771.00
2017-2018	(\$237,912.00)
2018-2019	\$724,992.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$677,771.00) for the 2016-2017 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$18,480.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-ONE DOLLARS (\$659,291.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.) The first year of the Collective Bargaining Agreement will have no tax impact because the district will use the 2.5% contingency fund.

*The School Board Voted 6-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 11-0-1 To Recommend*

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 21st DAY OF JANUARY 2016.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL BOARD

Dian McCarthy, Chair
Steven Dutton, Vice Chair
Keith Allard
Reta Chaffee
Lorry Cloutier
Dan Cloutier
Ginny McKinnon
Jenelle O'Brien
Heather Trzepacz

OCTOBER 1 PUPIL ENROLLMENT

2011-2015

School	Grade	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
BARTLETT	1	46	51	53	44	44
	2	50	43	55	51	39
	3	52	51	41	54	52
	4	43	51	51	43	56
Total - Bartlett		<u>191</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>191</u>
GLEN LAKE SCHOOL	Pre-School	53	58	57	54	59
	Kindergarten	127	118	118	110	114
Total - Glen Lake		<u>180</u>	<u>176</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>173</u>
MAPLE AVE	1	100	124	96	129	118
	2	110	101	128	95	120
	3	122	109	105	124	93
	4	129	121	110	106	122
Total - Maple Avenue		<u>461</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>439</u>	<u>454</u>	<u>453</u>
MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL	5	185	166	174	163	158
	6	149	184	170	179	164
	7	283	239	284	256	274
	8	281	283	245	279	267
Total - MVMS		<u>898</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>873</u>	<u>877</u>	<u>863</u>
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL	9	345	340	335	266	319
	10	309	297	297	319	245
	11	292	277	278	277	295
	12	245	260	262	259	252
Total - GHS		<u>1,191</u>	<u>1,174</u>	<u>1,172</u>	<u>1,121</u>	<u>1,111</u>
GRAND TOTAL 2011- 2015		2,921	2,873	2,859	2,808	2,791

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the School Board
Goffstown School District

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Goffstown School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District'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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Governmental Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 risk 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 (1) unqualified audit opinion on each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information; and (2) qualified audit opinion on the governmental activities.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities

Management of the Goffstown School District has not adopted *Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits*

Other Than Pensions (OPEB), and accordingly has not reported the related liability and expense on the government-wide financial statements, nor has the required supplementary information or *Schedule of Funding Progress* been included in these financial statements. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the net OPEB obligation be reported which would increase liabilities and expenses and decrease net position in the government-wide financial statements. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities and expenses, and net position of the government-wide financial statements is not reasonably determinable.

Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph on the governmental activities, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities for Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Opinion on Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2015, 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 on the following pages 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 it 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 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 of the financial statements that collectively comprise the Goffstown School District's basic financial statements. The combining schedule of nonmajor funds is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining schedule of nonmajor funds is the responsibility of management and is 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, schedule of nonmajor funds is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Governmental Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have issued our report dated December 18, 2015 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purposes of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Angell & Company LLC

Manchester, New Hampshire
December 18, 2015

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Goffstown School District ("District"), we offer readers of the District's Financial Statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the year ended June 30, 2015. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

1. Financial Highlights

- During the most recent fiscal year, the District implemented GASB Statement Nos 68 and 71, which require the District to record its related share of net pension liability of the New Hampshire Retirement System. The net pension liability is the District's proportionate share of the retirement system's actuarially determined unfunded pension liability less the system's net position. This amount is reported only on the government-wide financial statements and has no impact on the fund financial statements of the District. At the beginning of the most recent year, our net pension liability was \$23,635,207 (net of deferred inflows of resources), which restated our beginning net position by the same amount. At year-end the net pension liability is \$22,151,628.
- The assets of the District exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent year by \$1,160,983 (*net position*). Of this amount, \$(12,615,246) (*unrestricted net position*), had it been positive, may have been used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. The negative unrestricted net position is attributable to the impact of GASB Statement Nos 68 and 71 as noted above. There is no impact to the fund financials and the District's ability to meet its current obligations.
- The District's total net position changed by \$3,316,904.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$10,060,616, a change of \$2,240,800 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$7,307,423 is *available for spending* at the District Town Meeting's discretion.

2. Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the time of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g. uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

The governmental activities of the District include administration, instruction, support services, operations and maintenance, and transportation.

Fund Financial Statements. A *fund* is a group of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the District's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The District maintains five individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund and grants fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other three funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. *Fiduciary funds* are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statements, because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the District's own programs.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents *required supplementary information* that is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

3. **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,160,983 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The next largest portion of the District's net position (\$13,534,231) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is

still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although the District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The following is a summary of condensed statement of net position and statement of activities for government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

Goffstown School District's Condensed Statement of Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2015	2014
Current and other assets	\$ 10,258,950	\$ 8,432,041
Capital assets	19,563,839	20,927,646
Total assets	29,822,789	29,359,687
Deferred outflows of resources	2,343,362	-
Long-term liabilities outstanding	28,475,327	7,181,213
Other liabilities	306,845	699,188
Total liabilities	28,782,172	7,880,401
Deferred inflows of resources	2,222,996	-
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	13,534,231	14,011,334
Restricted	241,998	228,762
Unrestricted	(12,615,246)	7,239,190
Total net position	\$ 1,160,983	\$ 21,479,286

Goffstown School District's Condensed Statement of Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2015	2014
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for service	\$ 817,671	\$ 749,031
Operating grants and contributions	1,347,453	1,291,858
General revenues	36,884,303	36,540,766
Total revenues	39,049,427	38,581,655
Expenses:		
Administration	3,378,346	3,338,240
Instruction	24,086,435	24,421,710
Support services	3,615,109	3,684,383
Operation and maintenance	2,892,224	2,580,202

Goffstown School District's Condensed Statement of Net Position		
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Transportation	1,609,926	1,609,158
Interest expense	150,483	175,852
Total expenses	<u>35,732,523</u>	<u>35,809,545</u>
 Change in net position	 3,316,904	 2,772,110
 Net position - Beginning of year, as adjusted	 <u>(2,155,921)</u>	 <u>18,707,176</u>
 Net position - End of year	 \$ <u>1,160,983</u>	 \$ <u>21,479,286</u>

Note: The District implemented GASB Statement Nos 68 and 71, which required an adjustment to the beginning balance of the fiscal year. As a result, the District's net position has been adjusted to record the prior year pension liability of \$23,635,207. This adjustment has no impact on the District's fund basis financial statements.

An additional portion of the District's net position (\$241,998) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of *unrestricted net position* (\$12,615,246), if it were positive, may have been used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. As noted above, governmental activities changed the District's net position by \$3,316,904. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Fund	\$ 2,203,575
Nonmajor Funds	37,225
 Depreciation expense, net of capital asset purchases	 (1,363,807)
 Repayment of long-term debt	 857,514
 Change in net pension obligation, net of deferred resources	 1,603,945
 Other GAAP accruals	 <u>(21,548)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,316,904</u>

4. **Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the District's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$10,060,616, which is a change of \$2,240,800 in comparison with the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Fund	\$ 2,203,575
Nonmajor Funds	
School Food Service	7,920
Capital Project Fund	29,190
Permanent Trust Funds	<u>115</u>
Total	\$ <u>2,240,800</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the District. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$7,307,423, while total fund balance was \$9,524,527. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 76.72 percent of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 21.08 percent of that same amount.

As noted above, total fund balance of the general fund changed by \$2,203,575 during the current fiscal year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Revenue in excess of budget	\$ 325,071
Expenditures less than budget	1,682,772
Use of fund balance as a funding source	(559,232)
Change in encumbrances	494,964
Other	<u>260,000</u>
Total	\$ <u>2,203,575</u>

5. General Fund Budgetary Highlights

There is no change between the total original and total final budget.

6. Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The District's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2015, amounted to \$19,563,839 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and building improvements, machinery, equipment and furnishings, and infrastructure. The total change in the District's investment in total capital assets for the current year was \$(1,363,807).

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

	<u>Amount</u>
Capital asset additions:	
Bartlett Elementary – Floor Replacement	\$ 12,476
Maple Ave. – Boiler Replacement	81,657
2014 Kawasaki Mule	7,742
Depreciation expense	<u>(1,465,682)</u>
Total change in capital assets	<u>\$ (1,363,807)</u>

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

7. Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's financing for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Office of the Business Administrator, C/O SAU #19, 11 School Street, Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045.



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December 18, 2015

To the School Board
Goffstown School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Goffstown School District for the year ended June 30, 2015. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and OMB Circular A-133, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated December 18, 2015. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Goffstown School District are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Goffstown School District changed accounting policies related to pensions by adopting Statements of Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statements) Nos. 68 and 71 in 2015. Accordingly, the cumulative effect of the accounting changes as of the beginning of the year is reported in the fiscal year 2015 annual financial statements of the District. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate(s) affecting the District's financial statements are:

- Estimated lives and depreciation methods for depreciable assets,
- collectability of receivables,
- functional expense allocation, and

- net pension liability.

Management's estimate of the above is based on various criteria. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates and determined that is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 18, 2015.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the District's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as District's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We were engaged to report on Combining Schedule of Nonmajor Funds, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of The School Board and management of the District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Angell & Company LLC

December 18, 2015
Manchester, New Hampshire

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2016-2017 EXPENDITURE BUDGET

Function	2014 - 2015 Actual	2015 - 2016 Appropriation	2016 - 2017 Proposed Budget	Change from 2015-2016 Appropriation	% Change from 2015 -2016 Appropriation
1100-1199 Regular Education	15,471,294	16,361,330	15,922,829	(438,501)	-2.68%
1200-1299 Special Education	7,472,710	8,692,542	8,304,543	(387,999)	-4.46%
1300-1399 Vocational Programs	132,069	165,150	165,150	-	0.00%
1410 Co-Curricular	436,082	466,540	479,903	13,363	2.86%
1420 Athletics	189,065	201,410	227,476	26,066	12.94%
1430 Summer School Programs	29,613	37,044	35,750	(1,294)	-3.49%
1490 Other Pupil Services	<u>7,575</u>	<u>6,600</u>	<u>6,600</u>	-	0.00%
1400-1499	662,335	711,594	749,729	38,135	5.36%
1600 Adult Education Programs	73,311	82,947	85,173	2,226	2.68%
1810 Field Rental	-	-	-	-	
1600-1899	73,311	82,947	85,173	2,226	2.68%
2120 Guidance	1,152,620	1,202,051	1,183,721	(18,330)	-1.52%
2125 Guidance Records	14,806	14,240	14,285	45	0.32%
2130 Health Services	458,288	516,345	518,126	1,781	0.34%
2150 Speech Pathology and Audio	<u>498,353</u>	<u>519,918</u>	<u>505,048</u>	<u>(14,870)</u>	<u>-2.86%</u>
2000-2199	2,124,067	2,252,554	2,221,180	(31,374)	-1.39%
2212 Curriculum Development	5,519	9,050	9,050	-	0.00%
2213 Staff Development and Training	40,335	63,200	63,200	-	0.00%
2222 Information Center Services	534,622	566,346	590,992	24,646	4.35%
2223 Audio-Visual Services	1,681	3,300	3,300	-	0.00%
2224 Educational TV	-	-	-	-	
2290 Technical Support Services	<u>199,465</u>	<u>187,857</u>	<u>171,455</u>	<u>(16,402)</u>	<u>-8.73%</u>
2200-2299	781,622	829,753	837,997	8,244	0.99%
2311 School Board	42,775	51,571	47,900	(3,671)	-7.12%
2313 Treasurer	1,649	1,891	1,737	(154)	-8.14%
2314 District Meeting	3,259	4,484	6,483	1,999	44.58%
2317 Audit Services	5,500	5,500	5,500	-	0.00%
2318 Legal Services	<u>31,839</u>	<u>22,500</u>	<u>25,500</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>13.33%</u>
2310-2319	85,022	85,946	87,120	1,174	1.37%

Function		2014 - 2015 Actual	2015 - 2016 Appropriation	2016 - 2017 Proposed Budget	Change from 2015-2016 Appropriation	% Change from 2015 -2016 Appropriation
2321	SAU Services	1,286,506	1,292,489	1,513,206	220,717	17.08%
2410	Administration	2,211,736	2,440,796	2,375,390	(65,406)	-2.68%
2490	Other Student Support Services	<u>24,865</u>	<u>26,376</u>	<u>26,255</u>	<u>(121)</u>	<u>-0.46%</u>
2400:2499		2,236,601	2,467,172	2,401,645	(65,527)	-2.66%
2519	Other Fiscal Services	-	1,500	1,500	-	0.00%
2620	Building Operations	3,447,930	2,984,867	2,882,653	(102,214)	-3.42%
2630	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	32,047	34,350	37,000	2,650	7.71%
2640	Equipment Maintenance	<u>8,774</u>	<u>9,750</u>	<u>11,600</u>	<u>1,850</u>	<u>18.97%</u>
2600-2699		3,488,751	3,028,967	2,931,253	(97,714)	-3.23%
2721	Transportation	1,148,352	1,172,961	1,159,898	(13,063)	-1.11%
2722	Special Needs Transportation	516,729	639,583	615,972	(23,611)	-3.69%
2723	Skills Center Transportation	63,815	39,171	40,284	1,113	2.84%
2724	Athletic Program Transportation	81,444	72,720	89,350	16,630	22.87%
2725	Field Trip Transportation	14,691	23,560	21,380	(2,180)	-9.25%
2790	Other Transportation	<u>12,651</u>	<u>28,500</u>	<u>28,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
2700-2799		1,837,682	1,976,495	1,955,384	(21,111)	-1.07%
2800	Other Professional Services	1,550	1,610	1,610	-	0.00%
2834	GESS Course Reimbursement	<u>9,500</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
2800-2999		11,050	11,110	11,110	-	0.00%
4500	Building and Construction	182,246	-	-	-	
5110	Debt Service - Principal	620,000	615,000	605,000	(10,000)	-1.63%
5120	Debt Service - Interest	162,300	138,700	118,425	(20,275)	-14.62%
5251	Transfer to Capital Reserve	300,000	-	-	-	
5222	Transfer to Spec Rev Funds	203	-	-	-	
	Total General Fund	<u>36,927,769</u>	<u>38,713,249</u>	<u>37,911,244</u>	<u>(802,005)</u>	<u>-2.07%</u>
Fund 21	Food Service Fund	1,013,219	1,076,009	1,079,054	3,045	0.28%
Fund 22	Federal Grants Fund	1,143,589	324,968	324,968	-	0.00%
Fund 30	Capital Projects Fund	-	-	-	-	
	Total Goffstown School District	<u>39,084,577</u>	<u>40,114,226</u>	<u>39,315,266</u>	<u>(798,960)</u>	<u>-1.99%</u>

* Note: The proposed fiscal year 2016 - 2017 column equals the MS-27 operating budget posted with the warrant.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

PROJECTED REVENUES 2016-2017

	2014 - 2015 Approved MS-24	2015 - 2016 Approved MS-24	2016 - 2017 Estimated Revenues
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			
Adequacy Grant	6,692,847	7,099,784	6,938,808
School Building Aid	321,250	305,250	289,250
Kindergarten Construction Aid		-	-
Area Vocational School Transportation Aid		-	-
Kindergarten Bridging Aid		-	-
Catastrophic Aid	285,000	345,904	340,000
Child Nutrition	11,000	11,000	11,000
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			
Grant Programs	324,968	324,968	324,968
DOE / EdJobs Funding		-	-
Child Nutrition Programs	200,000	200,000	200,000
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES			
Reg Education Tuition	6,699,135	6,339,135	6,179,735
Special Education Tuition	325,000	3	325,000
Earnings on Investments	1,500	1,500	1,500
Food Service	659,500	713,000	710,000
Medicaid	250,000	373,000	350,000
Other Local Revenue		742,267	729,687
Other Income (Capital Projects Transfer)	81,975	-	-
SUBTOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	15,852,175	16,455,811	16,399,948
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Sale of Bonds			
Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			
GENERAL FUND BALANCE			
Reserved Fund Balance (2.5% Contingency)			
Unreserved Fund Balance	559,232	374,544	100,000
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	16,411,407	16,830,355	16,499,948
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	18,680,946	20,116,018	20,249,661
STATE ASSESSMENT	3,245,261	3,167,853	3,228,428
APPROPRIATION	38,337,614	40,114,226	39,978,037
Actual / Projected Local Tax Rate	\$13.96	\$14.99	\$15.01
Actual / Projected State Tax Rate	<u>\$2.50</u>	<u>\$2.42</u>	<u>\$2.35</u>
Total	\$16.46	\$17.41	\$17.36

Notes:

- FY 2016- 2017 appropriation number equals the School Board's Operating Fund Budget with CBA
- Projected revenues are estimates and are subject to change.
- Fiscal year 2016 - 2017 Total Appropriation includes special warrant articles / CBA
- MS-1 Valuations from Town received in 11/19/15 used for Tax Rate Calculations
- State tax rate update received on 12/7/15. Decrease by \$.075 from \$2.42 to \$2.35

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEBT SCHEDULE
AS OF JUNE 30, 2015

Years remaining on Goffstown School District's general obligation bonds.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
2015-16	615,000.00	138,700.00	753,700.00
2016-17	605,000.00	118,425.00	723,425.00
2017-18	590,000.00	101,463.00	691,463.00
2018-19	580,000.00	81,975.00	661,975.00
2019-20	570,000.00	58,974.00	628,974.00
2020-21	565,000.00	36,275.00	601,275.00
2021-22	555,000.00	12,488.00	567,488.00
Total Outstanding Bonds	\$4,080,000.00	\$548,300.00	\$4,628,300.00

<u>Bond</u>	<u>Last Payment</u>	<u>Principal Balance</u>	<u>Interest Balance</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Total Outstanding Bonds		\$4,080,000.00	\$548,300.00	\$4,628,300.00

*Notes:

The Goffstown High School Renovation Bond was refunded in November 2010 resulting in a savings of \$580,044 in interest cost over the life of the Bond.

GLEN LAKE SCHOOL

Leslie T. Doster, Principal

Glen Lake School opened in September 2014 with a notable absence and two new faces. Mrs. Kathleen Hon, one of our veteran kindergarten teachers, retired in June 2014. Mrs. Hon was a member of the faculty when we opened the school for the first time in the fall of 2006, and she helped to lay the groundwork for our early childhood program. We congratulate and thank Kathleen Hon on her lifetime of service to our youngest students. New faces to the school in September 2014 were Wendy Tefft – Kindergarten Teacher and Kimberly Ackles – Guidance Counselor.

True to our motto, *Glen Lake School is a great place to start!* During the 2014-2015 school year we continued to focus on our three core goals:

- To prepare each child for success in 1st grade.
- To foster in each child a lifelong love of learning.
- To spark in each child the belief that school is a wonderful place to be.

Professional development is one of the keys to continuous school improvement. Of particular note was the August 2014 training by renowned mathematician Dr. Mahesh C. Sharma. This training drove the mathematics professional development for the Glen Lake faculty throughout the 2014-2015 school year.

Analyzing our student data in June 2015, we were very pleased with the results. We discovered that 84% of Glen Lake School's kindergartners were entering 1st grade on or above grade expectation in the area of literacy. This was up from 76% in June 2014. In the area of mathematics 86% of students were entering 1st grade on or above grade expectation. This was also up slightly from June 2014. Congratulations to our students on a job well done.

Learning about citizenship and building character is another important aspect of the program at Glen Lake School. We use real world experiences to teach our students about giving back to the community. In 2014-2015 Glen Lake students collected over 1,000 non-perishable food items for the Network Food Pantry.

As always Glen Lake School recognized parents as full partners in their child's education. In order to enhance the home and school relationship the staff provided the following curriculum-oriented family events. Before the first day of school in September the staff welcomed all families with an Open House. In late September each classroom hosted a Parent Information Night focusing on curriculum and instruction. In November Glen Lake held a Family Literacy Night, which was attended by approximately 300 people. In December parents attended parent-teacher conferences, and in April we had another fantastic turn out for Family Math and Science Night. In May teachers welcomed incoming kindergarten parents with a kindergarten orientation evening, and in June we celebrated with our families as we prepared to transition their children to new classrooms and new schools

During 2014-2015 parents supported the school by working as volunteers at the Fall and Harvest Theme Day in October, the Winter Wonderland Theme Day in December and Field Day in June. Parents provided additional support throughout the year as office volunteers preparing instructional materials for the classrooms. Glen Lake School Partnership, our parent group, provided financial support by purchasing classroom supplies and equipment, student snacks on special theme days, and by bringing assemblies to the school to enrich instruction. Our philosophy at Glen Lake School is that the education of our students is a shared commitment. By bringing together dedicated teachers with high expectations, involved parents and enthusiastic learners - we walk the talk. *Glen Lake School is a great place to start.*

BARTLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

David A. Bousquet, Principal

“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.” – Chinese Proverb

At Bartlett Elementary School we aim to teach the whole child, academically, socially and in a caring environment. Our goal is to begin each child’s journey as a lifelong learner. To help reach this goal, most staff members participated in professional development opportunities that were made available through the SAU Office. During the summer of 2014, some of these include math workshops from Dr. Sharma, an introduction to the revised Everyday Math program, and induction sessions for staff members new to the district. Bartlett Elementary School opened in September with several additions to our staff:

Caitlin Johnston – Grade 1 Teacher	Madeline Guba – Speech Pathologist
Kimberly Ackles – Guidance Counselor	Chris Albertson – Music
Michael Engelsen – Technology	

Also, Brigid McNamee returned as our library/media specialist. Also, we were pleased that Erin Chabot and Amanda Fournier both returned to Bartlett this year as special education paraeducators.

There weren’t many changes in enrollment. The school year began with the following enrollment figures: Grade 1 (44), Grade 2 (53), Grade 3 (55) and Grade 4 (41) for a total of 193 students.

Bartlett Elementary School’s goals for the 2014-2015 school year were:

1. To develop a Leadership team structure, which establishes and monitors specific plans for implementing and supporting instructional practices that increase teaching effectiveness and advances student achievement.
2. To improve student literacy and mathematics achievement by developing and implementing a multi-tiered approach to instruction and intervention which will ensure high quality instruction based on student data.
3. To enhance the behavioral climate of the school in order to improve students learning.

Some of the strategies we used to meet our goals included:

- Consistent implementation of our core literacy and math programs, Reading Streets and Everyday Math and a variety of intervention programs, including My Sidewalks, Number Worlds and Leveled Literacy Intervention.
- Implementing reading incentive programs. This year, every student and staff member received a copy of the book Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary. Students completed numerous activities based on the book.
- Grade level teams had weekly common planning time to review student data and to plan instruction.
- The RTI (Response to Intervention) team met with each grade level to discuss student progress and students who may need accommodations and/or support services.
- Appropriate behavioral expectations were modeled and taught at All-School Meetings. Children who are “caught” displaying these targeted positive behaviors are recognized with a special PBIS sticker.
- Students were taught Whole Body Listening and Social Thinking (Expected vs. Unexpected Behavior).
- For 45 minutes each month, students were be mixed up into small groups to participate in special enrichment activities. This was a community building activity organized in part by the PBIS team.

In March, Bartlett Elementary School held its first STEAM Night. About 130 students attended this evening dedicated to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Music activities.

In the spring of 2015, students in grades three and four participated in the Smarter Balanced assessment program. The SBAC is a computerized assessment of academic skills in the areas of English Language Arts and Math. The results, released in the fall of 2015, will provide a review of student progress and help the school measure its progress in reaching curriculum goals.

Because of its dedicated, caring, and professional staff and the support from our families and the community, positive things continue to happen at Bartlett. I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard to help make us a wonderful learning community for our students.

MAPLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Suzanne Pyszka, Principal

“A Community of Active Learners”

Maple Avenue educators are committed to ensuring a strong start and promoting a bright future for all students. Our talented staff work hard to provide high quality instruction in the areas of literacy, mathematics, science, and social studies in grades one through four. The school's collaborative working environment elevates learning and advances student achievement, which is confirmed each year by the local and state testing results.

As an effective way to support educators with the best tools and the most current information, the Goffstown School District provides continuous professional development for its employees and supports graduate advancement. During the summer, a district-wide math workshop with Dr. Sharma, from the Center of Teaching/Learning Mathematics was held along with ongoing math meetings at the school level throughout the year. Our master plan for professional development deepens educators' content knowledge, provides them with instructional strategies to assist students in meeting rigorous academic standards and prepares them to use various types of assessments. We also continue to provide an on-site induction process for our beginning teachers with daily mentoring and weekly guidance and feedback on their teaching practices.

The safety of our students and staff is a priority at Maple Avenue Elementary School. We provide a secure working environment and practice safety procedures routinely. We work closely with the Goffstown Police and Fire Departments who share their expertise and assist us with safety measures.

We have student leaders, our Student Council, made up of third and fourth grade students, lead the student body in making a positive impact within their community. This year they collected thousands of food items for the Goffstown food pantry, participated in the Toys for Tots, created a “Wall of Heroes” as a way to honor military families, and collected donations for children with cancer through the organization “Pennies For Patients”. The Student Council also promoted school spirit by organizing monthly school spirit days such as pajama day, sports day, and stuffed animal day.

We value our volunteers! A very special thank you to the Parent/Faculty Together (PFT) who donated thousands of hours of their time at Maple Avenue in the 2014 – 2015 school year. This wonderful group provides financial support for field trips, special events, projects and supplies. Our community is fortunate to have such generous people willing to donate their time and talents!

In closing, I would like to recognize three professionals who retired at the end of the school year: Patricia Packard, a phenomenal classroom teacher for 27 years at Maple Avenue, Lisa Plourde, a cherished art educator for 27 years, and Cheryl Brown, a dedicated classroom teacher for 22 years at Maple Avenue Elementary School. The students, their families and the school staff will miss them.

MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

*ACCREDITED MEMBER OF
THE NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES*

Wendy Hastings, Principal

The 2014-2015 school year at Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) continued to be a year dedicated to elevating student achievement- one of our primary missions. MVMS standardized assessment results provided our community with concrete feedback that we have indeed advanced student academic performance in the key areas of mathematics and language arts.

In addition to standardized assessments, MVMS students demonstrated their outstanding mathematics ability for a sixth consecutive year in the New England Mathematics League Math Contest. The 6th grade students placed 4nd in the state!

MVMS continues to utilize Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS). This school-wide initiative encourages a consistent, positive climate across all classroom setting focusing on the components of “Paws Pride”: Respect, Responsibility, Community and Pride. This program is a proactive systems approach to establishing the behavioral supports and social culture for all students to have the opportunity to achieve social, emotional and academic success and continues to be the backbone of our community.

Throughout the 2014-2015 School Year, our talented MVMS students demonstrated individual, ensemble, and team distinctive accomplishments including:

- Geography Bee Winner: Dylan Williams
- Spelling Bee Winner: Thaddeus Hagner
- Various Community fundraisers including the canned food drive (3000 cans), and \$1000 dollars raised for the Liberty House
- Destination Imagination: 5 MVMS teams qualified for the NH Regional Tournament, with 2 teams moving on to participate in Globals.
- Grades 7/8 Grade Chorus and Orchestra received an “A” rating at the NHMEA Large Group Music F
- 11 MVMS musicians were selected to participate in the NHMEA Middle School District Festival Band
- Cross Country: Griffin Hansen and Ava Hansen named MVMS Runners of the Year
- Wrestling: Emileo Barriere placed 5th in the State Championship
- Spirit: 2nd place at the Tri-County Championship
- Boys Soccer “A” Team: Division 5 State Champions
- Boys Basketball “A” Division 2 State Champions
- Girls Basketball “A” Division 2 State Champions
- Girls Softball Team: Division 2 State Champions
- Boys and Girls Lacrosse: Undefeated Seasons

The accomplishments outlined above reflect the hard-work and dedication of our remarkable staff working with our students to help nurture them and challenge them to work hard and “love their story”.

GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Francis J. McBride, Principal



U.S. News and World Report named Goffstown High School the fourth best high school in the state of New Hampshire and in the top 6% nationally. U.S. News analyzed 21,035 public high schools in 49 states and the District of Columbia, and Goffstown High School ranked 1,215th. A three-step process determined the Best High Schools. The first two steps used performance on state proficiency tests as benchmarks to ensure that GHS meets the needs of all students and the third step assessed how well students are prepared for college-level work.

In addition to our U.S. News and World Report recognition, Goffstown High School students earned numerous accolades and awards. I will share a few of the highlights:

- GHS Musician Stuart Goldstein received the highest score in the state for viola at the All-State competition.
- Jessica Wallace was awarded a gold medal in the National Scholastic Art Award program for her digital drawing “The Last Train Home”. This category had nearly 10,000 entries and is one of the most competitive categories of this prestigious nationally recognized competition.
- Two GHS students took home Winter Track Division II State Championships: Michele Tremblay – 300 meter and Brooke Simmons – Long Jump.
- Three GHS students took home Division II Wrestling State Championships: Connor Bourque, Jacob Nault and Peter Shea.
- Michele Tremblay was named First Team All-State and All New England in Girls Soccer.

Thank you to the Goffstown community for your support of the GHS Performing Arts production of “The Wizard of Oz.” Special thanks to Robbie Grady, the Goffstown Main Street Program, and the business community. It is undeniable that the collaborative efforts between Goffstown High School staff and students, area businesses and non-profits, the Main Street Program and the library went a long way toward our success.

Thank you all for your continued support of the great and important work occurring at Goffstown High School. Your continued commitment to providing us the resources to maintain and surpass our current level of success is appreciated. I can promise you that we will continue to provide quality educational opportunities for our students while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

I feel fortunate and proud to be a part of Goffstown High School during this very successful period.

GOFFSTOWN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY

FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE	911
POLICE	911
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND POISON CENTER	800-222-1222

TOWN HALL 497-8990

Admin/Selectmen	Ext. 100	Planning	117
Assessor	112	Sewer	116
Building	114	Tax Collector	110
Finance	104	Town Clerk	107

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire (Church St. – Station 18)	497-3619	Police	497-4858
Fire (Pinardville – Station 19)	622-6713	Public Works	497-3617
Library	497-2102	Transfer Station	497-4824
Parks & Recreation	497-3003		

SCHOOLS

Glen Lake School	497-3550	Mt. View Middle	497-8288
Bartlett Elementary	497-2210	Goffstown High	497-4841
Maple Ave. Elementary	497-3330	SAU #19 Admin.	497-4818

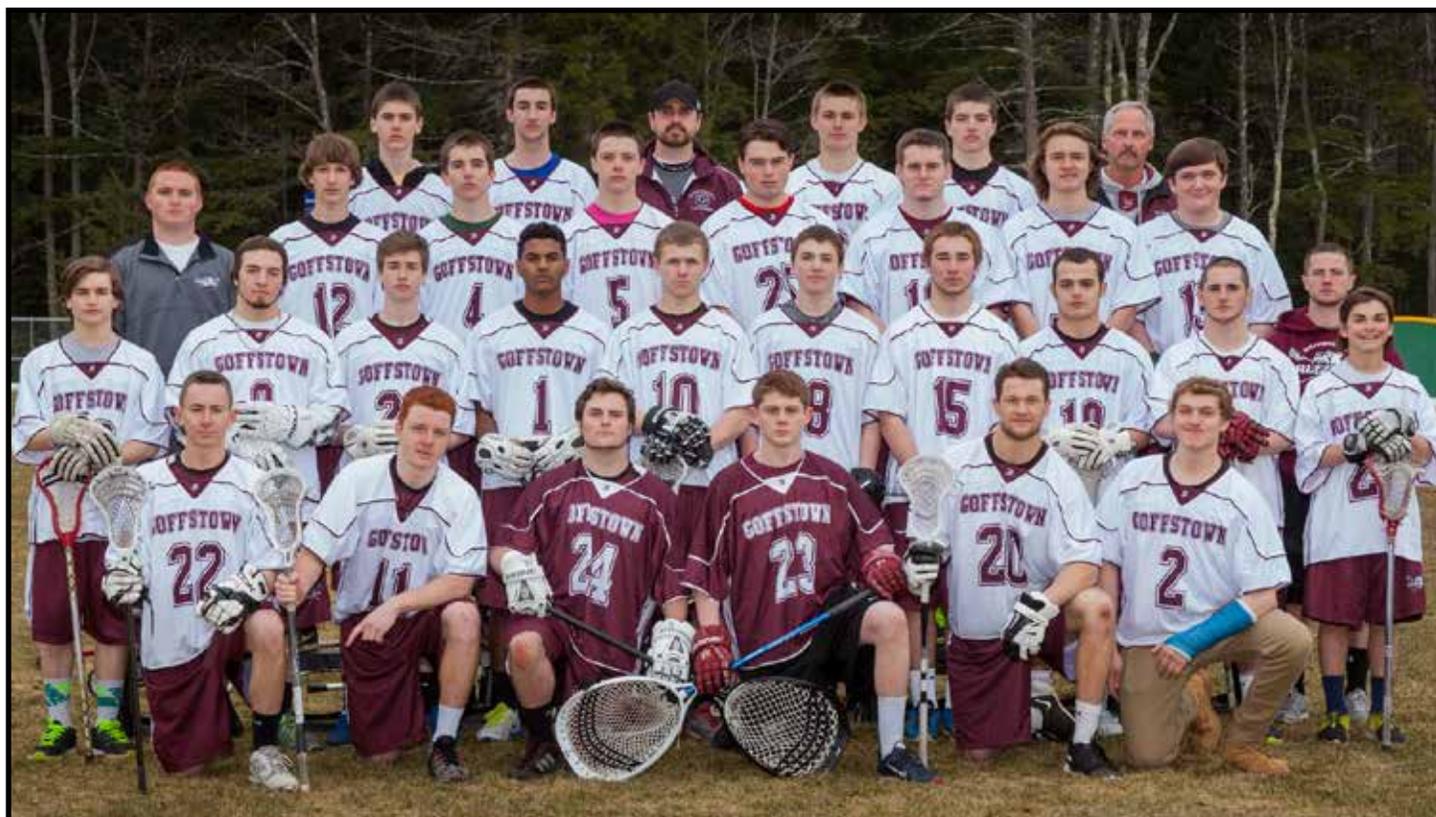
VILLAGE DISTRICTS

Goffstown Water	497-3621	Grasmere Water	497-8346
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**2015
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL**



**FOOTBALL
DIVISION I STATE CHAMPIONS**



**LACROSSE
DIVISION II STATE CHAMPIONS**